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Our lives are saturated by color. We live in a world of vivid colors, and color marks our psychological and social existence. But for all color's inescapability, we don't know much about it. Now authors David Scott Kastan and Stephen Farthing offer a fresh and imaginative exploration of one of the most intriguing and least understood aspects of everyday experience. Kastan and Farthing, a scholar and a painter, respectively, investigate color from numerous perspectives: literary, historical, cultural, anthropological, philosophical, art historical, political, and scientific. In ten lively and wide-ranging chapters, each devoted to a different color, they examine the various ways colors have shaped and continue to shape our social and moral imaginations. Each individual color becomes the focal point for a consideration of one of the extraordinary ways in which color appears and matters in our lives. Beautifully produced in full color, this book is a remarkably smart, entertaining, and fascinating guide to this elusive topic.

An extraordinary collection—hawk-eyed and understanding—from the Man Booker Prize-winning, best-selling author of *The Sense of an Ending* and *Levels of Life*. As Julian Barnes notes: “Flaubert believed that it was impossible to explain one art form in terms of another, and that great paintings required no words of explanation. Braque thought the ideal state would be reached when we said nothing at all in front of a painting . . . But it is a rare picture that stuns, or argues, us into silence. And if one does, it is only a short time before we want to explain and understand the very silence into which we have been plunged.” This is the exact dynamic that informs his new book. In his 1989 novel *A History of the World in 10½ Chapters*, Barnes had a chapter on Géricault’s *The Raft of the Medusa*, and since then he has written about many great masters of nineteenth- and twentieth-century art, including Delacroix, Manet, Fantin-Latour, Cézanne, Degas, Redon, Bonnard, Vuillard, Vallotton, Braque, Magritte, Oldenburg, Lucian Freud and Howard Hodgkin. The seventeen essays gathered here help trace the arc from Romanticism to Realism and into Modernism; they are adroit, insightful and, above all, a true pleasure to read.

The *livre d'artiste*, or 'artist's book', born out of the French Belle Epoque, is a celebration of high aestheticism and refined craftsmanship. Matisse's eight limited-edition, painstakingly crafted *livres d'artiste* were created during a period of illness and intense personal suffering for the artist, and conflict and occupation for France. Vilified by peers such as Picasso for remaining in the 'Free' Vichy Zone throughout the Second World War, and sidelined by the conservatism of the critical establishment, Matisse produced these works at a key turning point, before the extraordinary 'second life' of his paper cut-outs. In concert with an eclectic selection of poetry, drama and, tantalizingly, the artist's own words, the books' images offer an astonishing portrait of creative resistance and regeneration. But while individual elements are widely reproduced, their origins and context are often overlooked. With deftness and sensitivity, Louise Rogers Lalaurie reintroduces us to Matisse's books. Examining the page-by-page interplay between text and images, translating key sequences and discussing each book's distinct themes and context, the author offers the thoughtful, illuminating close reading they require. Generously illustrated with archival images and new photography, *Matisse: The Books* offers readers unprecedented insight into the experience of reading - and looking at - Matisse's books.

'Never does that old maxim "the harder I practise, the luckier I get" ring truer' - Matt Stuart Street photography may look like luck, but you have to get out there and hone your craft if you want to shake up those luck vibes. From understanding how to be invisible on a busy street, to anticipating a great image in the chaos of a crowd, over 20 chapters Matt Stuart reveals the hard-won skills and secrets that have led to his greatest shots. Illustrated throughout with 100 of Stuart's images, this is a unique opportunity to learn from one of the finest street photographers around.

The *Designer's Dictionary of Color* provides an in-depth look at 30 colors key to art and graphic design. Organized by spectrum, in color-by-color sections for easy navigation, this book documents each hue with charts showing color range and palette variations. Chapters detail each color's creative history and cultural associations, with examples of color use that extend from the artistic to the utilitarian—whether the turquoise on a Reid Miles album cover or the avocado paint job on a 1970s Dodge station wagon. A practical and inspirational resource for designers and students alike, *The Designer's Dictionary of Color* opens up the world of color for all those who seek to harness its incredible power. Enjoy all your favourite films in an instant, told through hilarious infographics. In today's jet-fuelled, caffeine-charged, celebrity-a-minute world, who actually has the time to watch a film from start to finish? Let's face it, life's too short. Now, *Film in Five Seconds* lets you fast-forward to the best bits so you can enjoy all your favourite movie moments in - literally - moments. Design studio H-57 have taken over 150 iconic films and cut away all the useless details, boiling them down into ingenious pictograms and creating hilarious visual snapshots that are witty, provocative and to the point. From Batman to Bridget Jones, Grease to The Godfather, King Kong to The King's Speech, via slapstick, sci-fi and superheroes, you'll laugh out loud as you identify some of the greatest screen moments of all time. This is the perfect book for film buffs and anyone with a sense of humour or a short attention span.

"As the case with her fiction, Berlin's pieces here are as faceted as the brightest diamond." --Kristin Iversen, *NYLON* NEW YORK TIMES BOOK REVIEW EDITORS' CHOICE.

Named a Fall Read by BuzzFeed, Vulture, Newsday and HuffPost A compilation of sketches, photographs, and letters, *Welcome Home* is an essential nonfiction companion to the stories by Lucia Berlin Before Lucia Berlin died, she was working on a book of previously unpublished autobiographical sketches called *Welcome Home*. The work consisted of more than twenty chapters that started in 1936 in Alaska and ended (prematurely) in 1966 in southern Mexico. In our publication of *Welcome Home*, her son Jeff Berlin is filling

in the gaps with photos and letters from her eventful, romantic, and tragic life. From Alaska to Argentina, Kentucky to Mexico, New York City to Chile, Berlin's world was wide. And the writing here is, as we've come to expect, dazzling. She describes the places she lived and the people she knew with all the style and wit and heart and humor that readers fell in love with in her stories. Combined with letters from and photos of friends and lovers, *Welcome Home* is an essential nonfiction companion to *A Manual for Cleaning Women* and *Evening in Paradise*.

An interior look at Roberto Calasso's work as a publisher and his reflections on the art of book publishing In this fascinating memoir, the author and publisher Roberto Calasso meditates on the art of book publishing. Recalling the beginnings of Adelphi in the 1960s, he touches on the Italian house's defining qualities, including the considerations involved in designing the successful *Biblioteca* series and the strategy for publishing a wide range of authors of high literary quality, as well as the historic critical edition of the works of Nietzsche. With his signature erudition and polemical flair, Calasso transcends Adelphi to look at the publishing industry as a whole, from the essential importance of graphics, jackets, and cover flaps to the consequences of universal digitization. And he outlines what he describes as the "most hazardous and ambitious" profile of what a publishing house can be: a book comprising many books, a form in which "all the books published by a certain publisher could be seen as links in a single chain"—a conception akin to that of other twentieth-century publishers, from Giulio Einaudi to Roger Straus, of whom the book offers brief portraits. An essential book for writers, readers, and editors, *The Art of the Publisher* is a tribute to the elusive yet profoundly relevant art of making books.

In this wide-ranging book, renowned philosopher and cultural theorist Peter Sloterdijk examines art in all its rich and varied forms: from music to architecture, light to movement, and design to typography. Moving between the visible and the invisible, the audible and the inaudible, his analyses span the centuries, from ancient civilizations to contemporary Hollywood. With great verve and insight he considers the key issues that have faced thinkers from Aristotle to Adorno, looking at art in its relation to ethics, metaphysics, society, politics, anthropology and the subject. Sloterdijk explores a variety of topics, from the Greco-Roman invention of postcards to the rise of the capitalist art market, from the black boxes and white cubes of modernism to the growth of museums and memorial culture. In doing so, he extends his characteristic method of defamiliarization to transform the way we look at works of art and artistic movements. His bold and original approach leads us away from the well-trodden paths of conventional art history to develop a theory of aesthetics which rejects strict categorization, emphasizing instead the crucial importance of individual subjectivity as a counter to the latent dangers of collective culture. This sustained reflection, at once playful, serious and provocative, goes to the very heart of Sloterdijk's enduring philosophical preoccupation with the aesthetic. It will be essential reading for students and scholars of philosophy and aesthetics and will appeal to anyone interested in culture and the arts more generally.

A behind-the-scenes look at leading contemporary artists at work, with original art projects to recreate at home *Open Studio* goes behind closed doors with a host of prominent visual artists to capture them in the act of creation as they draw, paint, sculpt, or design an original project for readers to then recreate themselves at home. Showcasing the artists' working environments and specific processes, this innovative book leads us step-by-step through each artist's project and supplies pull-out templates and other essential elements. The result is sure to inspire people everywhere to blaze their own creative trails.

El color informa, seduce, narra, ordena, camufla... «Para comprender el color debemos escuchar la voz de filósofos y tintoreros, biólogos y artistas, escritores y empresarios, físicos y astrólogos, y también vendedores, pasteleros y otros.» RICCARDO FALCINELLI ¿Por qué Mondrian nunca emplea el verde y Hitchcock lo usa en abundancia? ¿Por qué tienen más éxito los lápices amarillos? ¿Por qué Flaubert viste de azul a madame Bovary? Aunque nos parezca obvio, hablar de colores planos o considerar el azul un color frío son invenciones muy recientes. Tal vez no nos demos cuenta, pero incluso cuando estamos ante un cuadro renacentista, tenemos en mente el amarillo de los Simpson. Quien conoce el color de la televisión ya no puede ver el mundo con los ojos del pasado. Las historias y ejemplos que recoge *Cromorama* nos descubren hasta qué punto el color es un filtro con el que contemplamos la realidad. En un libro tan colorido como divertido, que es también una "historia de nuestra mirada moderna y de cómo se ha formado", Falcinelli recorre un fascinante universo de imágenes procedentes de la pintura, la literatura, el cine, los cómics y los objetos cotidianos, que se nos muestran de un modo inusual y sorprendente. Todas las sociedades han construido sistemas simbólicos en los que el color desempeñaba un papel central -el negro para el luto, el rojo para el comunismo, el azul del manto de la Virgen-, pero la tecnología y el mercado nos han acostumbrado a nuevas percepciones y han modificado nuestro modo de ver el mundo. La crítica ha dicho «Un libro hermoso, particular. Falcinelli ha logrado escribir un libro sobre los colores que cubre los aspectos técnicos sin abandonar diversión que rara vez sucede. Un milagro.» Corrado Augias «De una belleza deslumbrante. Un objeto que desencadena el deseo, lleno de encantadoras imágenes.» Elena Stancanelli, *La Repubblica* THE SUNDAY TIMES BESTSELLER 'A mind-expanding tour of the world without leaving your paintbox. Every colour has a story, and here are some of the most alluring, alarming, and thought-provoking. Very hard painting the hallway magnolia after this inspiring primer.' Simon Garfield *The Secret Lives of Colour* tells the unusual stories of the 75 most fascinating shades, dyes and hues. From blonde to ginger, the brown that changed the way battles were fought to the white that protected against the plague, Picasso's blue period to the charcoal on the cave walls at Lascaux, acid yellow to kelly green, and from scarlet women to imperial purple, these surprising stories run like a bright thread throughout history. In this book Kassia St Clair has turned her lifelong obsession with colours and where they come from (whether Van Gogh's chrome yellow sunflowers or punk's fluorescent pink) into a unique study of human civilisation. Across fashion and politics, art and war, *The Secret Lives of Colour* tell the vivid story of our culture.

Sun Moon Star is the story of the birth of Jesus—as told by Kurt Vonnegut. This children's book takes the newborn Jesus' perspective, offering beautiful and insightful descriptions

of the world from someone newly born into it. In this book, we follow Jesus and meet the people most important to his life—presented in new and surprising ways. A powerful departure from Vonnegut's more adult work, *Sun Moon Star* gives readers a rare glimpse of the writer's talent in a format that's unique and unexpected. This book's well-crafted simplicity is sure to make it a favorite—with both children and adult readers who are Vonnegut fans.

We are no longer used to critically examining the meaning of “design”, which maintains an unexplored dimension in terms of the Power that can be exercised through the cyclic act of creation, preservation and disruption. This assumption induce us focus on the contrast between the “visible” side of the act that involves all its conceptual and practical manifestations, and a hidden or “dark” side that deals with politics and power play, but that however has an major influence in the process and its hierarchical dynamics. This implies an order on the surface seems to be naturally stirred by the so-called “perceptions” that reflect the preferences of overall public opinions: however, looking deeper, all the production acts involves a carefully controlled disequilibrium influenced by social, ecological, economical and political interests. The power flow in the act of “design” takes into consideration the paradoxical contradiction between its potentiality and its preservation of power.

This #1 Italian bestseller, offering a father's observations of the everyday moments that might otherwise go unnoticed, has struck a chord with readers around the globe. Matteo Bussola is a designer and cartoonist who lives in Verona, Italy with his wife Paola; their three young daughters, Virginia, Ginevra, and Melania (ages eight, four, and two); and their two dogs. For two years, he's been writing posts on Facebook capturing the beauty of ordinary moments with his family. *Sleepless Nights and Kisses for Breakfast* is the memoir that grew out of these writings. Divided into winter, spring, summer, and fall, the book follows the different seasons of parenthood and life. At times moving, and at others humorous, these writings remind people to savor the present and appreciate the simple things in life. As Matteo says, "Virginia, Ginevra, and Melania are the lens through which I observe the world. . . . My daughters remind me that being a father means living in that gray area between responsibility and carelessness, strength and softness." *Sleepless Nights and Kisses for Breakfast* is an eloquent memoir by a gifted storyteller. *Sleepless Nights and Kisses for Breakfast* is a winner of the 2017 Family Choice Awards.

A thrilling page-turner that also happens to be the biography of one of Russia's most controversial figures This is how Emmanuel Carrère, the magnetic journalist, novelist, filmmaker, and chameleon, describes his subject: "Limonov is not a fictional character. There. I know him. He has been a young punk in Ukraine, the idol of the Soviet underground; a bum, then a multimillionaire's butler in Manhattan; a fashionable writer in Paris; a lost soldier in the Balkans; and now, in the fantastic shambles of postcommunism, the elderly but charismatic leader of a party of young desperadoes. He sees himself as a hero; you might call him a scumbag: I suspend my judgment on the matter. It's a dangerous life, an ambiguous life: a real adventure novel. It is also, I believe, a life that says something. Not just about him, Limonov, not just about Russia, but about all our history since the end of the Second World War." So Eduard Limonov isn't fictional—but he might as well be. This pseudobiography isn't a novel, but it reads like one: from Limonov's grim childhood to his desperate, comical, ultimately successful attempts to gain the respect of Russia's literary intellectual elite; to his immigration to New York, then to Paris; to his return to the motherland. Limonov could be read as a charming picaresque. But it could also be read as a troubling counternarrative of the second half of the twentieth century, one that reveals a violence, an anarchy, a brutality, that the stories we tell ourselves about progress tend to conceal.

In the tradition of Jane Jacobs' *The Death and Life of Great American Cities* comes an urgent plea from internationally renowned art historian Salvatore Settis to preserve Venice's future. What is Venice worth? To whom does this urban treasure belong? Venetians are increasingly abandoning their hometown — there's now only one resident for every 140 visitors — and Venice's fragile fate has become emblematic of the future of historic cities everywhere as it capitulates to tourists and those who profit from them. In *If Venice Dies*, a fiery blend of history and cultural analysis, internationally renowned art historian Savatore Settis argues that “hit-and-run” visitors are turning landmark urban settings into shopping malls and theme parks. He warns that Western civilization's prime achievements face impending ruin from mass tourism and global cultural homogenization. This is a passionate plea to secure Venice's future, written with consummate authority, wide-ranging erudition, and élan.

Discusses the elements of a sign, and looks at pictograms, alphabets, calligraphy, monograms, text type, numerical signs, symbols, and trademarks

On 19 December 1601, John Croke, then Speaker of the House of Commons, addressed his colleagues: "If a question should be asked, What is the first and chief thing in a Commonwealth to be regarded? I should say, religion. If, What is the second? I should say, religion. If, What the third? I should still say, religion." But if religion was recognized as the "chief thing in a Commonwealth," we have been less certain what it does in Shakespeare's plays. Written and performed in a culture in which religion was indeed inescapable, the plays have usually been seen either as evidence of Shakespeare's own disinterested secularism or, more recently, as coded signposts to his own sectarian commitments. Based upon the inaugural series of the Oxford-Wells Shakespeare Lectures in 2008, *A Will to Believe* offers a thoughtful, surprising, and often moving consideration of how religion actually functions in them: not as keys to Shakespeare's own faith but as remarkably sensitive registers of the various ways in which religion charged the world in which he lived. The book shows what we know and can't know about Shakespeare's own beliefs, and demonstrates, in a series of wonderfully alert and agile readings, how the often fraught and vertiginous religious environment of Post-Reformation England gets refracted by the lens of Shakespeare's imagination.

In recent years we have seen a number of dramatic discoveries within the biological and related sciences. Traditional arguments such as "nature versus nurture" are rapidly disappearing because of the realization that just as we are affecting our environments, so too do these altered environments restructure our cognitive abilities and outlooks. If the biological and technological breakthroughs are promising benefits such as extended life expectancies, these same discoveries also have the potential to improve in significant ways the quality of our built environments. This poses a compelling challenge to conventional architectural theory... This is the first book to consider these new scientific and humanistic models in architectural terms. Constructed as a series of five essays around the themes of beauty, culture, emotion, the experience of architecture, and artistic play, this book draws upon a broad range of discussions taking place in philosophy, psychology, biology, neuroscience, and anthropology, and in doing so questions what implications these discussions hold for architectural design. Drawing upon a wealth of research, Mallgrave argues that we should turn our focus away from the objectification of architecture (treating design as the creation of objects) and redirect it back to those for whom we design: the people inhabiting our built environments.

THE BASIS FOR THE CANNES FILM FESTIVAL'S PALMA D'OR-NOMINATED FILM Set in an upper-middle-class Tel Aviv apartment building, this best-selling and warmly acclaimed Israeli novel examines the interconnected lives of its residents, whose turmoils, secrets, unreliable confessions, and problematic decisions reveal a society in the midst of an identity crisis. On the first floor, Arnon, a tormented retired officer who fought in the First Intifada, confesses to an army friend with a troubled military past how his obsession about his young daughter's safety led him to lose control and put his marriage in peril. Above Arnon lives Hani, known as "the widow," whose husband travels the world for his lucrative job while she stays at home with their two children, increasingly isolated and unstable. When her brother-in-law suddenly appears at their door begging her to hide him from loan sharks and the police, she agrees in spite of the risk to her family, if only to bring some emotional excitement into her life. On the top floor lives a former judge, Devora.

Eager to start a new life in her retirement, Devora joins a social movement, desperately tries to reconnect with her estranged son, and falls in love with a man who isn't what he seems. A brilliant novelist, Eshkol Nevo vividly depicts how the grinding effects of social and political ills play out in the psyche of his flawed yet compelling characters, in often unexpected and explosive ways.

Covers six steps for applying graphic design concepts to a finished product suitable for print and screen production, including special effects for color, printing processes, and different types of binding.

Choosing colors for your home can become an overwhelming and confusing process—there is just so much on offer. Love Color will help you to bring your favorite colors to life by successfully making all those challenging decisions. Renowned international color expert Anna Starmer takes you by the hand and guides you through this lavishly illustrated rainbow world of color combinations, teaching you everything you need to know about hues, tones, accents, and foundation colors along the way. Start by simply choosing a color you love, then take your inspiration from our accessible and practical palettes to create your own color combinations. This book also includes removable color chart booklet so you can note and match your perfect colors anytime you are out and about.

Logo Design Workbook focuses on creating powerful logo designs and answers the question, "What makes a logo work?" In the first half of this book, authors Sean Adams and Noreen Morioka walk readers step-by-step through the entire logo-development process. Topics include developing a concept that communicates the right message and is appropriate for both the client and the market; defining how the client's long-term goals might affect the look and needs of the mark; choosing colors and typefaces; avoiding common mistakes; and deciphering why some logos are successful whereas others are not. The second half of the book comprises in-depth case studies on logos designed for various industries. Each case study explores the design brief, the relationship with the client, the time frame, and the results.

A serial killer haunts the city streets, a stalker of isolated women who leaves a Santa Claus hat at the scene of his crimes. Pavel, a Russian émigré, assists the police investigation as a sketch artist. But Pavel's true calling is as a tattoo artist, and the so-called Bad Santa killings conjure up memories of the nightmarish world in which he learned his craft: a Russian prison camp that shattered his childhood and destroyed his family. Shifting between the living hell of a 1940s Siberian gulag and the crime-ridden chaos of New York City during the 1970s, this graphic novel's stunning artwork provides an atmospheric backdrop to its tale of corruption, murder, and revenge. Author Jerome Charyn was acclaimed by The New York Review of Books as "a fearless writer. Brave and brazen." This edition of Little Tulip, which was originally published in French, features Charyn's new English translation. Award-winning illustrator François Boucq also collaborated with Charyn on the acclaimed graphic novels The Magician's Wife and Billy Budd, KGB. Suggested for mature readers.

A best-selling work of wit from the Booker Prize-winning author, Solar brilliantly traces the arc of a Nobel Prize-winning physicist's ambitions and self-deception. Dr. Michael Beard's best work is behind him. Trading on his reputation, he speaks for enormous fees, lends his name to the letterheads of renowned scientific institutions, and halfheartedly heads a government-backed initiative tackling global warming. Meanwhile, Michael's fifth marriage is floundering due to his incessant womanizing. When his professional and personal worlds collide in a freak accident, an opportunity presents itself for Michael to extricate himself from his marital problems, reinvigorate his career, and save the world from environmental disaster. But can a man who has made a mess of his life clean up the messes of humanity?

What remains of the colours of our childhood? What are our memories of a blue rabbit, a red dress, a yellow bike – and were they really those colours? What colours do we associate with our student years, our first loves, our adult lives? How does colour leave its mark on memory? In an attempt to answer these and other questions, Michel Pastoureau presents us with a journal about colours that covers half a century. Drawing on personal recollections, he retraces the recent history of colours through an exploration of fashion and clothing, everyday objects and practices, emblems and flags, sport, literature, museums and art. This text – playful, poetic, nostalgic – records the life of both the author and his contemporaries. We live in a world increasingly bursting with colour, in which colour remains a focus for memory, a source of delight and, most of all, an invitation to dream.

Cromorama. Come il colore ha cambiato il nostro sguardo. Ediz. a colori Cromorama Cómo el color transforma nuestra visión del mundo TAURUS

Building on the achievements of Goethe in his Theory of Colour, Rudolf Steiner shows how colour affects us in many areas of life, including our health, our sense of well-being, and our feelings. Distinguishing between 'image' and 'lustre' colours, he lays the foundation, based on his spiritual-scientific research, for a practical technique of working with colour that leads to a new direction in artistic creativity. His many penetrating remarks on some of the great painters of the past are supplemented by a deep concern to see a cultural, spiritual renewal emerge in the present time. 'If you realize', he states, 'that art always has a relation to the spirit, you will understand that both in creating and appreciating it, art is something through which one enters the spiritual world.' This volume is the most comprehensive compilation of Rudolf Steiner's insights into the nature of colour, painting and artistic creation. It is an invaluable source of reference and study not only for artists and therapists but for anyone interested in gaining an appreciation of art as a revelation of spiritual realities.

"Let us now praise Ray Bradbury, the uncrowned poet laureate of science fiction." —The Times One of the most well-known figures in modern fantasy and science fiction, often credited for heralding the genre into the mainstream, Ray Bradbury delights readers time and time again with writing that pushes the boundaries of reality. In this outstanding collection, Bradbury delivers poem after poem full of hope, fear, philosophy and faith. As in his work of speculative fiction, Bradbury's unique perspective on humanity graces every page. From technology to Ty Cobb, strawberry shortcake and death, this selection delivers some of Bradbury's best. Some of his most beloved poetry, including "They Have Not Seen the Stars," "This Attic Where the Meadow

Greens," "There Are No Ghosts in Catholic Spain," "Farewell Summer," "Once the Years Were Numerous and the Funerals Few," "Doing Is Being," "We Are The Reliquaries of Lost Time," are featured. Humorous, thoughtful, and every bit as out of this world as readers have come to expect from the legend, this is a must-have for collectors and new readers alike.

Martin Gayford's masterful account of painting in London from the Second World War to the 1970s, illustrated by documentary photographs and the works themselves The development of painting in London from the Second World War to the 1970s has never before been told before as a single narrative. R. B. Kitaj's proposal, made in 1976, that there was a "substantial School of London" was essentially correct but it caused confusion because it implied that there was a movement or stylistic group at work, when in reality no one style could cover the likes of Francis Bacon and also Bridget Riley. *Modernists and Mavericks* explores this period based on an exceptionally deep well of firsthand interviews, often unpublished, with such artists as Victor Pasmore, John Craxton, Lucian Freud, Frank Auerbach, Allen Jones, R. B. Kitaj, Euan Uglow, Howard Hodgkin, Terry Frost, Gillian Ayres, Bridget Riley, David Hockney, Frank Bowling, Leon Kossoff, John Hoyland, and Patrick Caulfield. But Martin Gayford also teases out the thread weaving these individual lives together and demonstrates how and why, long after it was officially declared dead, painting lived and thrived in London. Simultaneously aware of the influences of Jackson Pollock, Giacometti, and (through the teaching passed down at the major art school) the traditions of Western art from Piero della Francesca to Picasso and Matisse, the postwar painters were bound by their confidence that this ancient medium could do fresh and marvelous things, and explored in their diverse ways, the possibilities of paint.

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