# The Golden Age in the British Painting

#### Mykola Kornylovych Pymonenko



Мукоla Kornylovych Pymonenko (Ukrainian: Микола Корнилович Пимоненко), sometimes spelled Pimonenko (Russian: Николай Корнилович Пимоненко, Nikolay Kornilovich Pimonenko ) (March 9, 1862, Kiev – March 26, 1912, Kiev) was a Ukrainian painter. One of the most eminent Ukrainian genre painters Pymonenko was widely acclaimed in the Russian Empire; A member of the Imperial Academy of Arts since 1904 and of a progressive Peredvizhniki artistic movement and the turn of the century.

A number of Pimonenko's paintings are, in fact, generalized portraits which are the embodiment of a popular ideal of the working man. The artist also turned to the theme of peasant labour, depicting typical scenes from everyday life against the backdrop of a landscape.

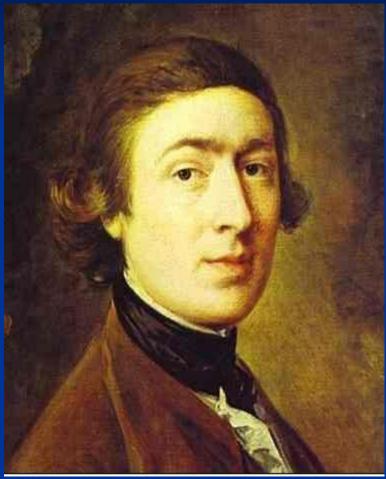
Pymonenko created illustrations for several of Taras Shevchenko's poems. In total, he produced over 700 genre scenes, landscapes, and portraits. Pymonenko also took part in the painting of the murals in Saint Volodymyr's Cathedral in Kiev.

#### Victim of Fanaticism

Easter morning prayer in Little Russia

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### **Thomas Gainsborough**



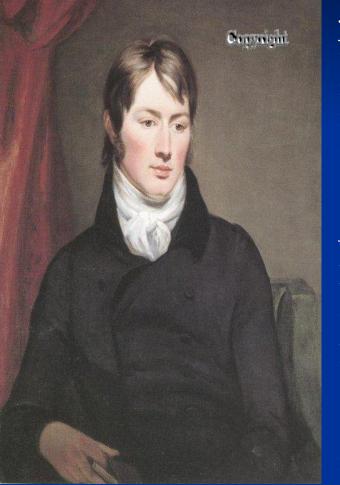
Thomas Gainsborough was born in Sudbury, Suffolk, the youngest son of John Gainsborough, a weaver and maker of woollen goods, and his wife, the sister of the Reverend Humphry Burroughs.[1] When he was 13 he impressed his father with his drawing skills and he was allowed to go to London to study art in 1740.

He was an English portrait and landscape painter. He was the youngest son of John Gainsborough, a weaver in Suffolk, and, in 1740, left home to study art in London with Hubert Gravelot, Francis Hayman, and William Hogarth. In 1746, he married Margaret Burr, and they became parents of two daughters. He moved to Bath in 1759 where fashionable society patronised him, and he began exhibiting in London. In 1769, he became a founding member of the Royal Academy, but his relationship with the organization was thorny and he sometimes withdrew his work from exhibition. Gainsborough moved to London in 1774, and painted portraits of the king and queen, but the king was obliged to name as royal painter Gainsborough's rival Joshua Reynolds. In his last years, Gainsborough painted relatively simple landscapes and is credited (with Richard Wilson) as the originator of the 18th century British landscape school. Gainsborough died of cancer in 1788 and is interred at St. Anne's Church, Kew, Surrey. He painted quickly and his later pictures are characterised by a light palette and easy strokes. He preferred landscapes to portraits. Cecil Kellaway portrayed Gainsborough in the 1945 film Kitty.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Andrews



## John Constable



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Boat-building near Flatford Mill 1815

Salisbury Cathedral from the Bishop's Grounds

1825.

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# William Hogarth



- William Hogarth (10 November 1697 26 October 1764) was an English painter, printmaker, pictorial satirist, social critic, and editorial cartoonist who has been credited with pioneering western sequential art. His work ranged from realistic portraiture to comic strip-like series of pictures called "modern moral subjects". Knowledge of his work is so pervasive that satirical political illustrations in this style are often referred to as "Hogarthian".
- William Hogarth was born at Bartholomew Close in London to Richard Hogarth, a poor Latin school teacher and textbook writer, and Anne Gibbons. In his youth he was apprenticed to the engraver Ellis Gamble in Leicester Fields, where he learned to engrave trade cards and similar products. Young Hogarth also took a lively interest in the street life of the metropolis and the London fairs, and amused himself by sketching the characters he saw. Around the same time, his father, who had opened an unsuccessful Latin-speaking coffee house at St John's Gate, was imprisoned for debt in Fleet Prison for five years. Hogarth never spoke of his father's imprisonment.[citation needed]
- Hogarth became a member of the Rose and Crown Club, with Peter Tillemans, George Vertue, Michael Dahl, and other artists and connoisseurs
- Died 26 October 1764 (aged 66)
- London, England

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