

THE AGES OF ITALIAN DECADENCE

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Abstract: *Literary Decadentism was born as a reaction to Verism and Romanticism, pointing out the beginning of Modernity in Italian literature. this new literary trend has two stages: the first Decadentism, where the modern man's crisis is just an intuition, and the second Decadentism, when a solution to that is found through a come-back to concrete, to individual, to subjectivity.*

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