A person with a beard and a hat

AI-generated content may be incorrect.**Henri de Toulouse-Lautrec**

**Famous for:** Colourful posters, paintings of dancers, singers, and life in Paris.

**🧒 Childhood**

* Henri was born in France in 1864 to a noble family.
* As a child, he had fragile bones and broke both legs, which didn’t heal properly.
* Because of his condition, he didn’t grow very tall and used a cane.
* He loved to draw animals and people from a young age.

A person sitting in front of a table

AI-generated content may be incorrect.**🎓 Education**

* Henri took drawing lessons as a teenager to improve his skills.
* In 1882, he studied at the **Atelier of Léon Bonnat** in Paris.
* When that closed, he joined the **Studio of Fernand Cormon**, where he learned to draw from real life.
* At Cormon’s studio, he met other young artists like **Émile Bernard** and **Vincent van Gogh**. This is his painting of van Gogh.

**🎭 Career**

* Henri became known for painting and drawing life in Montmartre — a busy, fun part of Paris.
* He created posters of famous performers like dancers at the Moulin Rouge. He made most of his income from these posters
* His style used bright colours, bold lines, and captured movement.
* Though he died young, his artwork became very famous and is still loved today.

**🎨 Art**

A poster of a group of women dancing

AI-generated content may be incorrect.He was most famous for the posters he created of dancing girls. The "La Troupe de Mademoiselle Églantine" poster by Henri de Toulouse-Lautrec advertised a London performance at the Palace Theatre of Varieties in 1896. It was designed to promote the appearance of the Troupe of Mademoiselle Églantine, a French can-can dance troupe.

A cat with its mouth open

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Side-saddle The cat

A painting of a person riding a horse

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*Equestrienne (At the Cirque Fernando)*

**💬 Quotes from Toulouse-Lautrec**

* “I paint things as they are. I don’t comment.”
* “I have tried to do what is true and not ideal.”
* “A professional model is like a stuffed owl. These girls are alive.”