GENERAL THEMES AND VISION

Strong environment

Strong mother figure

Strength of women

The Bride

Fairy Tales

Sexual imagery

Virginity

First sexual encounter

Death & sex

Lilies : death

White flowers ; purity

Weak fathers: gamblers and drunks

Incestuous undertones

Pagan

The Beast (male)

Lust

Being lost

Happy ending

Fate tossed

Gothic

Building has a character

Ferocity of nature

Feral

Victorian fear of nature

Nature that needs to be tamed

Women & nature

Women seen as natural and therefore irresponsible

Sexual aggressor

Sado-masochistic

Fragility behind the horror

Impending doom

Beautiful

Elegiac

Violent

Jewels and Jewellery

Suspense

Breaking points

Fighting the environment

Being defined by the environment

Reflection of the human (the beast)

Malevolence

Loss of innocence

Betrayal – fathers and daughters

Love and tenderness

Animal lust

Love in unexpected places

Passivity

Control

Grotesque

Idealistic view

Feminism

Metaphor

Amputation

Blood

Horror of the unforeseen

Echoes of our relationship with the natural world now