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Art in Theory 1900-2000
An Anthology of Changing Ideas
New Edition
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Since it was first published in 1992, this book has become one of the leading anthologies of art theoretical texts in the English-speaking world. This expanded edition includes the fruits of recent research, involving a considerable amount of newly-translated material from the entire period, together with additional texts from the last decades of the twentieth century.

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- Comprehensive representation of the theories which underpinned developments in the visual arts during the twentieth century
- Writings by artists, texts by critics, philosophers, politicians and literary figures
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- Individual introductions to each of the 371 anthologized texts.

Material new to this expanded edition includes texts on African art, on the Bauhaus and on the re-emergent avant-gardes of the period after the Second World War. Post-modernist debates are amplified by texts on gender, on installation and performance art, and on the increasing globalization of culture.


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Among the major themes treated are concepts of genius and originality, modes of landscape painting, approaches to Realism, the question of Modernity and debates over Impressionism, theories of optics and color, the aesthetics of photography, and the rise of photography. Each section is prefaced by an essay that situates the ideas of the period in their historical context, while relating theoretical concerns and debates to developments in the practice of art. Each text is briefly introduced by an outline giving the circumstances of its original appearance and indicating its relevance to the development of modern artistic theory. An extensive bibliography is also provided.


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Art in Theory 1648-1815
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ART IN THEORY 1648-1815 provides a wide-ranging and comprehensive collection of documents on the theory of art from the founding of the French Academy until the end of the Napoleonic Wars.

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(Re)Thinking Art
A Guide for Beginners
STEPHEN SHIPPS
Emerson College

This concise and lively introduction considers the term ‘art’: what it means, and why it matters. Rather than being about any particular sort of art - visual or otherwise - this book addresses the idea of art in all its vastness and complexities. It introduces readers to what the term has meant throughout Western cultural history, what it is and what it isn't, what it might usefully be thought to mean in our time, and, finally, offers some generative implications for thinking about art in precisely this way.

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200 PAGES - DECEMBER 2007

Theory in Contemporary Art since 1985
Edited by ZOYA KOCUR & SIMON LEUNG
New York University; University of California, Irvine

This groundbreaking anthology captures the essence and the edge of the contemporary art scene. Focusing on key theoretical and aesthetic issues in contemporary art in cultural, historical, and socio-political contexts, including media, architecture, postmodernism, multiculturalism, identity politics, censorship, AIDS, postcolonialism, globalization, technology, and spectatorship, this volume brings together a broad selection of important contributions that map out the role that critical theory has played in contemporary art.

488 PAGES - 2004

Feminism-Art-Theory
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Edited by HILARY ROBINSON
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352 PAGES - 2005


**Museum Studies**

*An Anthology of Contexts*

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*A Theoretical Introduction*

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Edited by SUSAN M. DIXON
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**Sixteenth-century Italian Art**
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- Includes new translations of texts never previously published in English
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An Anthology
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Independent Scholar; College of New Jersey

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Architectural theory, like its counterparts in the other arts, functions not autonomously but within an intellectual context that encompasses the social, political, and cultural underpinnings of the societies in which it arises. This ambitious volume brings together readings from the primary texts of architectural theory, in addition to those related to more general philosophical backdrops. The result is an indispensable reference for any student or scholar of architecture. Organized thematically, it features general and section introductions and headnotes to each essay written by a renowned expert on architectural theory. Together with ARCHITECTURAL THEORY, VOLUME I, it provides a complete resource on architectural thought from early antiquity to the twenty-first century.


608 PAGES - SEPTEMBER 2007

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616 PAGES - 2005
How important is location in producing, understanding, and curating art? What happens when art and artists migrate? This exciting and provocative collection brings together seven essays by art historians, anthropologists and commentators on contemporary visual culture on the theme of ‘location’.

‘Location’ is considered in many different ways: the migration of art and artists in the past and the present, trans-national and trans-cultural exchanges and international exhibitions, the nature of hospitality that arises in acknowledging difference, and the significance of location in producing, writing about and curating art in Europe and Asia. An attention to place and space in global and local settings highlights site-specificity as well as global connections, actual and imaginary locations, the places and positions of viewing, and location of the artist, at the studio, and in the work.

Contributors: Leora Auslander; Rene Demoris; Elisabeth Lavezzi; Lesley Ellis Miller; Katie Scott; Mary Sheriff.

Between Luxury and the Everyday
Decorative Arts in Eighteenth-Century France
Edited by KATIE SCOTT & DEBORAH CHERY
Courtauld Institute of Art, London; University of the Arts, London

This exciting new collection of essays by leading scholars redefines the study of the decorative arts in eighteenth-century France. Moving between broader accounts of the impact of Enlightenment philosophy in shaping an understanding of the ‘decorative arts’ and case studies of silks, furniture and architecture, it illuminates the material worlds of consumers from the extravagance of the court to the more modest tastes of middle-class families. Working with new theories of the body and of space the book offers a new vision of the interior and its centrality to French culture.

Contributors: Leora Auslander; Rene Demoris; Elisabeth Lavezzi; Lesley Ellis Miller; Katie Scott; Mary Sheriff.

Art: History: Visual: Culture
Edited by DEBORAH CHERY
University of the Arts, London

Visual culture and its relationship to art history have been the subject of vigorous debate in recent years. This important new collection of essays brings together innovative scholarship on the subject by leading scholars.

Contributors: Zeynep Çelik; Deborah Cherry; Jessica Dubow; Liz James; David Lomas; Peter Osborne; Ruth B. Phillips; Adrian W.B. Randolph; Ruth Rosengarten; Angela H. Rosenthal; Eugene Wang.

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Transdisciplinary Perspectives
Edited by GRISELDA POLLOCK
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MUSEUMS AFTER MODERNISM is a unique collection that showcases the ways questions about the museum go to the heart of contemporary debates about the production, consumption and distribution of art. The book features expert artists, curators and art historians who grapple with many of the vibrant issues in museum studies, while paying homage to a new museology that needs to be considered.

EXHIBITION EXPERIMENTS is a lively collection that considers experiments with museological form that challenge our understanding of - and experience with - museums. It explores a range of topical issues: the popularity and proliferation of museum experimentation, exhibitionary forms and their impact on knowledge and identity, the fate of conventional notions of ‘object’ and ‘representation’, and the electrifying yet dizzying effect all of this is having on museum-goers.

This innovative collection brings together a mix of art historians, anthropologists, and sociologists to question traditional disciplinary boundaries. These contributors tackle a range of examples of experimentalism from many different countries, and combine them with cutting-edge museum theory. The result is an exciting volume that captures the changes and challenging new possibilities facing museum studies.

LATE ANTIQUE AND MEDIEVAL ART OF THE MEDITERRANEAN WORLD
Edited by EVA R. HOFFMAN
Tufts University

This comprehensive anthology offers a new approach to the visual arts classified as Early Christian-Byzantine. It creates an integrated study of the art and culture in the lands surrounding the Mediterranean from late antiquity through medieval times (third - thirteenth centuries CE), bringing together material that routinely had been separated by labels such as ‘Early Christian’, ‘Byzantine’, ‘Romanesque’, and ‘Islamic’.

Beginning with a comprehensive introduction that maps the late antique and medieval Mediterranean world, this volume includes an extensive range of pertinent topics, from the effect that converging cultures in late antiquity had on art, to the cultural identities that can be observed by looking at difference of tradition in visual art, and to the variance of illuminations in holy books.
Edges of Empire
Orientalism and Visual Culture
Edited by JOCELYN HACKFORTH-JONES & MARY ROBERTS
Richmond - The American International University in London; University of Sydney

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240 PAGES - 2005

Material Identities
Edited by JOANNA SOFAER
University of Southampton

“*Material Identities* examines the way that individuals use material objects as tools for conveying certain aspects of their personalities to others. Exploring the complexity of identity through the intersecting notions of gender, ethnicity, age, sexuality, and class, this book looks at the deliberate expression and manipulation of identity through the use of material goods, and how individuals single out aspects of themselves in order to project or conceal particular characteristics.

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