

The Story of European Art

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Autumn Term

Courses 1, 4, 7

Spring Term

Courses 2, 5, 8

Summer Term

Courses 3, 6, 9



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Term Dates

2026-27

Academic Year

The Story of European Art: 500BCE to 1250 (Tuesdays)

	Starts	Ends
Antique to Early Christian	29 September 2026	1 December 2026
Early Middle Ages	19 January 2027	23 March 2027
Romanesque to Gothic	27 April 2027	29 June 2027

The Story of European Art: 1250 to 1650 (Wednesdays)

	Starts	Ends
Late Medieval	30 September 2026	2 December 2026
Early Renaissance	20 January 2027	24 March 2027
High Renaissance to Baroque	28 April 2027	30 June 2027

The Story of European Art: 1650 to 1935 (Thursdays)

	Starts	Ends
Baroque to Rococo	1 October 2026	3 December 2026
Neoclassical to Impressionism	21 January 2027	25 March 2027
Post-Impressionism to Surrealism	29 April 2027	1 July 2027