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*The pioneering work of Johann Winckelmann (1717-1768) identified a homoerotic appreciation of male beauty in classical Greek sculpture, a fascination that had endured in Western art since the Greeks. After Winckelmann, however, sometimes the value (even the possibility) of queer beauty in art was denied. Several theorists after Winckelmann, notably the philosopher Immanuel Kant, broke sexual attraction and aesthetic appreciation into separate or dueling domains. In turn, sexual desire and aesthetic pleasure conceived as discrete*

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*categories had to be profoundly rethought by later writers. Davis argues that these disjunct domains could be rejoined by such innovative thinkers as John Addington Symonds, Michel Foucault, and Richard Wollheim, who reclaimed earlier insights about the mutual implication of sexuality and aesthetics.*

*Addressing texts by Arthur Schopenhauer, Charles Darwin, Oscar Wilde, Vernon Lee, and Sigmund Freud, among many others, Davis criticizes modern approaches, such as Kantian idealism, Darwinism, psychoanalysis, and analytic aesthetics, for either reducing aesthetics to a question of sexuality or for removing sexuality from the aesthetic field*

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*altogether. Despite these schematic reductions, sexuality always returns to aesthetics, and aesthetic considerations always recur in sexuality. Davis particularly shows that formal philosophies of art since the late-eighteenth century have had to respond to nonstandard sexuality, especially homoeroticism, and that theories of nonstandard sexuality have drawn on aesthetics in significant ways. Many of the most imaginative and penetrating critics wrestled productively, though often inconclusively and "against themselves," with the aesthetic making of new forms of sexual life and new forms of art made from reconstituted sexualities. Through a critique*

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*that confronts history, philosophy, science, psychology, and dominant theories of art and sexuality, Davis challenges privileged types of sexual and aesthetic creation imagined in modern culture-and still assumed today.*

*With its unique focus on how culture contributed to the blurring of ideological boundaries between the East and the West, this important volume offers fascinating insights into the tensions, rivalries and occasional cooperation between the two blocs. Encompassing developments in both the arts and sciences, the authors analyze focal points, aesthetic preferences and cultural phenomena through topics as*

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*wide-ranging as the East- and West German interior design; the Soviet stance on genetics; US cultural diplomacy during and after the Cold War; and the role of popular music as a universal cultural ambassador. Well positioned at the cutting edge of Cold War studies, this important work illuminates some of the striking paradoxes involved in the production and reception of culture in East and West. This publication examines art, the human sciences, science, philosophy, mysticism, language and literature. For this task, UNESCO has chosen scholars and experts from all over the world who belong to widely divergent cultural and religious backgrounds.--Publisher's*

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*description.*

*Even a decade after his death, Clement Greenberg remains controversial. One of the most influential art writers of the twentieth century, Greenberg propelled Abstract Expressionist painting-in particular the monumental work of Jackson Pollock-to a leading position in an international postwar art world. On radio and in print, Greenberg was the voice of "the new American painting," and a central figure in the postwar cultural history of the United States. Caroline Jones's magisterial study widens Greenberg's fundamental tenet of "opticality"-the idea that modernist art is apprehended through "eyesight alone"-to a*

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*broader arena, examining how the critic's emphasis on the specular resonated with a society increasingly invested in positivist approaches to the world.*

*Greenberg's modernist discourse, Jones argues, developed in relation to the rationalized procedures that gained wide currency in the United States at midcentury, in fields ranging from the sense-data protocols theorized by scientific philosophy to the development of cultural forms, such as hi-fi, that targeted specific senses, one by one.*

*Greenberg's attempt to isolate and celebrate the visual was one manifestation of a large-scale segmentation-or bureaucratization-of the body's senses. Working through these*

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*historical developments, Jones brings Greenberg's theories into contemporary philosophical debates about agency and subjectivity. Eyesight Alone offers artists, art historians, philosophers, and all those interested in the arts a critical history of this generative figure, bringing his work fully into dialogue with the ideas that shape contemporary critical discourse and shedding light not only on Clement Greenberg but also on the contested history of modernism itself.*

*Witness to Phenomenon  
Abstract Painting in Canada  
A Critical Anthology  
Rereading Abstract  
Expressionism, Clement  
Greenberg and the Cold War*

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*A Painter S Life*

*Minimal Art*

*The Esthetic Theory of Ayn Rand*

***Modernism in Havana***

***reached its climax during the turbulent years of the 1950s as a generation of artists took up abstraction as a means to advance artistic and political goals in the name of Cuba Libre. During a decade of insurrection and, ultimately, revolution, abstract art signaled the country's cultural worldliness and its purchase within the international avant-garde. This pioneering book***

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*offers the first in-depth examination of Cuban art during that time, following the intersecting trajectories of the artist groups Los Once and Los Diez against a dramatic backdrop of modernization and armed rebellion.*

*Abigail McEwen explores the activities of a constellation of artists and writers invested in the ideological promises of abstraction, and reflects on art's capacity to effect radical social change. Featuring previously unpublished artworks, new archival*

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*research, and extensive primary sources, this remarkable volume excavates a rich cultural history with links to the development of abstraction in Europe and the Americas.*

*"The Emergence of video processing tools presents stories of the development of early video tools and systems designed and built by artists and technologists during the late 1960s and 1970s. Split over two volumes, the contributors examine the intersection of art and science and look at*

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*collaborations among inventors, designers, and artists trying to create new video tools to capture and manipulate images in fascinating and revolutionary ways. Volume two includes the section 'Tools' that describes the particular collaborations and technologies that created these custom-made video instruments. The contributors include 'video pioneers' who have been active since the emergence of the aesthetic, and technologists who continue to design, build, and hack*

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*media tools."--Back cover.  
The British painter  
Francis Bacon (1909–1992)  
is famed for his  
idiosyncratic mode of  
depicting the human  
figure. Thirty years after  
his death, his working  
methods remain  
underexplored. New  
research on the Francis  
Bacon Studio Archive at  
Hugh Lane Gallery, Dublin,  
sheds light on the genesis  
of his works, namely the  
photographic source  
material he collected in  
his studios, on which he  
consistently based his  
paintings. The book brings*

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*together the artist's pictorial springboards for the first time, delineating and interpreting recurring patterns and methods in his preparatory work and adoption of photographic material. In addition, it correctly locates 'chance' as a driving force in Bacon's working method and qualifies the significance of photography for the painter.*

*A Times Literary Supplement's Book of the Year 2020 A New Statesman's Best Book of 2020 A Bloomberg's Best*

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***Book of 2020 A Guardian Best Book About Ideas of 2020 The world-renowned philosopher and author of the bestselling Justice explores the central question of our time: What has become of the common good? These are dangerous times for democracy. We live in an age of winners and losers, where the odds are stacked in favor of the already fortunate. Stalled social mobility and entrenched inequality give the lie to the American credo that "you can make it if you try". The consequence is a brew***

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*of anger and frustration that has fueled populist protest and extreme polarization, and led to deep distrust of both government and our fellow citizens--leaving us morally unprepared to face the profound challenges of our time. World-renowned philosopher Michael J. Sandel argues that to overcome the crises that are upending our world, we must rethink the attitudes toward success and failure that have accompanied globalization and rising inequality. Sandel shows the hubris a meritocracy*

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*generates among the winners and the harsh judgement it imposes on those left behind, and traces the dire consequences across a wide swath of American life. He offers an alternative way of thinking about success--more attentive to the role of luck in human affairs, more conducive to an ethic of humility and solidarity, and more affirming of the dignity of work. The Tyranny of Merit points us toward a hopeful vision of a new politics of the common good.*

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*The Atlantic Monthly*  
*Understanding the American*  
*Avante-garde Cinema*

*The Cultural Cold War in*  
*East and West*

*Group ZERO and the*  
*Development of New Media*  
*in Postwar European Art*  
*Developments in Theory and*  
*Practice*

*French News*

*Revolutionary Horizons*

*"This book explores the*  
*relation of abstract art to*  
*nature. Traditional*  
*picturing and sculpture are*  
*based on conventions of*  
*resemblance between the work*  
*and that which it is a*  
*representation "of."*

*Abstract works, in contrast,*

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*adopt alternative modes of visual representation, or break down and reconfigure the mimetic conventions of pictorial art and sculpture. Obviously this means that abstract art takes many different forms. However, this diversity should not mask some key structural features; these center on two basic relations to nature (understanding nature in the broadest sense to comprise the world of recognisable objects, creatures, organisms, processes, and states of affairs). The first involves abstracting from nature, to give selected aspects of it a new and extremely*

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*unfamiliar appearance. The second involves abstract art as the affirmation of a relatively unconstrained natural creativity that issues in new, autonomous forms that are not constrained by mimetic conventions. (Such creativity is often attributed to the power of the unconscious.)* The book contains three categories of essays: 1) those on classical modernism (Mondrian, Malevich, Kandinsky, Arp, early American abstraction), 2) those on post-war abstraction (Pollock, Still, Newman, Smithson, Noguchi, Arte Povera, Michaux,

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postmodern developments), and 3) those of a broader art historical and philosophical scope"-- Critic and art historian Meyer, a leading authority on Minimalism, examines the style from its inception to its broader cultural influence. This sourcebook features an excellent selection of nearly 300 color and b&w images to illustrate the surprising variety of the work. A personal account of the tattoo artist's journey from humble beginnings in 1960s California through his rise to a lucrative international brand includes coverage of such topics as his artistic

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*endeavors in childhood, work with famous period artists and witness to the tattoo renaissance at the end of the 20th century.*

*Witness of Phenomenon articulates a fresh examination of the German Group Zero-Heinz Mack, Otto Piene, and Günter Uecker-and other new tendency artists, who rejected painting and introduced new art media in postwar Europe. Group ZERO evolved into a network across Europe- Amsterdam, Milan, Paris, and Zagreb. This pan-European affiliation of artists generated a continuous stream of innovative artistic statements through*

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*the 1960s, incorporating non-traditional materials and new technologies to create kinetic art, light installations, performances, immersive multimedia installations, monumental land art, and the communication media of video and television. They transformed the visual arts from the inanimate objet d'art to a sensory experience by adopting the ascendant philosophy of Phenomenology as their conceptual foundation. Drawing from a decade of research on unpublished archives of the artists and critics of this period, this publication positions Group*

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*ZERO as a catalytic art  
moment in the transition  
from modern to contemporary  
art.*

*3. From Impressionism to  
Kandinsky*

*Time-Limited Art*

*Psychotherapy*

*After the Avant-Gardes*

*Modern Theories of Art: From  
impressionism to Kandinsky*

*Between Nature and Theory*

*What's Become of the Common  
Good?*

*The Child as Visual Artist*

The aim of this book is to provide an account of modernist painting that follows on from the aesthetic theory of Theodor W. Adorno. It offers a materialist account of

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modernism with detailed discussions of modern aesthetics from Kant to Arthur Danto, Stanley Cavell, and Adorno. It discusses in detail competing accounts of modernism: Clement Greenberg, Michael Fried, Yve-Alain Bois, and Thierry de Duve; and it discusses several painters and artists in detail: Pieter de Hooch, Jackson Pollock, Robert Ryman, Cindy Sherman, and Chaim Soutine. Its central thesis is that modernist painting exemplifies a form of rationality that is an alternative to the instrumental rationality of enlightened modernity. Modernist paintings

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exemplify how nature and the sociality of meaning can be reconciled.

A Memoir of Creativity chronicles one woman's life journey as she derives a theory, revealing meaning in abstract painting, from varied personal and professional experiences, and tells how she locates this theory within a broader social context. In 1966, Piri Halasz became the first woman within living memory to write a cover story for Time (and not just any cover story, either: the notorious one on Swinging London ). With wit and wisdom, she provides a glimpse into her

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red-diaper childhood, as well as reporting on her climb at Time from research to the writing staff. Vividly, she describes her controversial career as a female journalist during the sixties, offering an inside view of newsweekly rivalries during that tempestuous decade. Halasz then moves on to her initiation into the art world, her lively interaction with some of its most distinguished denizens and her immersion in graduate school. She concludes with what she has learned about art, art history, and history itself since the early eighties, applying that knowledge to

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better understand the twenty-first century. Through sharing her life story, Halasz encourages others to remain open to new experiences, to try different ways of seeing, and to use creativity to tackle hurdles.

This is a collection of writings by and about the work of the 1960s minimalists, illustrated with photographs of paintings, sculptures and performance. Since the 1970s, it has been argued that Abstract Expressionism was exhibited abroad by the post-war US establishment in an attempt to culturally match and reinforce its newfound economic and

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military dominance. The account of Abstract Expressionism developed by the American critic Clement Greenberg is often identified as central to these efforts. However, this book rereads Greenberg's account through Theodor Adorno and Maurice Merleau-Ponty in order to contend that Greenberg's criticism in fact testifies to how Abstract Expressionism opposes the ends to which it was deployed. With reference not only to the most famous artists of the movement, but also female artists and artists of colour whom Greenberg himself neglected, such as Joan

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Mitchell and Norman Lewis, it is argued that, far from reinforcing the capitalist status quo, Abstract Expressionism engages corporeal and affective elements of experience dismissed or delegitimated by capitalism, and promises a world that would do justice to them.

The Emergence of Video  
Processing Tools

Theatre and arts

Sexuality and Aesthetics from  
Winckelmann to Freud and  
Beyond

Late Modernism and the  
Meaning of Painting

David Park

Divided Dreamworlds?

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Transitional Paintings

Convinced that all aspects of modern culture have been affected by avant-garde art, Poggioli explores the relationship between the avant-garde and civilization. Historical parallels and modern examples from all the arts are used to show how the avant-garde is both symptom and cause of many major extra-aesthetic trends of our time, and that the contemporary avant-garde is the sole and authentic one.

This Element focuses on the development of drawing (and painting) in childhood. The author begins by examining children's representational drawing, a topic that has received quite wide

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attention from the nineteenth century on. The author then turns to issues that have received far less attention and discusses the aesthetic property of expression, weighing the claim that young children's highly expressive drawings bear an affinity to twentieth century modernist art. The author then examines the function of drawing for children's emotional development. Next, looking at art prodigies, the author turns to the how of drawing, considering the relation of drawing talent to IQ and to visual-spatial skills. Finally, the author considers the relation between development and education in art and how educators can best nurture

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children's artistic development. This book highlights a number of issues at the leading edge of both research and policy making, such as knowledge generation/production, knowledge distribution/transfer, knowledge spillovers, learning, knowledge management, information logistics, industrial clusters, industrial networks and regional innovation systems. This book will appeal to academics and researchers of knowledge management, technology and innovation and industrial organisation. Policy makers and planners in international organisations, national and regional governments - in particular those dealing with R

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& D policies, industrial policies and regional policies - will also find much to engage them.

Rejecting the typical view of formalism's exclusive engagement with essentialized and purified notions of abstraction and its disengagement from issues of gender and embodiment, Brennan explores the ways in which these categories were intertwined.

Historically and theoretically."--Jacket.

The Evolution of Conceptual Art In America

The Tyranny of Merit

Art and Social Change in Latin America and the United States

Architecture, Liberalism, and the Market

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### The Tyranny of Abstract Art Art History After Modernism Abstract Painting, Politics & the Media, 1956-2008

A rallying call for all those who have been disquieted or disgusted by the excesses of artistic modernism. This is a collection of ten provocative essays on the arts, by writers of varied orientations who share a skepticism about the exaggerated role of modernism and the successive avant-gardes in shaping what is accepted as valid contemporary art. The essays cover painting and other visual arts, literature, music, and general observations about all the arts. It is not an exercise in hand-wringing about the current state of the arts, but looks for different directions in which the arts may now fruitfully evolve. Despite the

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diverse philosophies of the contributors, these essays together constitute a formidable case against the unhealthy impact of avant-gardism on our lives and aesthetic culture. The essays include the following, among others: a study of anti-modernist painter Odd Nerdrum, who sees modernist art as totalitarian; a critique of the avant-gardist neglect of mimesis as a key to art; an evaluation of “the end of art”; a critique of modern art in light of “the aesthetic harm principle”; an examination of Popper's objections to progressivism in music; the presentation of a new paradigm for literature.

Addresses the question of how--and to what extent--viewers can make sense of American avant-garde films. Peterson examines the implicit assumptions of other scholars,

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advocates an alternative to dominant approaches to the avant-garde cinema, and questions some long-standing clichés about the history of the avant garde. Includes numerous (but tiny) photographs. Paper edition (unseen), \$19.95. Annotation copyright by Book News, Inc., Portland, OR

The Tyranny of Abstract Art  
What Art Is  
The Esthetic Theory of Ayn Rand  
Open Court

In this volume, the third in his classic series of texts surveying the history of art theory, Moshe Barasch traces the hidden patterns and interlocking themes in the study of art, from Impressionism to Abstract Art. Barasch details the immense social changes in the creation, presentation, and reception of art which have set the history of art theory on a vertiginous new course: the decreased relevance of

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workshops and art schools; the replacement of the treatise by the critical review; and the interrelation of new modes of scientific inquiry with artistic theory and praxis. The consequent changes in the ways in which critics as well as artists conceptualized paintings and sculptures were radical, marked by an obsession with intense, immediate sensory experiences, psychological reflection on the effects of art, and a magnetic pull to the exotic and alien, making for the most exciting and fertile period in the history of art criticism.

Art and Polemics in 1950s Cuba  
Culture and Learning in Islam  
Matisse, the New York School, and Post-painterly Abstraction  
Catalogue of the Harvard University Fine Arts Library, the Fogg Art Museum  
Eyesight Alone

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Dreams of Chaos, Visions of Order  
Francis Bacon – In the Mirror of  
Photography

**The title of this collection of paintings is named transitional because they represent a definite movement from realistic elements to abstract painting. There have been periods when I only painted abstract geometric compositions, sometimes purely abstract. I recently explored a very traditional form of painting figures, landscapes, seascapes and still-life. In considering a new series of paintings, I researched the Bay Area figure painters. I went to art school in the Bay Area and along with enjoying the rediscovery of Theibaud and Diebenkorn and Oliveira, I came across new painters I had not appreciated before. One of them especially moved me, Sandy Ostrau. I began focusing on researching and**

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viewing as many paintings as I could find. For some reason these paintings immediately spoke to me and taught me something I had been looking for. The dilemma of abstraction vs realistic details in painting. At once I was freed from the tyranny of the details of a figure or a land/seascape. The model was no longer a specific person with features that made them more or less beautiful. But rather a figure to be represented in any manner that the painting needed. Now, when I look at a landscape, or a figure, I see entirely different sets of information. It is simply about making a painting, of texture, color, shapes, lines etc. and their relationship to each other. A tree isn't a specific tree, it's a painted object. A figure isn't a specific recognizable person, but an object in a painting. I am free to simply enjoy the process of painting itself, with

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**the objects entirely  
subjugated.note:Each section contains  
examples of Realistic and Transitional  
Abstract Paintings**

**First published in 2001. Routledge is an  
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informa company.**

**Anthony Fontenot's staggeringly  
ambitious book uncovers the  
surprisingly libertarian heart of the  
most influential British and American  
architectural and urbanist discourses of  
the postwar period, expressed as a  
critique of central design and a support  
of spontaneous order. Non-Design  
illuminates the unexpected  
philosophical common ground between  
enemies of state support, most  
prominently the economist Friedrich  
Hayek, and numerous notable postwar  
architects and urbanists like Robert  
Venturi, Denise Scott Brown, Reyner**

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**Banham, and Jane Jacobs. These thinkers espoused a distinctive concept of "non-design," characterized by a rejection of conscious design and an embrace of various phenomenon that emerge without intention or deliberate human guidance. This diffuse and complex body of theories discarded many of the cultural presuppositions of the time, shunning the traditions of modern design in favor of the wisdom, freedom, and self-organizing capacity of the market. Fontenot reveals the little-known commonalities between the aesthetic deregulation sought by ostensibly liberal thinkers and Hayek's more controversial conception of state power, detailing what this unexplored affinity means for our conceptions of political liberalism. Non-Design thoroughly recasts conventional views of postwar architecture and urbanism,**

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as well as liberal and libertarian philosophies.

**This volume presents an overview of the social history of modern and contemporary Latin American and Latino art. This collection of thirty-three essays focuses on Latin American artists throughout Mexico, Central and South America, the Caribbean, and the United States. The author provides a chronology of modern Latin American art; a history of "social art history" in the United States; and synopses of recent theoretical and historical writings by major scholars from Mexico, Cuba, Brazil, Peru, Uruguay, Chile, and the United States. In her essays, she discusses a vast array of topics including: the influence of the Mexican muralists on the American continent; the political and artistic significance of poster art and**

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**printmaking in Cuba, Puerto Rico, and among Chicanos; the role of women artists such as Guatemalan painter Isabel Ruiz; and the increasingly important role of politics and multinational businesses in the art world of the 1970s and 1980s. She explores the reception of Latin American and Latino art in the United States, focusing on major historical exhibits as well as on exhibits by artists such as Chilean Alfredo Jaar and Argentinean Leandro Katz. Finally, she examines the significance of nationalist and ethnic themes in Latin American and Latino art.**

**The Theory of the Avant-garde  
Against Voluptuous Bodies  
Knowledge Spillovers and Knowledge Management  
Minimalism  
Collecting, Preparatory Practice and**

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## **Painting**

## **Queer Beauty**

## **Theories of Art**

What is art? The arts establishment has a simple answer: anything is art if a reputed artist or expert says it is. Though many people are skeptical about the alleged new art forms that have proliferated since the early twentieth century, today's critics claim that all such work, however incomprehensible, is art. A groundbreaking alternative to this view is provided by philosopher-novelist Ayn Rand (1901-1982). Best known as the author of *The Fountainhead* and *Atlas Shrugged*, Rand also created an original and illuminating theory of art, which confirms the widespread view that much of today's purported art is not really art at all. In *What Art Is*,

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Torres and Kamhi present a lucid introduction to Rand's esthetic theory, contrasting her ideas with those of other thinkers. They conclude that, in its basic principles, her account is compelling, and is corroborated by evidence from anthropology, neurology, cognitive science, and psychology. The authors apply Rand's theory to a debunking of the work of prominent modernists and postmodernists—from Mondrian, Jackson Pollock, and Samuel Beckett to John Cage, Merce Cunningham, and other highly regarded postmodernist figures. Finally, they explore the implications of Rand's ideas for the issues of government and corporate support of the arts, art law, and art education. "This is one of the most interesting, provocative, and well-written books on aesthetics

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that I know. While fully accessible to the general reader, *What Art Is* should be of great interest to specialists as well. Ayn Rand's largely unknown writings on art—especially as interpreted, released from dogma, and smoothed out by Torres and Kamhi—are remarkably refined. Moreover, her ideas are positively therapeutic after a century of artistic floundering and aesthetic quibbling. Anyone interested in aesthetics, in the purpose of art, or in the troubling issues posed by modernism and post modernism should read this book."

—Randall R. Dipert Author of *Artifacts, Art Works, and Agency*  
"Torres and Kamhi effectively situate Rand's long-neglected esthetic theory in the wider history of ideas. They not only illuminate her

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significant contribution to an understanding of the nature of art; they also apply her ideas to a trenchant critique of the twentieth century's 'advanced art.' Their exposure of the invalidity of abstract art is itself worth the price of admission." —Chris Matthew Sciabarra Author of *Ayn Rand: The Russian Radical* "Rand's aesthetic theory merits careful study and thoughtful criticism, which Torres and Kamhi provide. Their scholarship is sound, their presentation is clear, and their judgment is refreshingly free from the biases that Rand's supporters and detractors alike tend to bring to considerations of her work." —Stephen Cox University of California, San Diego

After the overwhelming success of the original, this lavishly illustrated

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and superbly printed art book is now available in trade paper. From the sometimes eccentric but remarkable work, rooted in symbolism and theosophy, of pioneers such as Kathleen Munn, Bertram Brooker and Lawren Harris, to the Automatistes in Montreal, to the conceptual art movement in Halifax, the urge to abstraction in art is spread wide across Canada. *Abstract Painting in Canada* covers the movement throughout the twentieth century, including highlights from 1940s Montreal and the Clement Greenberg-influenced Prairies in the sixties and seventies. The book continues through the eighties and nineties, during which critics largely denounced painting, and concludes in the twenty-first century, with abstract painting alive and well again

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in the studios of Canada's young artists. A monumental tome containing 200 colour reproductions, it mines a rich vein of art history ripe for international discovery.

In this uniquely wide-ranging book, David Craven investigates the extraordinary impact of three Latin American revolutions on the visual arts and on cultural policy. The three great upheavals - in Mexico (1910-40), in Cuba (1959-89), and in Nicaragua (1979-90) - were defining moments in twentieth-century life in the Americas. Craven discusses the structural logic of each movement's artistic project - by whom, how, and for whom artworks were produced -- and assesses their legacies. In each case, he demonstrates how the consequences of the revolution reverberated in the arts and cultures

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far beyond national borders. The book not only examines specific artworks originating from each revolution's attempt to deal with the challenge of 'socializing the arts,' but also the engagement of the working classes in Mexico, Cuba, and Nicaragua with a tradition of the fine arts made newly accessible through social transformation. Craven considers how each revolution dealt with the pressing problem of creating a 'dialogical art' -- one that reconfigures the existing artistic resource rather than one that just reproduces a populist art to keep things as they were. In addition, the author charts the impact on the revolutionary processes of theories of art and education, articulated by such thinkers as John Dewey and Paulo Freire. The book provides a

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fascinating new view of the Latin American revolutionaries -- from artists to political leaders -- who defined art as a fundamental force for the transformation of society and who bequeathed new ways of thinking about the relations among art, ideology, and class, within a revolutionary process.

In this beautifully illustrated biography, compiled from comprehensive and sweeping interviews, Nancy Boas traces Parks' resolute search for a new kind of figuration, one that would penetrate abstract expressionism's thickly layered surfaces and infuse them with human presence.

Clement Greenberg's *Modernism and the Bureaucratization of the Senses*  
Art and Polemics in the Sixties  
From Impressionism to Kandinsky

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Art and Revolution in Latin America,  
1910-1990

What Art Is

Modernism's Masculine Subjects

Dimensions of the Americas

Time-limited Art Psychotherapy:

Developments in Theory and

Practice comes at a watershed in  
the provision of art

psychotherapy in public services.

The increase in 'payment by  
results', clinical throughput and

evidence-based practice, as well  
as the changing NHS context

means there is an increasing  
need to provide effective

therapeutic treatments within  
brief time limits where

appropriate. The book brings  
together the developments in

theory and practice in time-  
limited working strategies

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emerging in the field. The contributors, all practising therapists, examine the practice of time-limited art therapy with different clients in a range of settings, with a variety of approaches, showing how they react and adapt to the changing face of mental health services. Time-limited Art Psychotherapy will be essential reading to trainers and trainees in art psychotherapy and other schools of psychotherapy who integrate creative approaches within their practice. It will also form a useful contribution to the continuing professional development for a range of psychological therapists and practitioners of integrated psychotherapies such as CAT and mentalisation based therapies

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amongst others.

"Art history after modernism" does not only mean that art looks different today; it also means that our discourse on art has taken a different direction, if it is safe to say it has taken a direction at all. So begins Hans Belting's brilliant, iconoclastic reconsideration of art and art history at the end of the millennium, which builds upon his earlier and highly successful volume, *The End of the History of Art?*. "Known for his striking and original theories about the nature of art," according to the *Economist*, Belting here examines how art is made, viewed, and interpreted today. Arguing that contemporary art has burst out of the frame that

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art history had built for it, Belting calls for an entirely new approach to thinking and writing about art. He moves effortlessly between contemporary issues—the rise of global and minority art and its consequences for Western art history, installation and video art, and the troubled institution of the art museum—and questions central to art history's definition of itself, such as the distinction between high and low culture, art criticism versus art history, and the invention of modernism in art history. Forty-eight black and white images illustrate the text, perfectly reflecting the state of contemporary art. With *Art History after Modernism*, Belting retains his place as one of the

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