A Comprehensive History of Social and Political Protest Graphics

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Social and political protest graphics have a long and rich history, dating back to ancient times. These graphics have been used to express dissent, raise awareness, and mobilize people for change.

Early History

Some of the earliest examples of social and political protest graphics can be found in ancient Egypt. These graphics were often used to satirize the ruling class or to express discontent with the government. For example, the "Tale of the Eloquent Peasant" is a satirical story that tells the tale of a peasant who takes his case to the pharaoh after being mistreated by a corrupt official.

In ancient Greece, protest graphics were often used to criticize the government or to promote political change. For example, the "Ostrakon of

Themistocles" is a piece of pottery that was used to vote to exile the Athenian statesman Themistocles.

In ancient Rome, protest graphics were often used to express discontent with the government or to promote social change. For example, the "Graffiti of Pompeii" is a collection of graffiti that was found on the walls of buildings in Pompeii. This graffiti includes messages that criticize the government, promote social change, and express personal beliefs.

Middle Ages

During the Middle Ages, social and political protest graphics were often used to express religious dissent or to promote social change. For example, the "Biblia Pauperum" is a collection of illustrated Bibles that was used to teach the Bible to the poor. This book includes images that criticize the Church and promote social change.

During the Protestant Reformation, social and political protest graphics were often used to promote religious reform. For example, the "Ninety-Five Theses" is a document that was written by Martin Luther. This document criticized the Catholic Church and promoted the Protestant Reformation.

Early Modern Period

During the early modern period, social and political protest graphics were often used to promote political change. For example, the "Declaration of Independence" is a document that was written by Thomas Jefferson. This document declared the independence of the United States from Great Britain.

During the American Revolution, social and political protest graphics were often used to promote the cause of independence. For example, the "Join, or Die" cartoon is a political cartoon that was created by Benjamin Franklin. This cartoon depicts a snake that has been cut into pieces. The caption reads, "Join, or Die." This cartoon was used to promote the cause of American independence.

Modern Period

In the modern period, social and political protest graphics have been used to promote a wide range of causes. For example, social and political protest graphics have been used to promote the abolition of slavery, the women's suffrage movement, the civil rights movement, and the anti-war movement.

Social and political protest graphics have also been used to promote a wide range of political ideologies. For example, social and political protest graphics have been used to promote communism, socialism, anarchism, and fascism.

Contemporary Period

In the contemporary period, social and political protest graphics continue to be used to promote a wide range of causes and political ideologies. For example, social and political protest graphics have been used to promote the environmental movement, the LGBTQ rights movement, the Black Lives Matter movement, and the anti-Trump movement.

Social and political protest graphics have a long and rich history. These graphics have been used to express dissent, raise awareness, and

mobilize people for change. Social and political protest graphics continue to be an important tool for promoting social and political change.

Here are some additional examples of social and political protest graphics:

- The "Guernica" painting by Pablo Picasso is a protest against the bombing of the Basque town of Guernica by the German Luftwaffe during the Spanish Civil War.

- The "Rosa Parks" poster by Shepard Fairey is a protest against the arrest of Rosa Parks for refusing to give up her seat on a bus to a white man in Montgomery, Alabama.

- The "Black Power" fist is a symbol of the Black Power movement. This symbol was first used by the Black Panther Party in the 1960s.

- The "Occupy" sign is a symbol of the Occupy movement. This symbol was first used by the Occupy Wall Street movement in 2011.

- The "Me Too" hashtag is a symbol of the Me Too movement. This hashtag was first used by Tarana Burke in 2006.

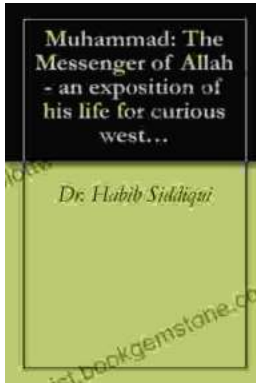**Protest!: A History of Social and Political Protest Graphics** by Charles Moore

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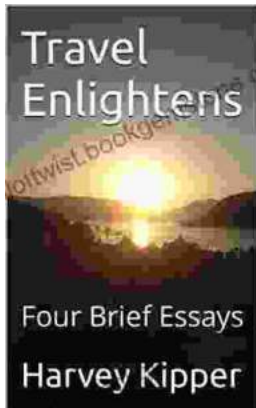|	
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