

Chronology

- 1871 Born May 27, Paris during Franco-Prussian War amidst heavy shelling
- 1885 Apprentices with stained glass masters Hirsch and Tamoni
- 1885 Enrolls in evening classes at the Ecole des Arts Décoratifs
- 1891 Enrolls at Ecole des Beaux-Arts
- 1891 Shows for the first time at the French Salon, official art exhibition of the Ecole des Beaux-Arts
- 1892 Begins studies with artist Gustave Moreau
- 1898 Death of Gustave Moreau and becomes conservator of the Musée Gustave Moreau
- 1903 First Salon d'Automne organized by Georges Rouault, André Derain, Henri Matisse and Albert Marquet as a reaction to the conservative policies of the French Salon
- 1904 Meets Léon Bloy, novelist, essayist, pamphleteer and poet. His works reflect a deep devotion to the Roman Catholic Church and greatly influenced Rouault's spiritual growth
- 1905 Exhibition at Salon d'Automne with Fauvists
- 1908 Marries Marthe le Sidaner
- 1910 First solo exhibition at Galerie Druet
- 1912 Death of Rouault's father
- 1912-18 Begins preliminary drawings for the print series "Miserere et Guerre"
- 1914 World War I begins
- 1917 Ambroise Vollard, art dealer/publisher purchases all of Rouault's paintings, both finished and unfinished, becomes Rouault's exclusive dealer
- 1919 First painting acquired by a museum – Musée des Unterlinden, Colmar, France
- 1922-27 Completes the print series "Miserere et Guerre" during this time
- 1937 Rouault exhibits paintings at Paris World's Fair to great acclaim
- 1939 World War II begins
- 1939 Death of Ambroise Vollard

- 1945 Rouault exhibits at Museum of Modern Art, New York
- 1947 Rouault successfully sues Vollard's estate for return of over 800 paintings
- 1948 "Miserere et Guerre" first printed and published
- 1951 Receives the rank Commander of the Legion of Honor, the highest decoration in France
- 1953 Retrospective exhibitions on view at Museum of Modern Art, New York, The County Museum of Los Angeles and the Cleveland Museum of Art
- 1958 Dies at 86 years – first artist in history to be given a state funeral by the French government