FAMOUS TURKISH ARTIST



OSMAN HAMDİ BEY, THE FAMOUS TURKISH ARTIST

Osman Hamdi Bey was an intellectual, art expert and also a prominent and pioneering Turkish artist. He was born in 1842 in Istanbul and died in 1910.

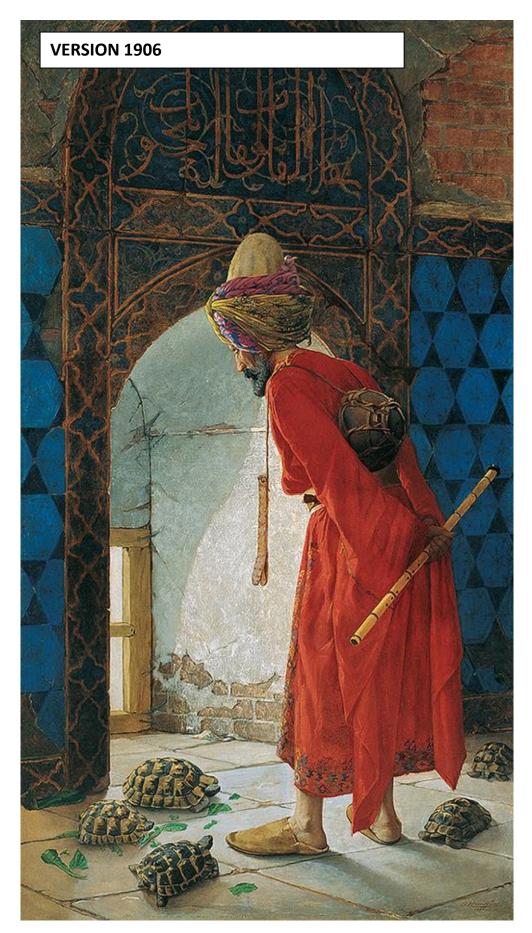
Hamdi Bey founded the Archaeological Museum of Istanbul and became its director in 1881. His taste and energy did much to establish the reputation of the museum

He continued painting while dealing with museum activities. He is a successful representative of Turkish painting with his figured compositions painted with Oriental understanding. His pictures are part of various collections and are on display in national and international museums. He gave importance to details while reflecting the colorful scenes of Ottoman life. Even tiny details were painted in their true colors. His pictures, such as "The Reading Man", "The Musician Girl", "Turtle Trainer" and "Ladies taking a Walk ", reflect the life and details of Ottoman Istanbul.

Osman Hamdi Bey, who died in 1910, made the greatest contribution to Turkish art history as the founder of the School of Fine Arts and Istanbul Archeology Museum in addition to as a famous painter.

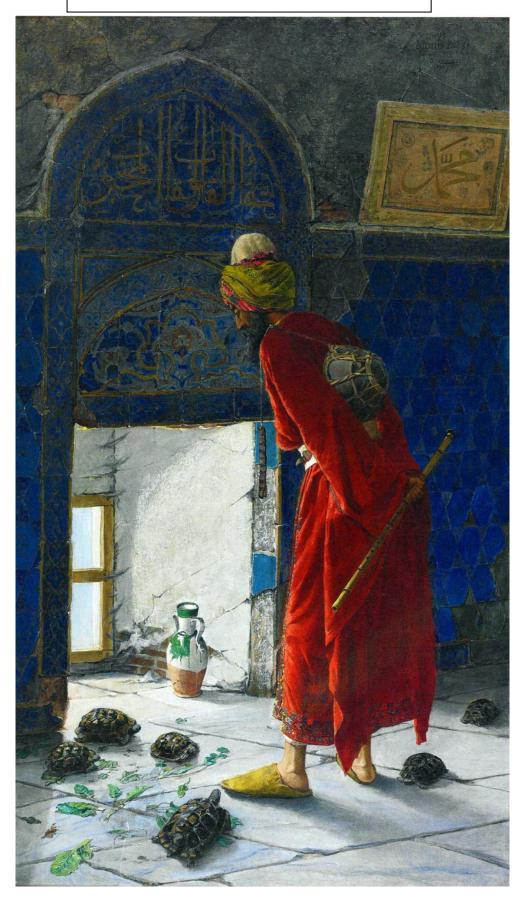
In his famous work, "The Turtle Trainer" there are two different versions of the Turtle Trainer, 1906 and 1907. The main difference between the two versions is that in version 1906 there are five turtles, in version 1907 there are six turtles.







VERSION 1907





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