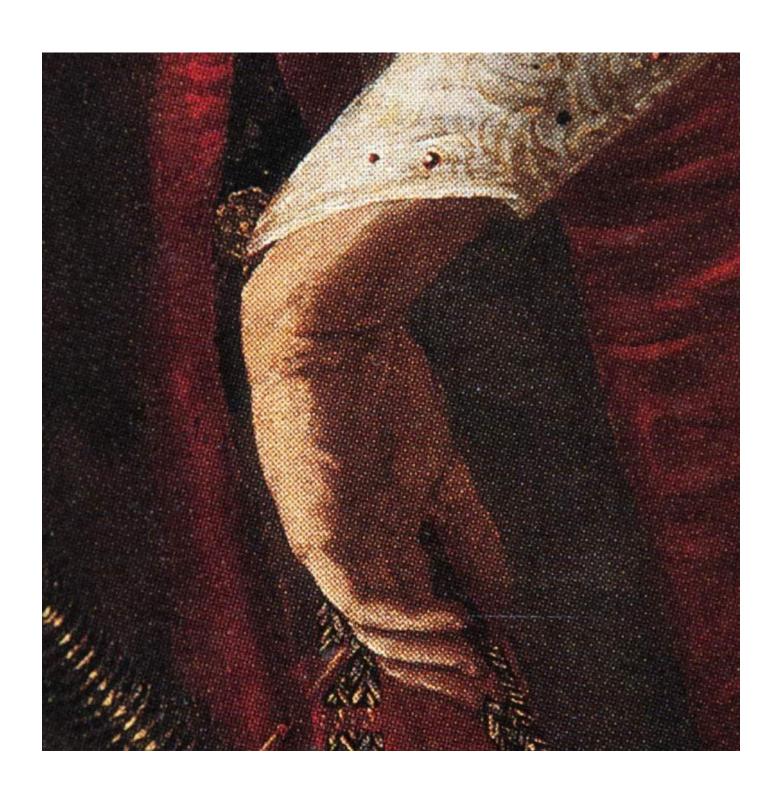
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Leise Fuch

After 17th century military operations by the Ottoman Empire in Europe ceased, Turquerie, a trend that impacted architecture, dance, music, fashion and art, became fashionable as western aristocracy started to view the Ottoman Empire as a mysterious place with unknown treasures. Various publications and prints of iconic oriental paintings created an image that still defines the look of orientalism. The collection of Turquerie paintings in the Vurberk gallery, now at the castle of Ptuj, Slovenia, is an outstanding example of this trend. For Westermeier this collection of 47 paintings, showing Ottoman nobleman, pashas, dignitaries and their families, played a key role in the discussion of "Leise Fuchs". From a western perspective, anything east of Europe is viewed as oriental, thus the collection also contains case studies about different cultures associated with orientalism such as Greek, Jewish, Persian, Oriental, African, Indian, Chinese men and women.





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