### **Andy Warhol**

# What Did Andy Warhol Create?

Andy Warhol was a **pop artist** who made **bright**, **colourful pictures** of everyday things like **soup cans**, **celebrities**, **and comic strips**. He used a method called **screen printing** to repeat the same image over and over in different colours.



# Childhood

- Born on 6 August 1928 in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, USA.
- His real name was Andrew Warhola.
- His parents were Slovakian immigrants.
- As a child, he had a nervous system disorder called Sydenham's chorea, which kept him in bed for long periods.
- While sick, he spent time drawing, reading comics, and listening to the radio.
- His mother encouraged his love of art and gave him drawing materials.
- He liked to collect pictures of movie stars and cut them out.

# Education

- Attended Holmes Elementary School, then Schenley High School.
- Took free art classes at the Carnegie Museum of Art.
- Studied commercial art at Carnegie Institute of Technology (now Carnegie Mellon University) from 1945 to 1949.
- Learned how to design advertisements and use printing techniques.
- Was trained in drawing, painting, and graphic design.

#### **Career**

- Moved to New York City in 1949 and began working as a commercial illustrator.
- Created drawings for fashion magazines, ads, and shoe companies.
- In the 1960s, became a leading figure in **Pop Art** by turning products and celebrities into art.
- Founded his own studio called **The Factory**, where many artists and friends helped him make art.
- Made over 60 films, including Sleep and Empire.
- Survived a gunshot in 1968 by a woman who had once worked with him.
- Created a magazine called **Interview**, focusing on art, fashion, and celebrity culture.
- Continued making art and appearing in public until his death in 1987.

# Quotes from Andy Warhol:

- "Everyone will be famous for 15 minutes."
- "Art is what you can get away with."
- "I just paint things I always thought were beautiful."



# **Campbell's Soup Cans**



**Marilyn Diptych** 



Grevy's Zebra



**Flowers** 

