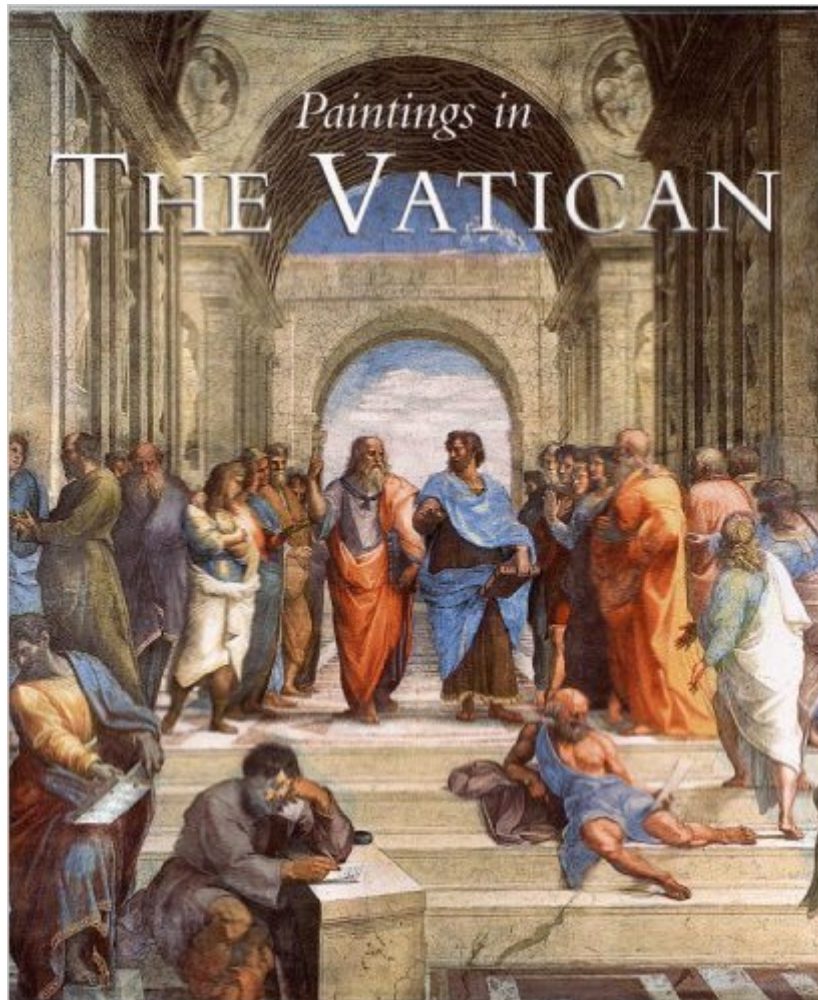


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This is an enormous book with hundreds of paintings excellently reproduced. There are many full page images. Those that are not are still quite large. There are many more images than text, which for me is how a book of art should be. Each chapter has several pages of introduction followed by many pages of images. The book notes that particular attention is given to the most splendid years of the High Renaissance. Chapters are:- History of the Collections- From the Year 1000 to the Thirteenth Century- The Twelfth and Thirteenth Centuries- The Fourteenth Centuries- The Fifteenth Centuries: Paintings- The Fifteenth Centuries: Frescoes- The Sixteenth Centuries: Paintings- The Sixteenth Centuries: Frescoes- The Seventeenth Centuries: Paintings- The Seventeenth Centuries: Frescoes- The Eighteenth Centuries: Paintings- The Eighteenth Centuries: Frescoes- Biographies

The paintings in this book are incredible. The collection ranges from the years 1000 to the mid 1800s and includes works from Daddi to Michelangelo and Raphael to Crosato. Oils, Frescos and incredible color! I have enjoyed reading this as much as looking at the beautiful artwork.

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