

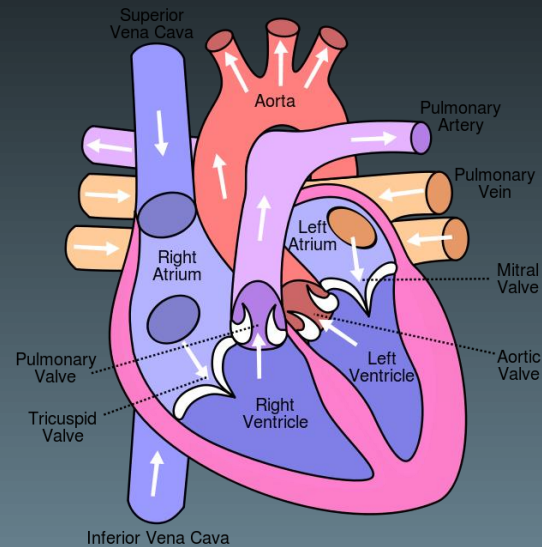
Affairs of the Heart:

Images of the Heart in Art

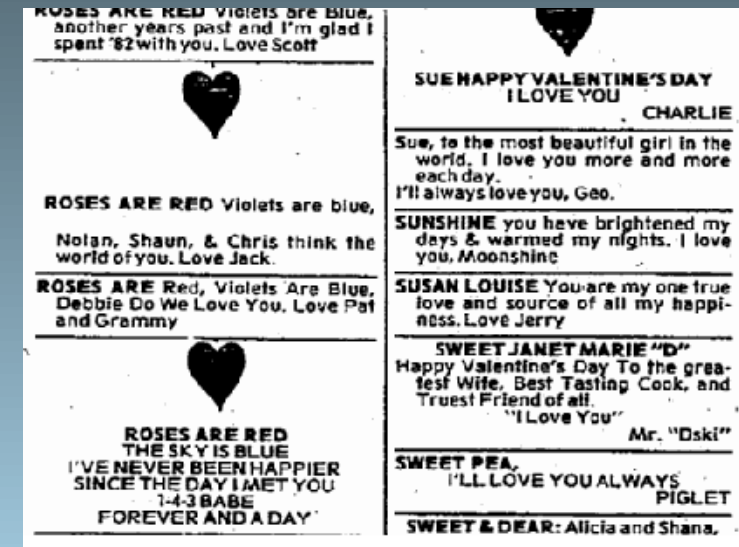
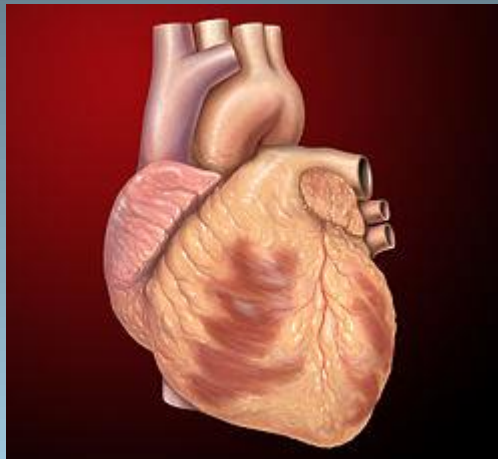
Valerie Shrimplin

Or, more specifically ... how did we get ...

From this



to this



Symbolism in Art

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Art History!

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Anatomy!

From ancient, Judao-Christian, Medieval chivalry,
the Renaissance and Victorian sentimentality
.... to modern and commercial

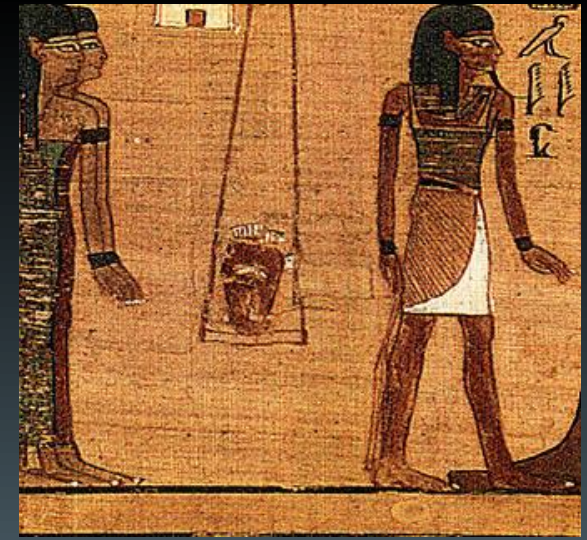
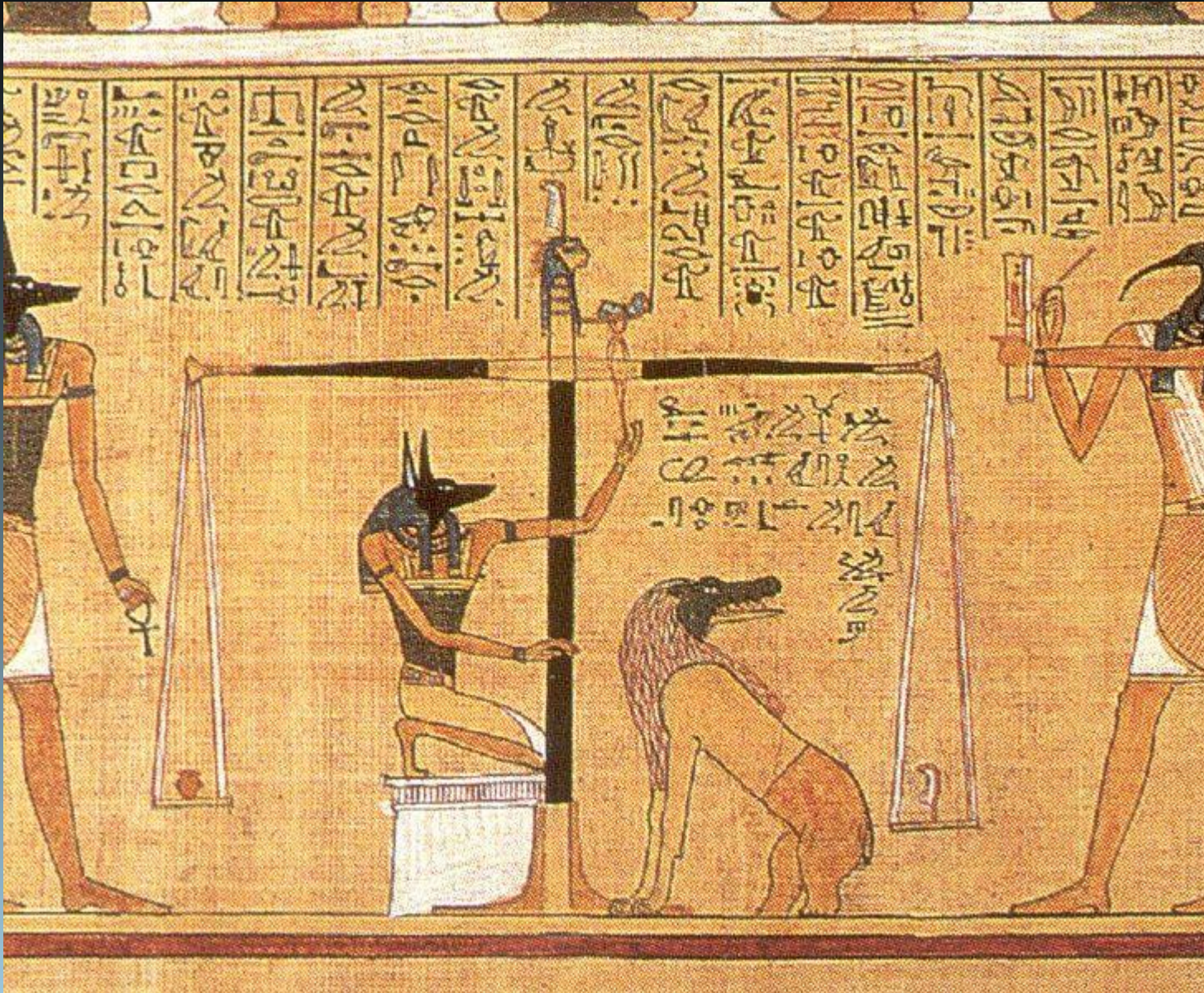
Man Holding Heart (Olmec Civilisation, Mexico fl 1500 BC)
(picture: Justin Kerr)

The Weighing of the Heart from the Book of the Dead of Ani,
c 1300 BC



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Anubis weighing heart of Hunefer, c 1285 BC



Crucial role in Egyptian creation myth:
*Ptah conceives the world by the thought
of his heart and gives life through the
magic of his Word.*



The Heritage of Greece and Rome

Greek mythology of Aphroditi and Eros – with Roman/Latin equivalent of Venus and Cupid

Important foundation for later concepts of romantic or spiritual love – both came to focus on the heart

11th century Byzantine
Hagia Sophia, Constantinople



Judaeo Christian

- 1 Samuel 16:7 - *But the lord said ... Look not on his countenance or on the height of his stature ... the Lord seeth not as a man seeth: for man looketh on the outward appearance, but the Lord looketh on the heart*
- Psalms - Over 100 references - *He that hath a pure heart ... (24:4)*
- Proverbs 4:23 – *Keep thy heart with all diligence; or out of it are the issues of life* (metaphorically and literally)
- Matthew 5:8 – *Blessed are the pure in heart*
- Ecclesiastes 8:11 – as the seat of evil

Love and Caritas



Andrea Pisano, south doors
Florence Baptistery c 1337



Giotto, Arena Chapel Padua,
completed 1305

Giotto di Bondone, 'Amor', Lower Church, S Francesco, Assisi c 1330

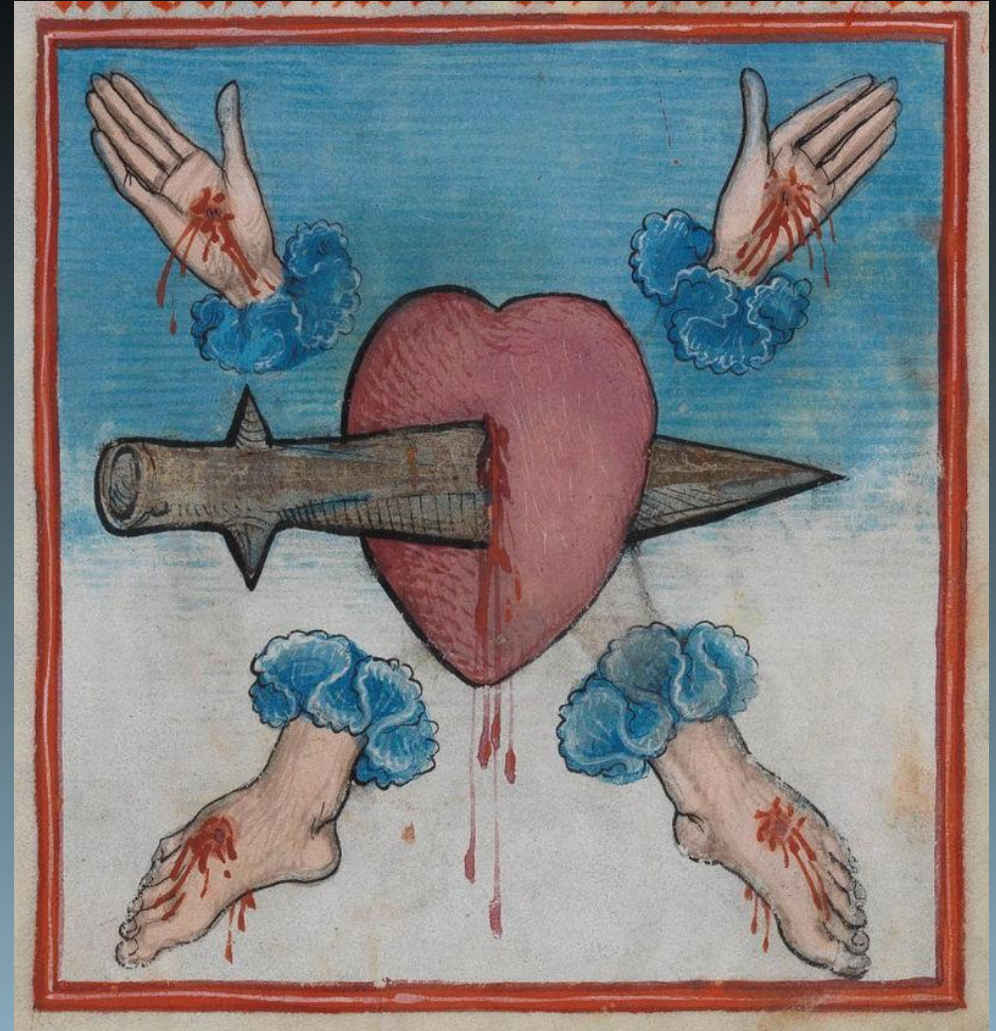


Donatello, *The Miser's Heart*, 1446





Giovanni di Paolo, *St Catherine of Siena exchanges her Heart with Christ*, 1460



Codex, Stuttgart 1486

Chivalry and the Crusades



Crusader hearts returned home
Richard the Lion Heart, 1199 and Sir Roger de Leybourne, 1270



Courtly love
Roman de la Poire, 1250



Chaucer's *Amor Vincit Omnia* (Canterbury Tales, begun 1386)

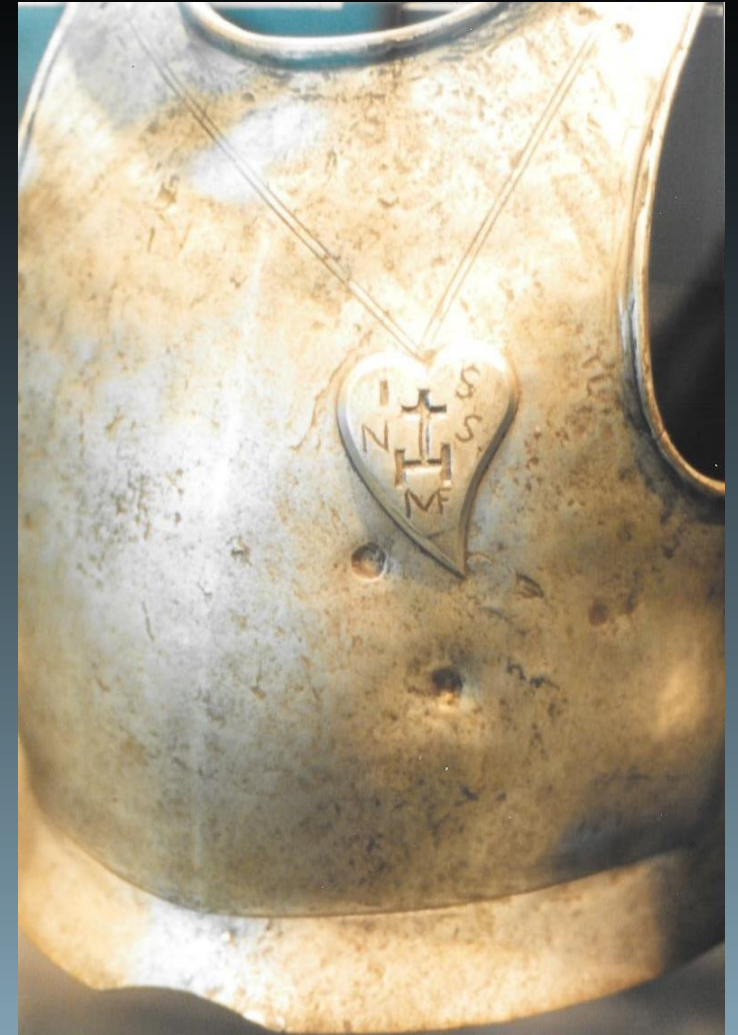


*Of small coral aboute her arme she bar
A peire of bedes ... and thereon heng a broche of gold full shene
On which there was first write a crowned A
And after, Amor Vincit Omnia*

Romantic love saves



Heart-shaped bone pendant,
Norwich castle museum



Crusader breast plate, Valetta, Malta

Fishpool hoard

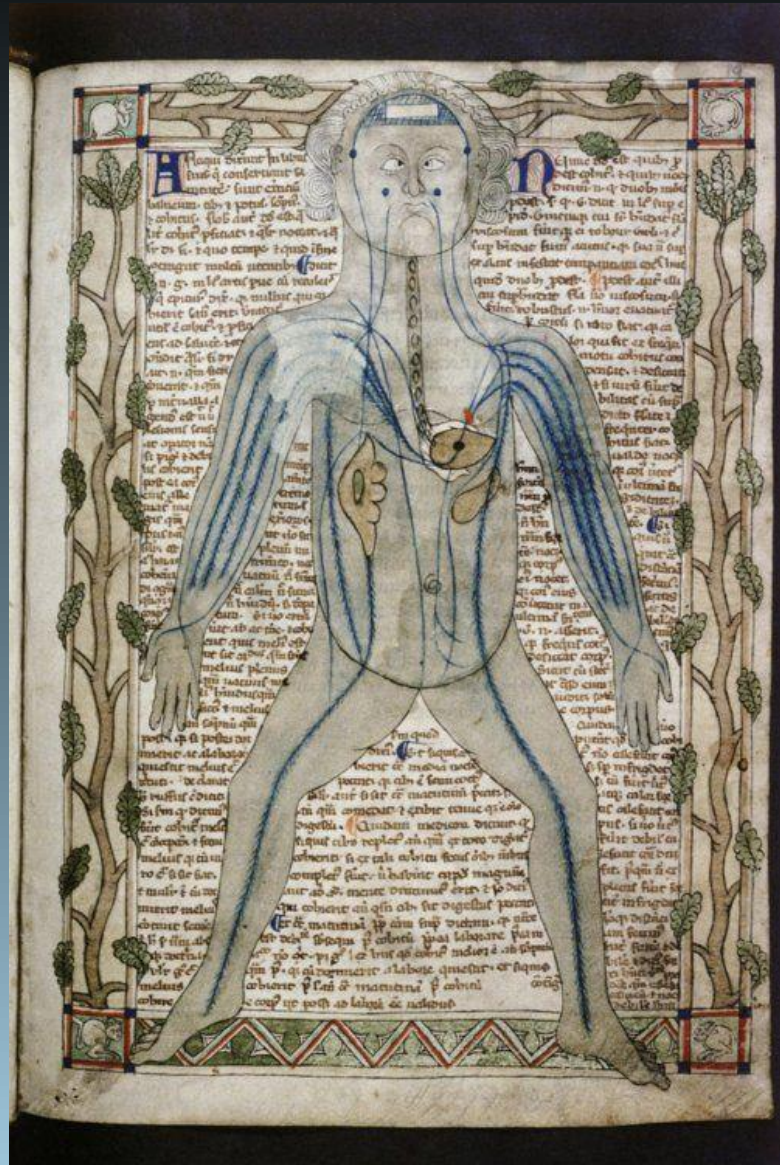


Part of largest hoard of coins ever found (1966) – British Museum (dating c 1464)

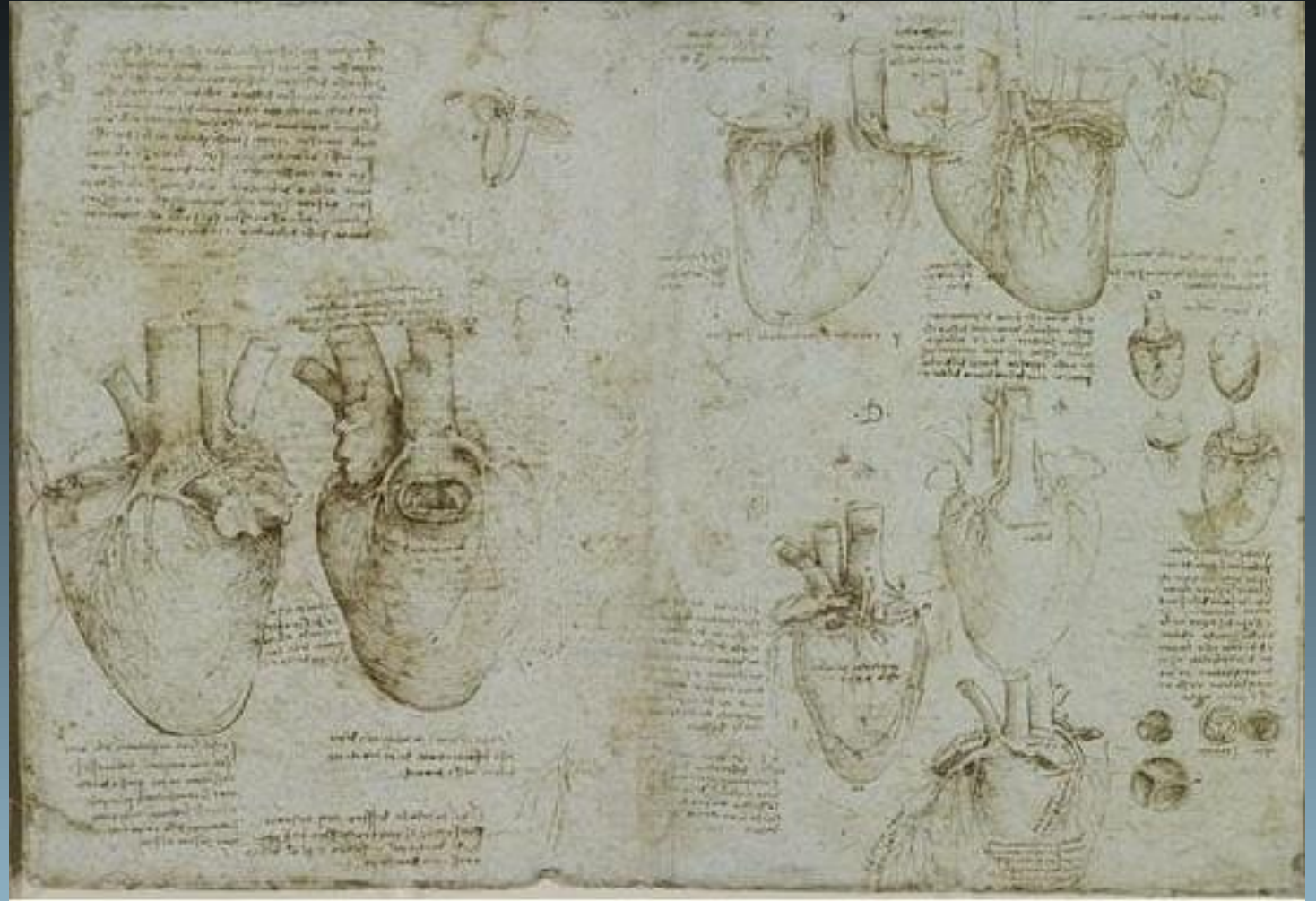
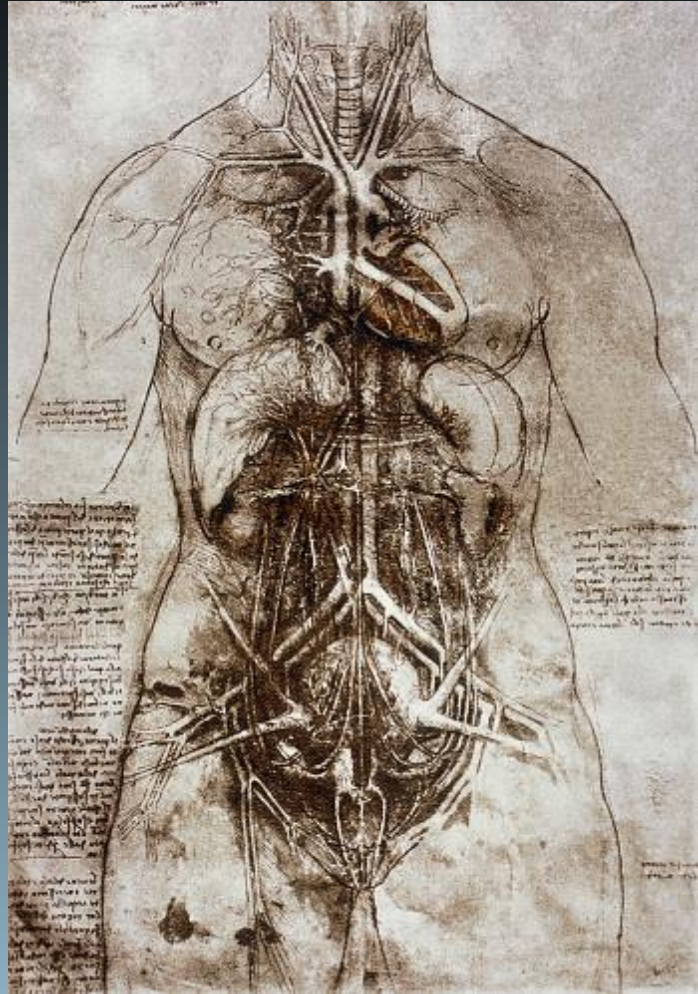
French Manuscript
Petit Livre d'Amour
(c. 1500)



From ... Medical manuscript 1292



To ... Aldebrande of Florence,
medical treatise, 1356



Alciato's book of emblems 1531

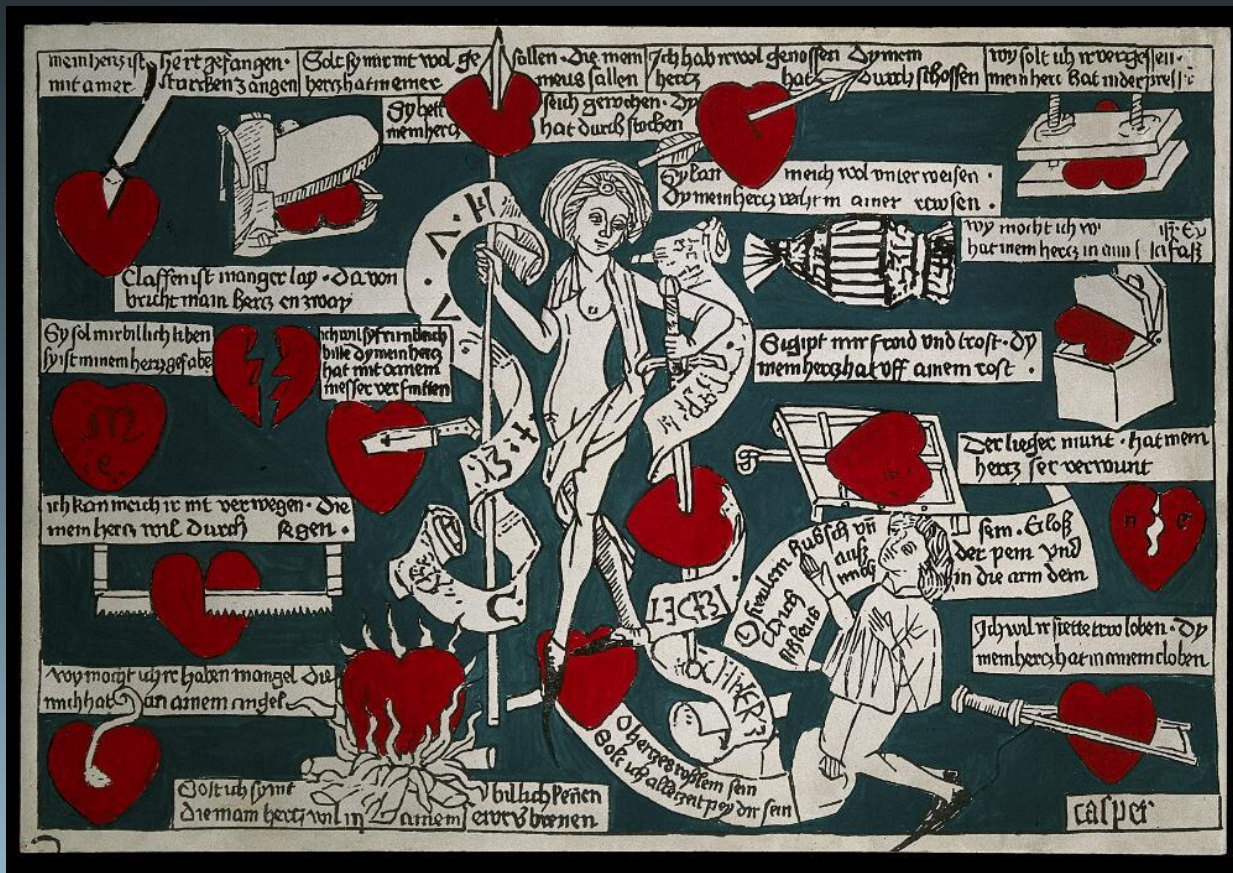


Caucasia aeternū pendens in rupe Prometheus
Dirripitur sacri præpetis ungue iccus
Et nollet fecisse hominem, figulosq; posus
Accensa rapto damnat ab igne facem
Roduntur uarijs prudentum pectora curis
Qui coeli affectant scire deumq; uices

IN AMATORES MERETRICUM.



Northern Europe



Meister Caspar, Venus, c 1470



Codex, Stuttgart 1486

Emblem of Martin Luther,
from c 1520s



*Portrait (Young man with heart as
an 'open book'), c 1480*



*Lucas Cranach, Saints adoring Christ
Crucified on the Sacred Heart, 1505*

And not forgetting Shakespeare ...

Did my heart love till now? Forswear it, sight, for I ne'er saw true beauty till this night

And Ophelia sadly mentions '... tomorrow is St Valentines'

Francesco Barberino,
Documenti di Amore 1318
Printed version 1640
Blind Cupid - complete with
arrows, roses and hearts!



Bernini, *Ecstasy of St Teresa*, Cornaro Chapel,
Rome 1647–52

St Teresa of Avila described her
experience of religious ecstasy:
*I saw in his hand a long spear of
gold .. thrusting it into my heart,
and to pierce my very entrails*



Philippe de Champaigne,
St Augustine, 1645-50

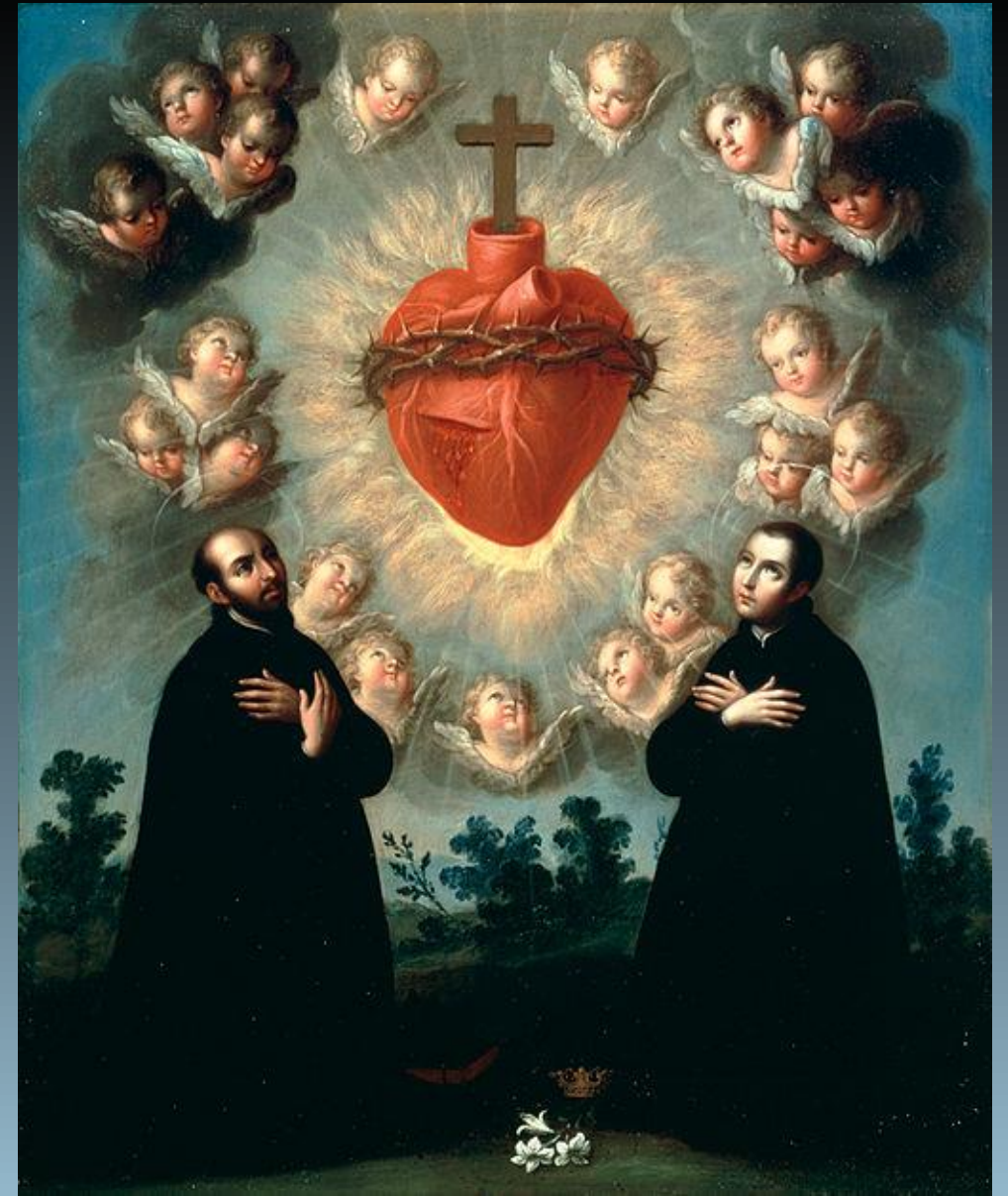
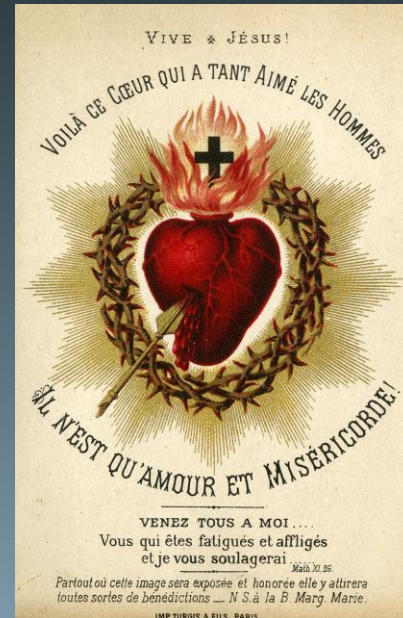


Simon Vouet,
Heavenly Charity, c 1640



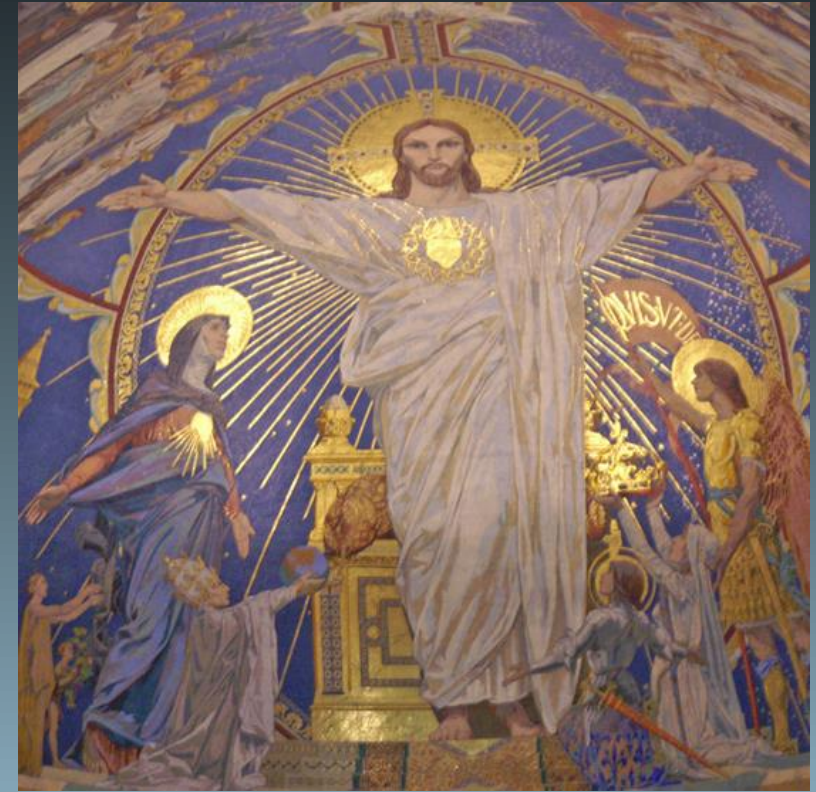
Jacob de Gheyn,
Venus and Cupid c 1605

Sacred heart and the Jesuits



Mexican, 1770

Sacré Coeur, Montmartre, Paris late 19th cent



Aztec, Indian – familiarity with heart

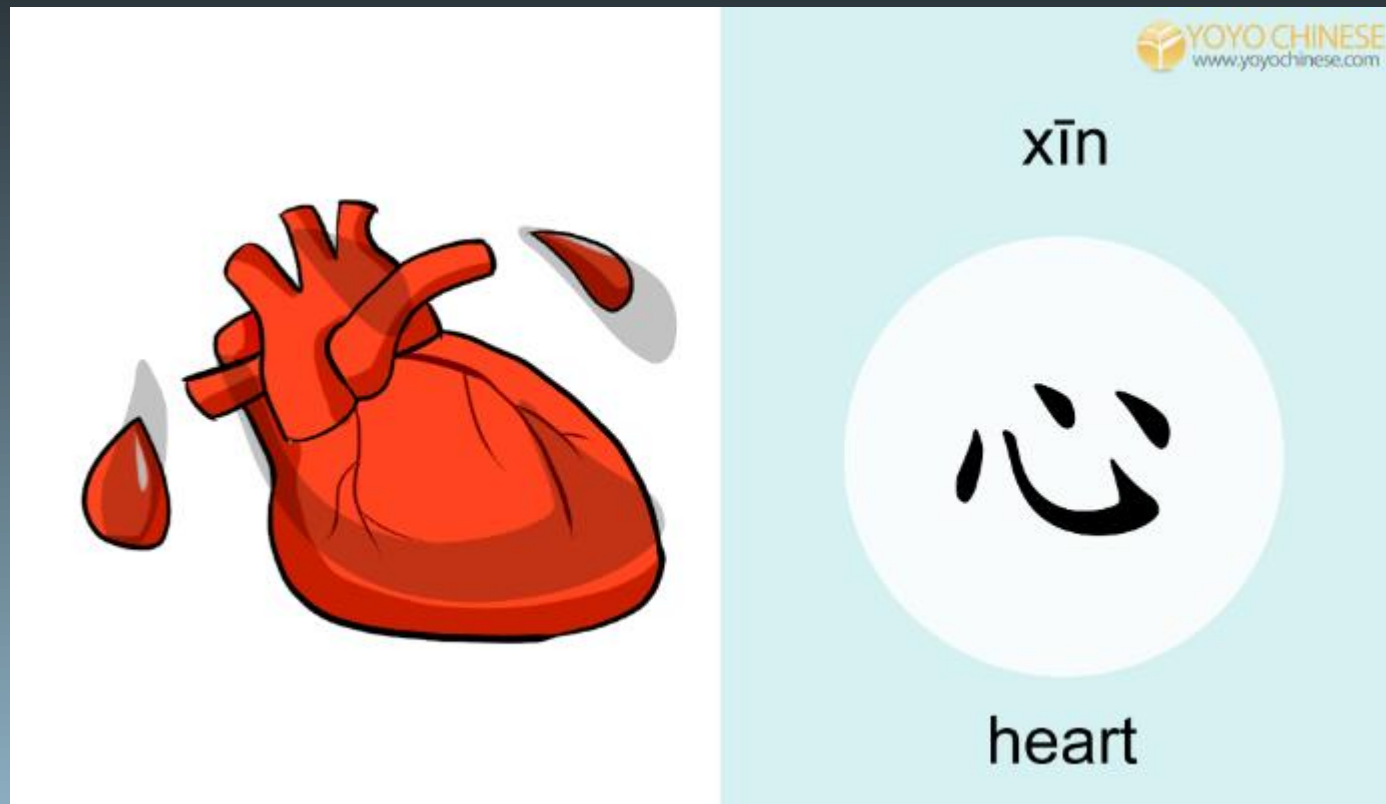
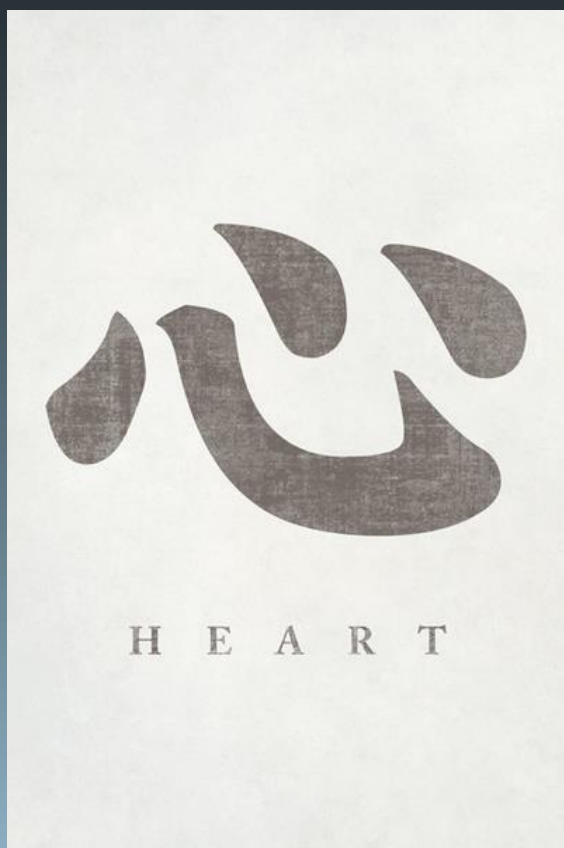


Aztec c 16th century



Indian, 14th century

Chinese Heart Symbol



Victorian

Dante Gabriel
Rossetti – and the
beginnings of
modern-day
Valentines



Joli Coeur, 1867

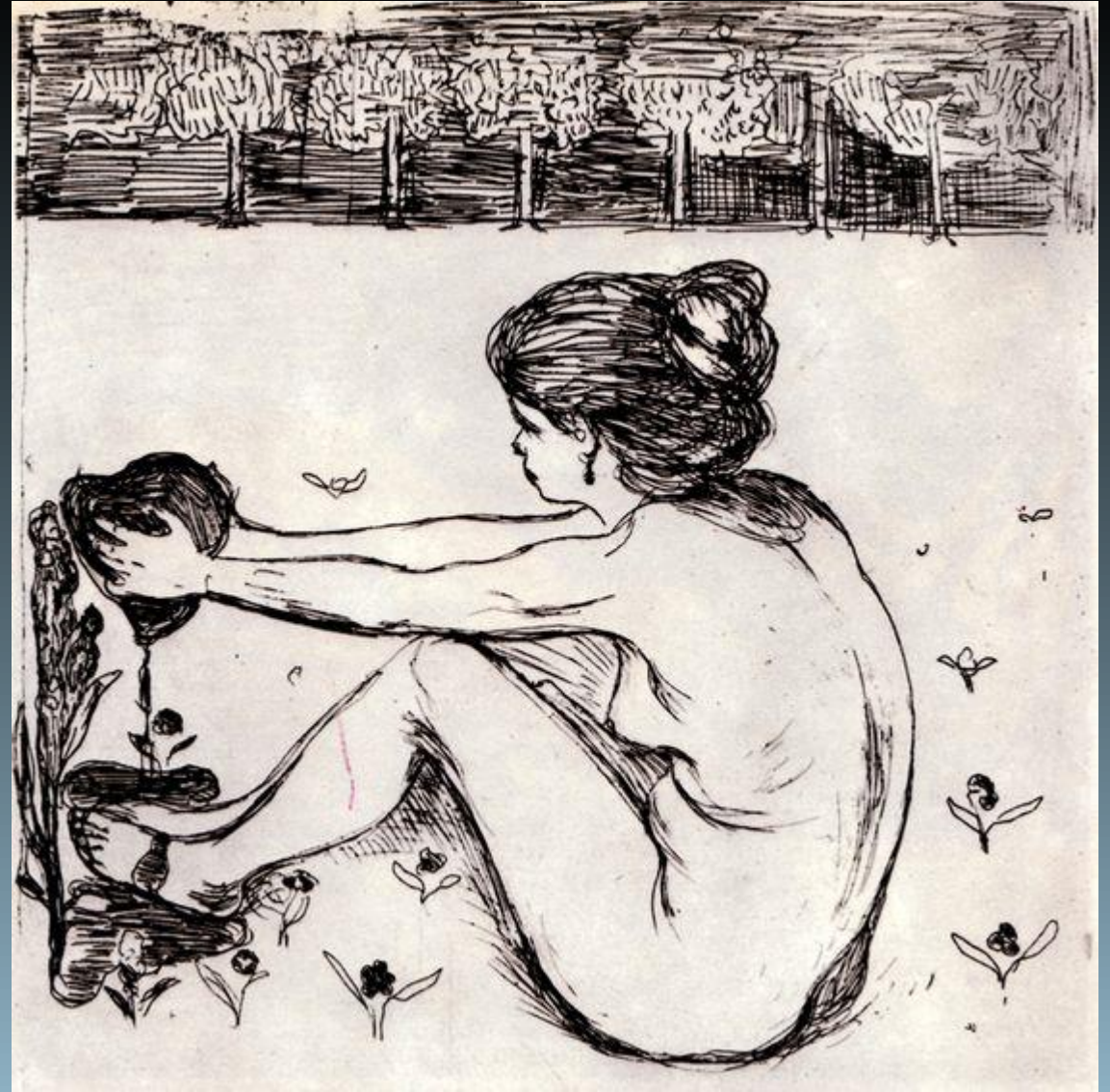


Queen of Hearts, 1860

Edvard Munch (1863-1945)

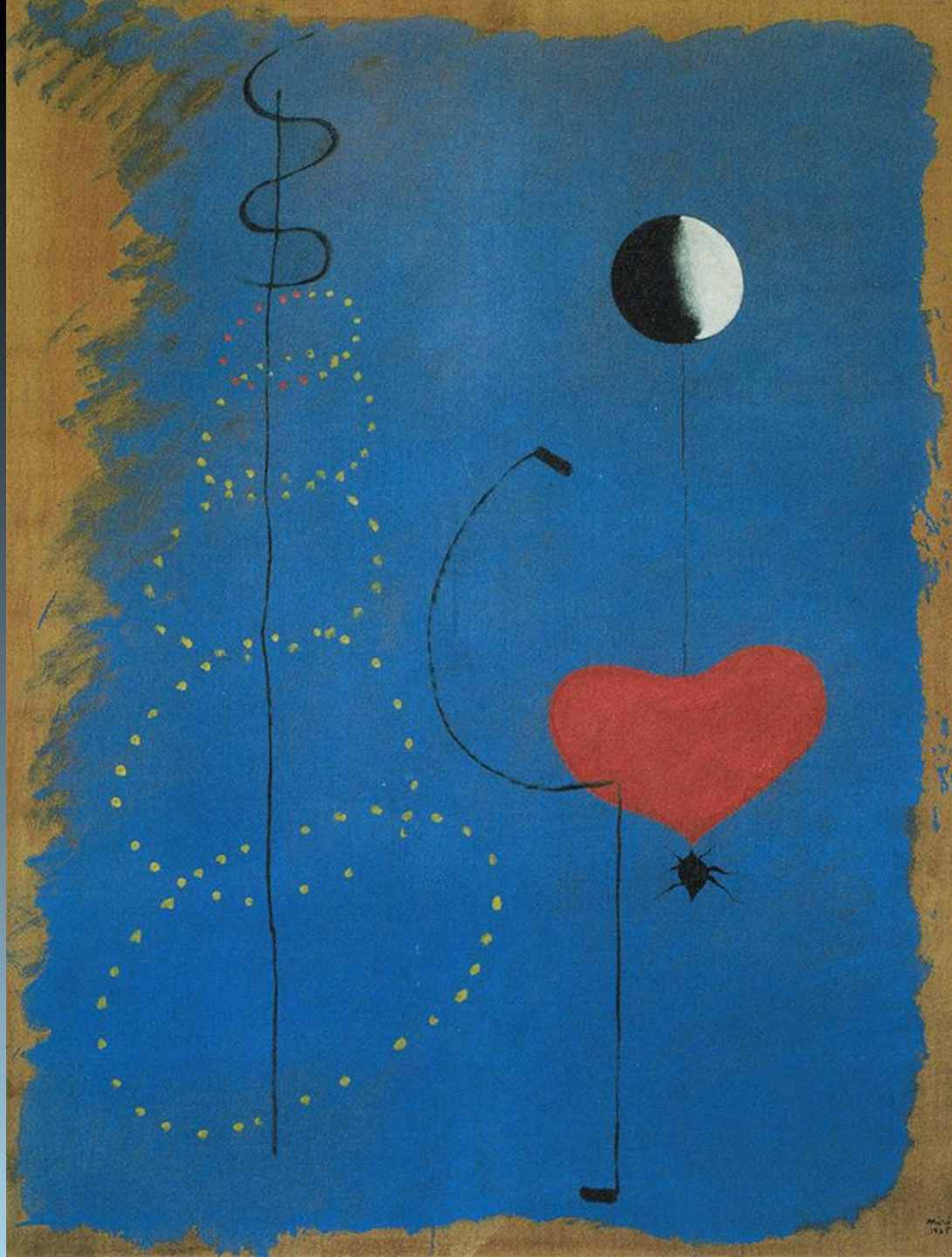


The Heart, 1899



The Maiden and the Heart, 1896

20th century



Joan Miro, *Danseuse II*,
1925

Henri Matisse



Heart of love enamoured, 1949



Icarus, 1946

Frida Kahlo

The Two Fridas, 1939



David Hockney



Two Boys Together Clinging, 1961



The Most Beautiful Boy in the World, 1961

Roy Lichtenstein



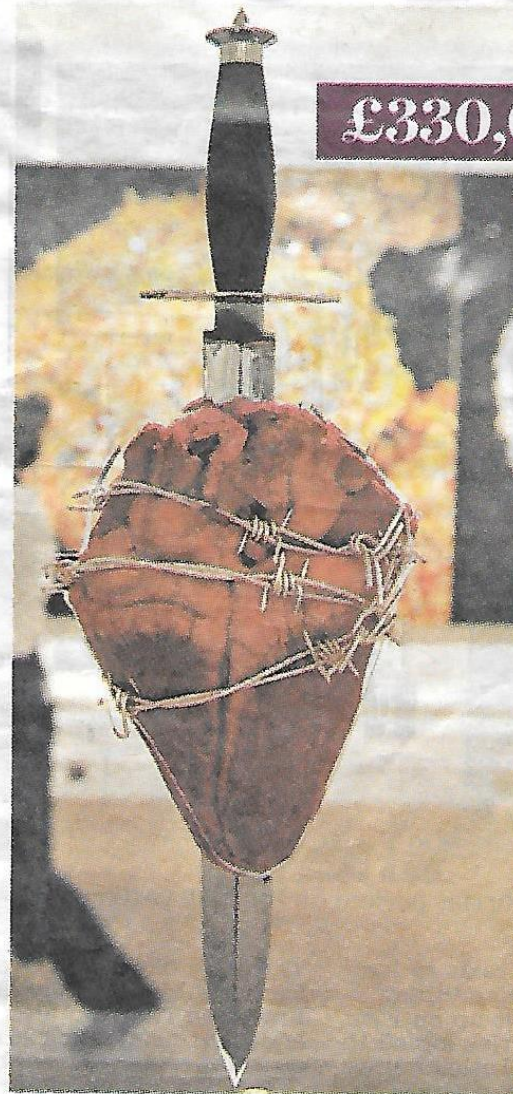
1960s

Peter Blake



Motif Suite: Target, Rainbow, Heart, Star, 2010

Artist Damien Hirst hopes to make

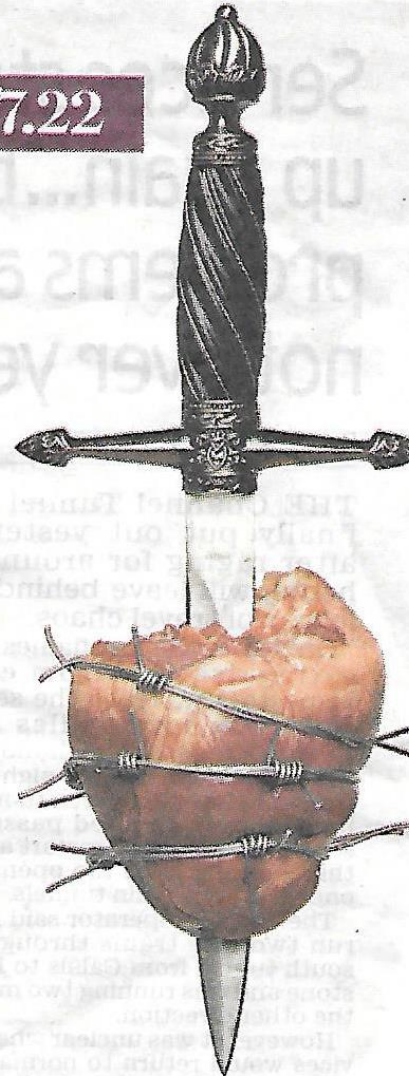


£330,000

The Immaculate Heart — Lost

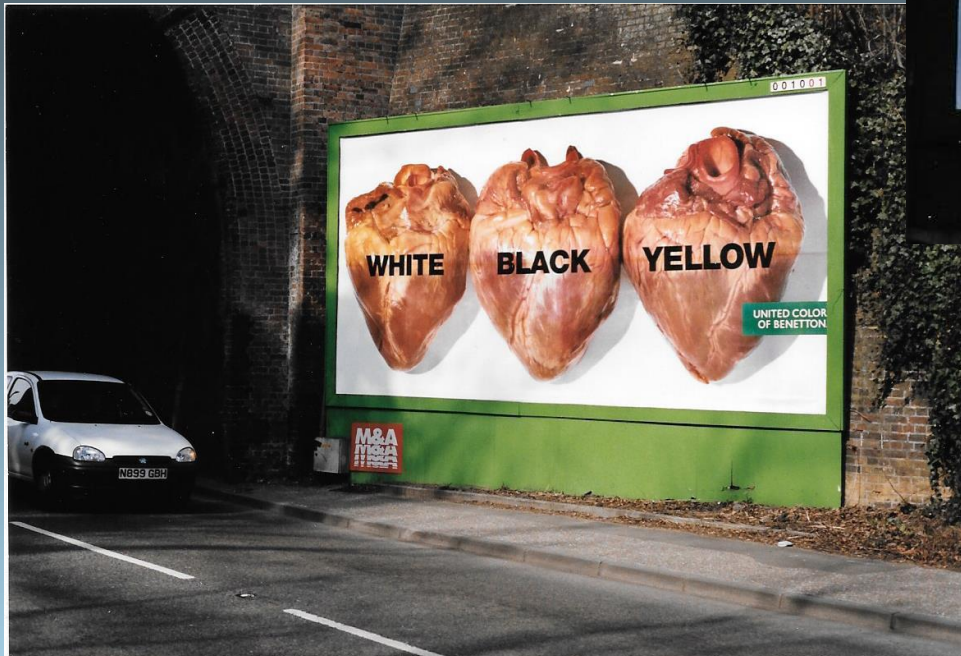
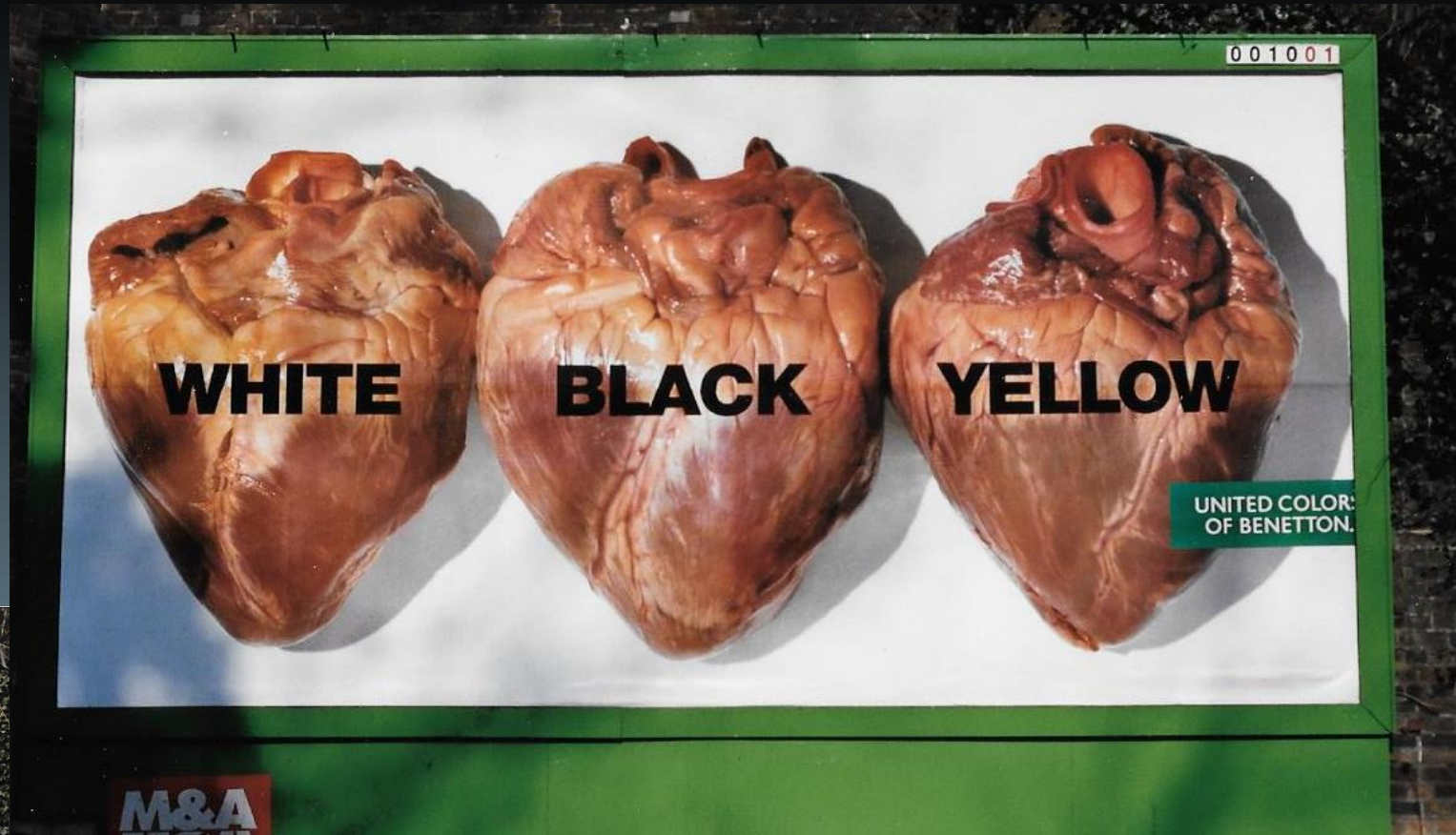
THE local butcher assured us that a pig's heart is far better braised than skewered dramatically for art. But at just £1.53 this beast is a bargain whatever you do with it. Hours of internet trawling turned up the perfect dagger, which cost £12 from a site devoted to Pagan paraphernalia. It is now illegal to sell barbed wire in the UK so we fashioned our own artistic interpretation from a ball of wire costing £3.69.

Compiled by
LAURA MOSS



£17.22

United Colours of Benetton, 1996



Intended to stimulate discussion
– on the inside we are all the same

Modern symbols



San Francisco, public art

Broken Heart-- 💔
Sparkling Heart-- 💎💖
Growing Heart-- 💕
Heart with Arrow/ Fall in Love-- 💘
Blue Heart-- 💙
Green Heart-- 💚
Yellow Heart-- 💛
Red Heart-- ❤️
Purple Heart -- 💜
Heart with Ribbon-- 🎀

‘emoticons’



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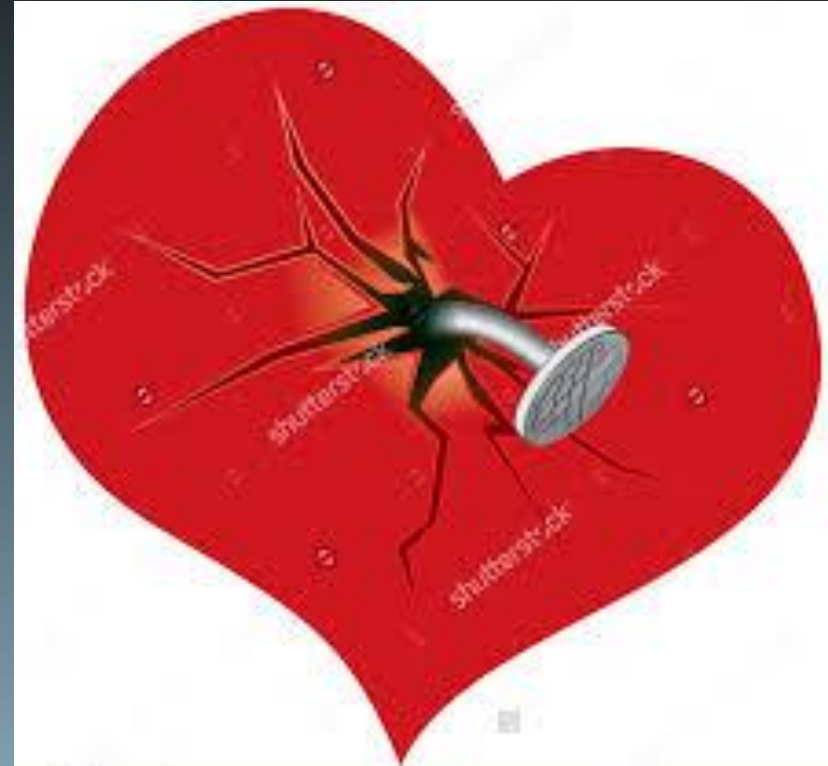
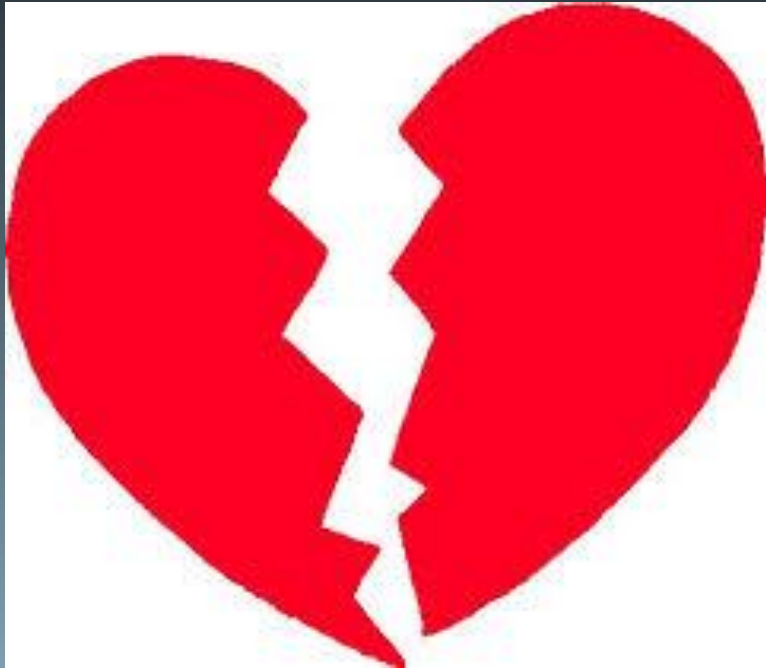
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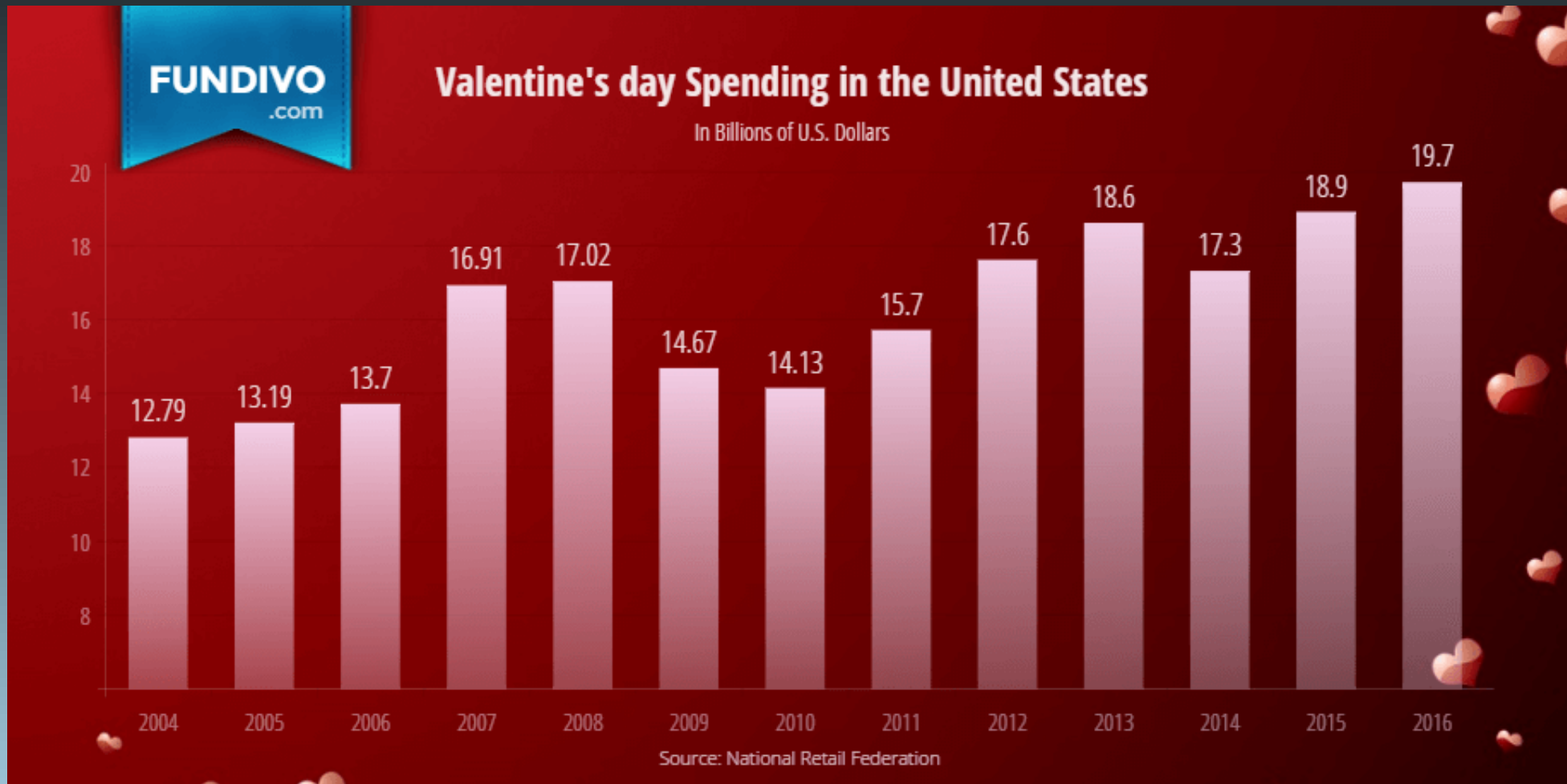
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Not so happy



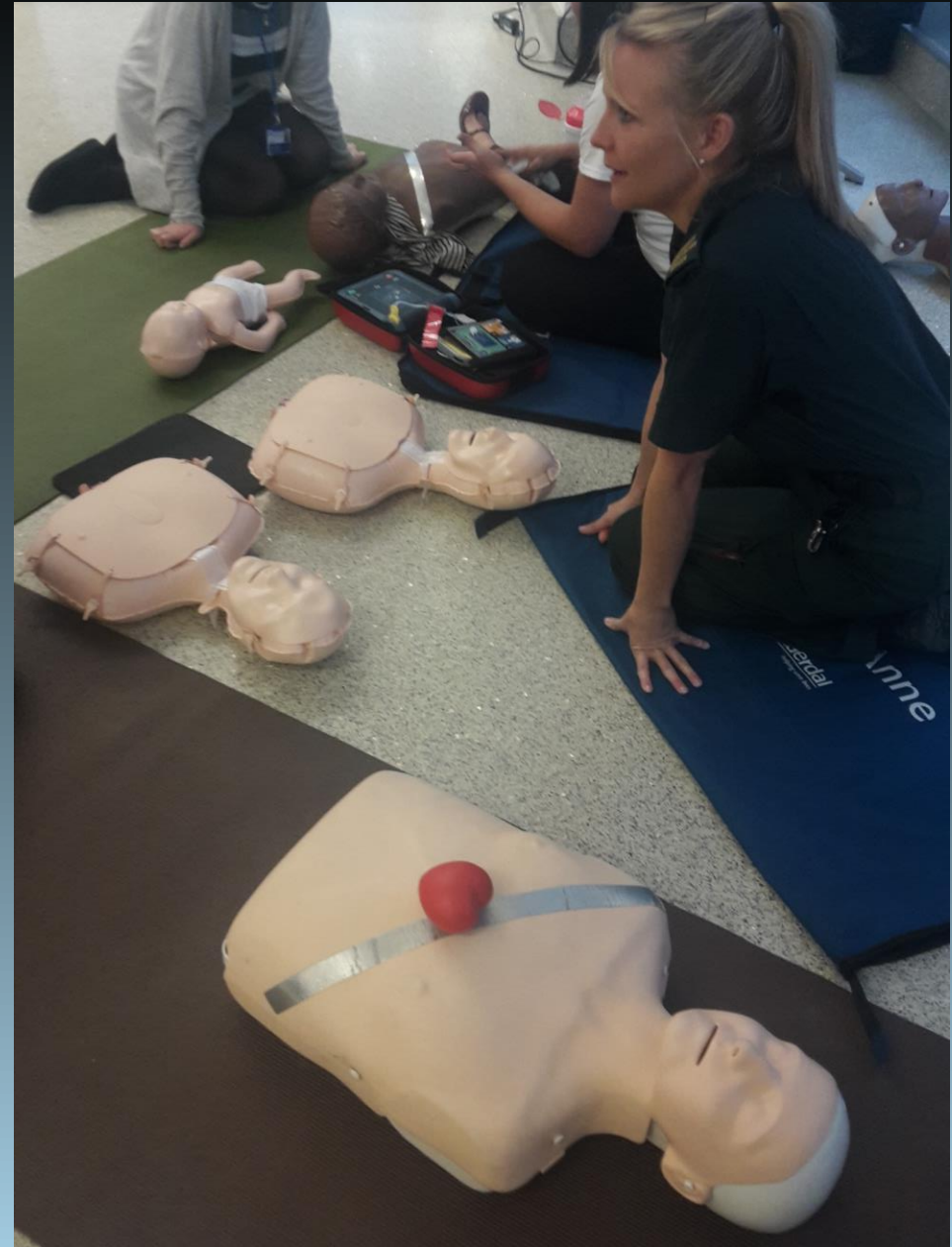
Modern Commercialism

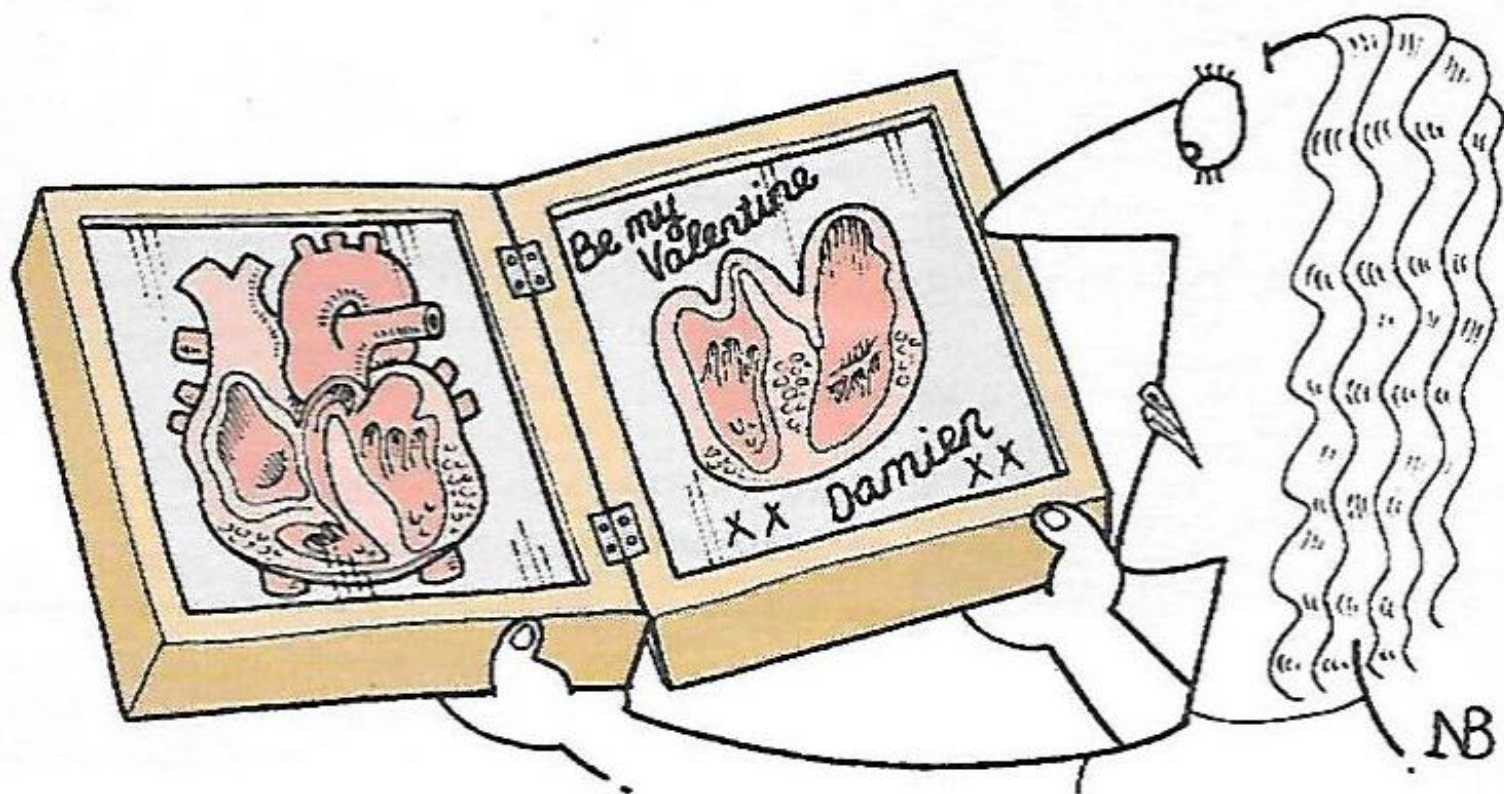


Back to the medical stuff



But *still* using the symbol not a realistic image







Valentine

Happy Valentine's Day

