# Fashion, Designers, and Art

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- King Louis XIV influence
- Fashion in art represented the ideals of beauty and luxury
- Haute Couture and creation of 'fashion houses'
- 'Cults of personality' for famous couture designers





Controversy: 'fashion ethics' and regulating dress 'Macaronis', 0 young men who

wore flamboyant clothing

## 18th Century



- Shift from annualized to seasonal textiles
- Innovation: the 'Spinning Jenny'
- Introduction of ready-to-wear clothing
- French artists contacted to create detailed drawings to send to buyers for approval
- The Lady's Magazine created the first, regular fashion magazine





# **Design Manufacturing and Industry Innovation**





• Controversy:

'Tailormades'

(women's suits)

Gold Rush in the

U.S. leads to

• Too 'masculine'

adoption of denim

- Paris fashion shows international attention
- Photographs and global circulation of trends
- Ready-to-wear gains appeal



#### 19th Century

- Napoleonic and US Civil wars create demand for ready-to-wear uniforms
- London introduced the
- first department stores • India leads in textiles, cotton
- International fashion industry supply chain





- Innovations: Jacquard Loom (1801) and Singer's **Sewing Machine** (1851)
- Controversy: sweatshops shocked the world

French designer Gabrielle "Coco" Chanel's two piece suit

• High-fashion designers reach a wider audience • First 'fast fashion' and the economic boom of the 1920s





- Controversy: trousers for women
- Great Depression empowered domestic industries before
- globalization during WW2 • WW2 the U.S. new global leader
- Mass-produced, youthful ready-to-wear leads

### 20th Century

- Department stores and designer brands • Mass production and intense competition
- 'Triangle Shirtwaist Factory' fire of 1911 shocks consumers





- India shifts textile trade to manufacturing jobs
- Internet globalizes fashion industry and retail



Jun Takahashi's japanese streetwear brand, Underground

- Environmental sustainability trends, organic cotton etc.
- Diversity in U.S. greater market for ethnically-diverse apparel
- China: wages rise, from worker to consumer of fashion



# 21st Century



- Decrease in supply chain lead time • H&M, Zara,
  - Uniqlo maintain 2-4 weeks
- US's 4-9 months • Sourcing in S.E. Asia and Africa

- 2013 Rana Plaza collapse
- New certification systems and auditing on manufacturers

