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- ❖ Art Nouveau was an art movement that arose in the late 19th century in Western Europe and the United States
- ❖ Art Nouveau directly translates from French to “New Art”
- ❖ The movement was known for its curvilinear lines, often referred to as “whiplash” curves, soft muted colours, and the movement took heavy inspiration from organic and natural elements.



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- ❖ Art Nouveau was created as a way to step away from the traditional values and perspectives of art
- ❖ “The unfolding of Art Nouveau’s flowing line may be understood as a metaphor for the freedom and release sought by its practitioners and admirers from the weight of artistic tradition and critical expectations.”

[https://www.theartstory.org/movement/art-nouveau/artworks/#pnt\\_5](https://www.theartstory.org/movement/art-nouveau/artworks/#pnt_5)

# Mystical Lenormand

- ❖ The Lenormand Oracle Deck was named after Marie Anne Lenormand (1772-1843)
- ❖ Marie Anne Lenormand was a Frenchwoman who was an extremely famous fortune-teller
- ❖ For forty years, she read cards and prophesied for the rich and famous Parisiens
- ❖ Some of her notable clients include, Napoleon Bonaparte and his first wife Josephine, Tsar Alexander I, and French revolutionary leaders like Robespierre and Marat

# History of Fortune Telling

- ❖ Fortune Telling was a huge craze in the 18th and 19th centuries and was extremely popular at social gatherings, where it was used as a parlor game
- ❖ Fortunes tended to be more surface level such as “you will go on a journey”, etc.
- ❖ However, overtime the Lenormand deck was created and gained more respect and notoriety as a valuable fortune telling tool.



## Lenormand vs Tarot

- Lenormand differs from Tarot as the symbols on the cards are common pictures and symbols that are easily recognizable whereas Tarot cards depict complicated scenes that leave many possibilities for interpretation.











