

# Unveiling the Portrait of Patron Family Vienna 1900: A Window into the Gilded Age

## A Glimpse into the Opulent World of Viennese Elite

"Portrait of Patron Family Vienna 1900" is a captivating visual journey into the opulent world of Vienna's elite at the turn of the 20th century. Through stunning photographs and archival documents, the book offers an intimate glimpse into the lives of the families who commissioned some of the most iconic works of art of the Wiener Werkstätte movement.



### Good Living Street: Portrait of a Patron Family, Vienna

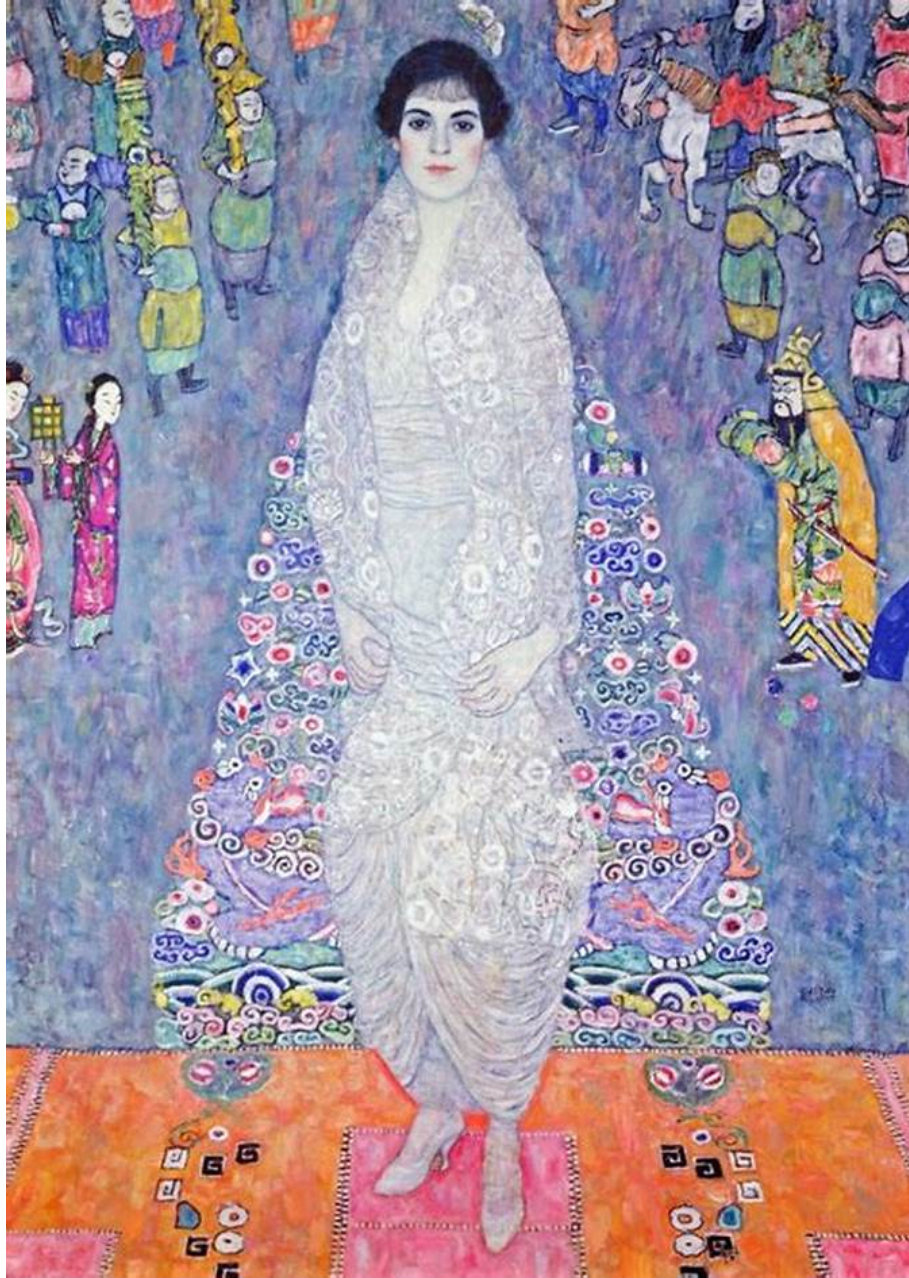
**1900** by Tim Bonyhady

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At the heart of this fascinating volume lie the portraits of the patrons who supported the Wiener Werkstätte, an influential collective of artists and designers whose work shaped Viennese Art Nouveau. Among them were prominent figures such as Fritz and Adele Wärndorfer, patrons of Gustav Klimt and Egon Schiele, and Otto and Adele Primavesi, for whom Josef Hoffmann designed the iconic Palais Stoclet.



## **Exploring the Creative Patronage and Artistic Achievements**

Beyond the portraits, the book delves into the creative patronage and artistic achievements that characterized the Viennese elite. Through letters, diaries, and photographs, it reveals the close relationships between patrons and artists and the profound impact these families had on the development of Viennese art and design.

Case studies explore specific collaborations, such as the design of the Stoclet House by Josef Hoffmann for the Primavesi family and the creation of the controversial "Beethoven Frieze" by Gustav Klimt for the Palais Stoclet. These examples shed light on the complex interplay of taste, ambition, and artistic vision that shaped the creative landscape of Vienna 1900.

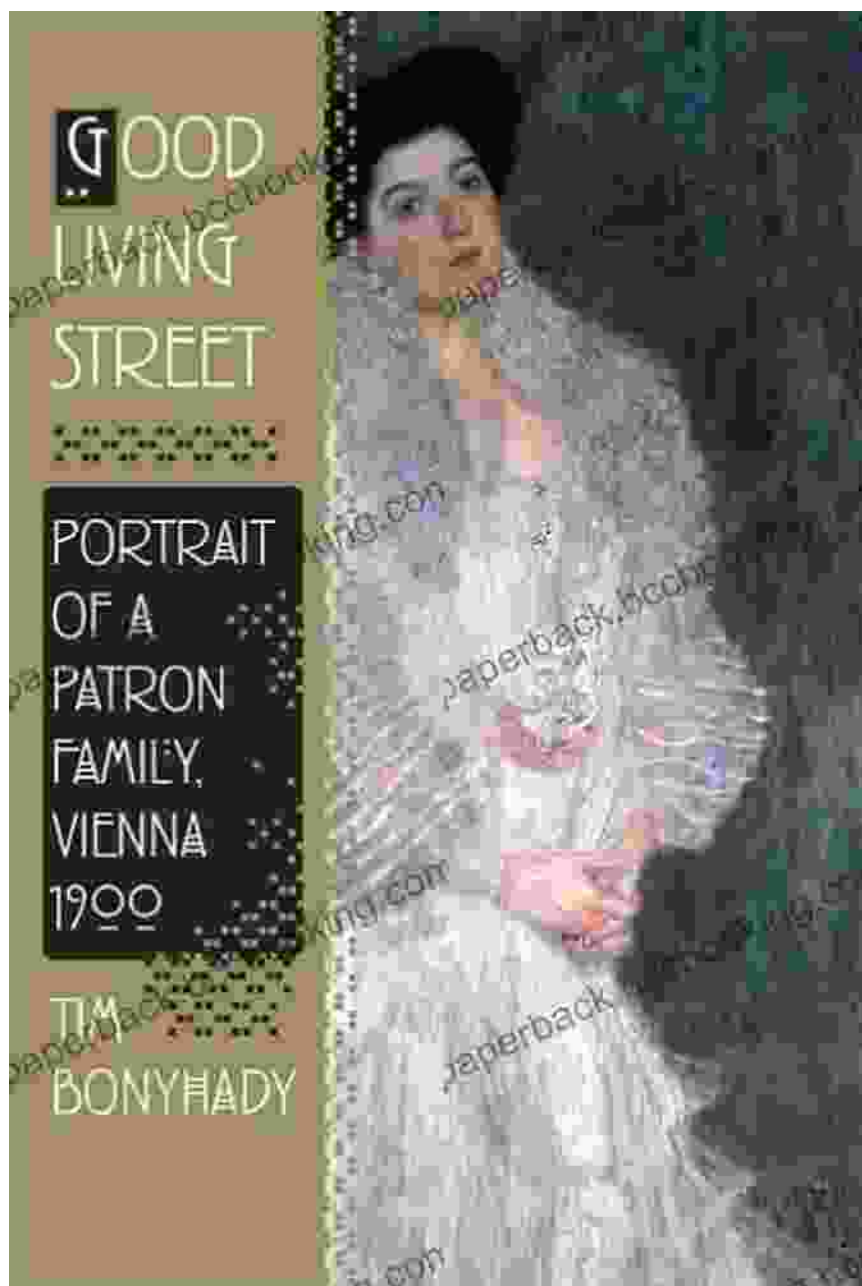


The Palais Stoclet, designed by Josef Hoffmann for the Primavesi family. Photo: MAK, Vienna.

### **Preserving the Legacy of Vienna 1900**

"Portrait of Patron Family Vienna 1900" not only celebrates the artistic achievements of the Wiener Werkstätte but also emphasizes the importance of preserving the cultural heritage of Vienna 1900. By documenting the lives and contributions of these patrons, the book underscores the role of private patronage in fostering artistic innovation and shaping the cultural landscape of an era.

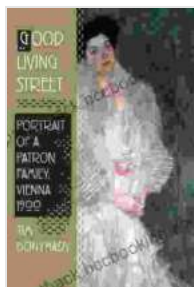
The book also highlights the efforts to preserve and restore the architectural and artistic treasures of Vienna 1900. Examples include the restoration of the Palais Stoclet, now a UNESCO World Heritage Site, and the establishment of museums dedicated to the Wiener Werkstätte, such as the MAK and the Leopold Museum.



**: A Precious Window into a Bygone Era**

"Portrait of Patron Family Vienna 1900" is a visually stunning and historically valuable book that transports readers to the world of Vienna's elite at the turn of the 20th century. Through intimate portraits, fascinating archival material, and insightful analysis, it offers a precious window into a bygone era of artistic innovation and cultural patronage.

This captivating volume is a must-have for anyone interested in art history, Viennese culture, or the enduring legacy of the Wiener Werkstätte. It serves as a testament to the importance of preserving cultural heritage and the enduring power of art to inspire and shape societies.



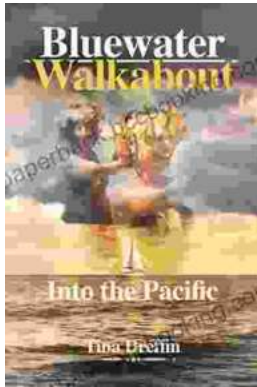
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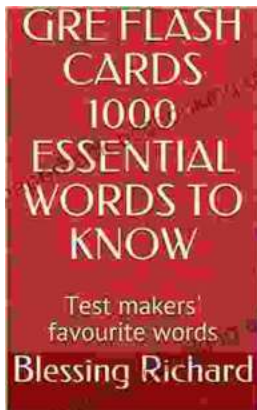
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