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Arguing that the term "lady" should be re-examined and brought back into circulation, the author shows readers how to achieve civility and grace in an often uncivil world.

Thomas Jefferson *The Art of Power* Random House Incorporated

The Art Of Feeling Good unveils Àse Yoga, a self-healing practice that transcends our obstacles and transforms our lives. African American women in the United States and the Diaspora share a unique history, which has affected how we feel about ourselves. Something happen, yet we don't talk about it. But, even if we choose not to deal with the chaos of the past, the suffering of our foremothers will not fade away. Knowing the history is not enough. Healing from the "enslavement process" is crucial to connecting with our beauty and feeling good. In *The Art of Feeling Good*, Dr. Robbin Alston takes us on a journey to the balancing power of Àse Yoga. As a guide, this book encourages African American women to begin embracing and re-claiming yoga as practice for healing. Using our ancient mystical systems, knowing who we are, reconnecting

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with a universal holistic spirit-mind-body energy practice, with Àse Yoga, we begin to re-member, to re-discover our real identity. Dr. Alston introduces the balancing power of Àse Yoga, a blend of personal energy, healing asanas, healthy lifestyles, breath connection, rhythmic movements and guided meditations designed to activate our vital energy centers, rebalance our life force and engender authentic relationships with self and others It's time to feel good. The Art of Feeling Good offers a path to wellness, right relationships and mindful choices. This book shares with you an empowering healing process that supports your journey toward self-realization and feeling good.

Power skills are something every manager must have. Power means more than formal authority - it is the art of building alliances, networks, influence and control. Power will enable you to achieve all your goals: it will guarantee your success. Power: The Art of Making Things Happen is the first book to show you how. Free from theory, Power focuses on the practical skills any manager can learn and use to their advantage. Divided into six accessible areas, you'll find everything you need to take command of the most important skill around.

In Knowledge, Art, and Power John Ryder develops a pragmatic naturalist theory of experience that posits the cognitive (knowledge), the aesthetic (art), and the political (power) as the most general and pervasive dimensions of all human

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experience.

Artwork and popular cultures are crucial sites of contesting and transforming power relationships in world politics. The contributors to this edited collection draw on their experiences across arts, activist, and academic communities to analyze how the global politics of colonialism, capitalism, and patriarchy are expressed and may be transformed through popular cultures and artistic labour. Through their methodological treatment of artwork and popular cultures as material sites of generating aesthetic knowledge and embodying global power, the authors foreground an analysis of global hierarchies and transformative empowerment through critically engaged political imagination and cultural projects. By centralizing an intersectional analysis of the racialized, gendered, economic dimensions of the praxis of culture, *The Art of Global Power* demonstrates how artwork and popular culture projects, events, and institutions are vital sites of transgressing the material conditions that produce and sustain unjust global power hierarchies. This book intervenes in the international relations popular culture literature by problematizing the idea of a single homogenizing global popular culture and engaging with multiple popular cultures articulated from diverse global locations and worldviews. To the international relations aesthetics literature this book contributes an intersectional analysis of

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aesthetics as an embodied process of knowledge production and action that takes place within global conditions of colonialism, capitalism, and patriarchy. This book will be of interest to students, researchers and practitioners of international relations, and gender, cultural and media studies.

In this richly illustrated book, Neal B. Keating explores Iroquois visual expression through more than five thousand years, from its emergence in ancient North America into the early twenty-first century. Drawing on extensive archival research and fieldwork with Iroquois artists and communities, Keating foregrounds the voices and visions of Iroquois peoples, revealing how they have continuously used visual expression to adapt creatively to shifting political and economic environments. Iroquois, or Haudenosaunee, peoples have long been the subjects of Western study. From the seventeenth to the nineteenth century, European and Euro-American writers classified Iroquois works not as art but as culturally lower forms of expression. During the twentieth century, Western critics commonly rejected contemporary Native art both as art and as an “inauthentic” expression of Indianness. Keating exposes the false assumptions underlying these perceptions. Approaching his subject from the perspective of an anthropologist, he focuses on the social relations and processes that are indexed by Iroquois visual culture through time, and he shows how Iroquois images are

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deployed in colonized contexts. As he traces the history of Iroquois art practice, Keating seeks a middle road between ethnohistorical approaches and the activist perspectives of contemporary artists. He is one of the first scholars in Iroquois studies to emphasize painting, a popular art form among present-day Iroquois. He conceptualizes painting broadly, to include writing, incising, drawing, tattoo, body painting, photography, videography, and digital media. Featuring more than 100 color and black-and-white reproductions, this volume embraces a wide array of artworks in diverse media, prompting new appreciation—and deeper understanding—of Iroquois art and its historical and contemporary significance.

Every business making sales online is engaged in a battle to get customers to click. More clicks equals more sales equals a more successful business. How do you write copy that will encourage more people to buy from you? How do you persuade customers over the line to make that final buying decision? What is The Art of the Click? The answer lies in the power of direct-response copywriting. In this entertaining and highly readable guide, copywriting expert Glenn Fisher boils down over a decade of experience to present a huge array of techniques, tactics and industry secrets to improve your copywriting, get more clicks... and ultimately, get more sales. You will discover:

- The single thing every great writer must do if they want to improve.
- How anyone can learn to write a headline that

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will stop all potential customers in their tracks. - Where to find inspiration and how to feed ideas. - How you can get a customer physically nodding along with every word you write. - How to avoid waffle and make your copy more succinct. - How you can write irresistible offers than no one can refuse. - And much more! Pick up *The Art of the Click* now to improve your copywriting. You'll soon be wondering how you ever made a sale without it...

With a scene-setting historical introduction, this newly translated and illustrated edition of a classic work is an essential addition to any home library. Written in 1512, *The Prince* is the masterpiece by Florentine political philosopher, poet, and playwright Niccolò Machiavelli. Although Machiavelli's book has been frequently misunderstood as a manual for unprincipled manipulators and tyrants, careful reading reveals that it actually identifies freedom as an essential characteristic of a good society. In fact, much of Machiavelli's republican thought can be identified in the American constitution, and many of his ideas—such as the belief that life is subject to change and that the winners will be those flexible enough to adapt—remain as applicable today as they were half a millennium ago.

This volume examines the ways that sovereign rulers have employed well-defined symbols, attributes, and stereotypes to convey their power to their subjects and rivals, as well as to leave a legacy for subsequent generations to admire. Legendary rulers from antiquity such as Alexander the Great, Julius Caesar, and Constantine have been

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looked to as models for their display of imperial power by the rulers of later eras. From medieval sovereigns such as Charlemagne and France's Louis IX to the tsars of Russia and the great European royal dynasties of the Hapsburgs, the Bourbons, and the Tudors, the rulers of each period have appropriated and often embellished the emblems of power employed by their predecessors. Even the second-tier lords who ruled parts of France and Italy during the Renaissance, such as the dukes of Burgundy, the Gonzaga of Mantua, and the Medici of Florence became adept at manipulating this imagery. The final chapter is reserved for Napoleon I, perhaps the ultimate master of symbolic display, who assumed the attributes of Roman emperors to project an image of eternal and immutable authority. The author examines not only regal paraphernalia such as crowns, scepters, thrones, and orbs, but also the painted portraits, sculptures, tapestries, carved ivories, jewelry, coins, armor, and, eventually, photographs created to display their owner's sovereign power, a vast collection of works that now forms a significant portion of the cultural heritage of Western civilization.

"This volume celebrates the scholarship of Alison Brown, emeritus professor in the Department of History at Royal Holloway, University of London. A pre-eminent historian of the Renaissance, Professor Brown has, over a long and ongoing career, produced a stream of books and essays on the intellectual, cultural, and political history of Renaissance Florence and Italy. Her innovative and wide-ranging studies have made her the most authoritative interpreter of Florence's evolution from fifteenth-century

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republic to sixteenth-century principate. At the centre of her re-evaluation of this complex and dramatic story are her many studies of the Medici and their own evolution over several generations from citizen bankers to skillful patrons, manipulators of factional networks, "masters of the shop," and quasi-princes. Her research has brought new perspectives not only to politics and the nature of the Florentine state, but also to the period's intellectual and religious history--in particular the impact of the rediscovery of Lucretius--and the great ferment of political thought from the humanists to Savonarola, Machiavelli, and Guicciardini. Professor Brown's vibrant and original inquiries, grounded both in Florence's archival treasures and in the rich intellectual and artistic traditions of Renaissance Italy, deftly interweave politics, culture, and ideas to yield novel and eye-opening interpretations. The essays in this book by Professor Brown's friends and colleagues find inspiration in the themes she has explored and in her dedication to the highest aims and most exacting standards of historical research. The contributions focus on a wide variety of topics, including politics and political thought, family life, art, philosophy, law, and humanism. In providing a portrait of Renaissance studies today as a dynamic field influenced in myriad ways by Professor Brown's insights and methods, the volume is a tribute to the far-reaching influence of her scholarship."--

A contemporary snapshot of intellectual and practical engagements with legal and artistic practices in countering power.

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From a New York Times bestselling author, a fresh and detail-rich argument that the best way to lead is to be fair Can you succeed without being a terrible person? We often think not: recognizing that, as the old saying has it, “nice guys finish last.” But does that mean you have to go to the other extreme and be a bully or Machiavellian to get anything done? In *The Art of Fairness*, bestselling author David Bodanis uses thrilling case studies to show there's a better path, leading neatly in between. He reveals how it was fairness, applied with skill, that led the Empire State Building to be constructed in barely a year—and how the same techniques brought a quiet English debutante to become an acclaimed jungle guerrilla fighter. In ten vivid profiles featuring pilots, presidents, and even the producer of *Game of Thrones*, we see that the path to greatness doesn't require crushing displays of power or tyrannical ego. Simple fair decency can prevail. With surprising insights from across history—including the downfall of the very man who popularized the phrase “nice guys finish last”—*The Art of Fairness* charts a refreshing and sustainable new approach to cultivating integrity and influence.

Presents a portrait of the third president that considers his early life, role as a Founding Father, and considerable achievements as a master politician.

With the countless distractions that come from every corner of a modern life, it's amazing that we ever able to accomplish anything. *The Power of Less* demonstrates how to streamline your life by identifying the essential and eliminating the unnecessary

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freeing you from everyday clutter and allowing you to focus on accomplishing the goals that can change your life for the better. The Power of Less will show you how to: Break any goal down into manageable tasks Focus on only a few tasks at a time Create new and productive habits Hone your focus Increase your efficiency By setting limits for yourself and making the most of the resources you already have, you'll finally be able work less, work smarter, and focus on living the life that you deserve.

Revealing the powers immanent in works that the West long regarded only as exotic or abstract, Constantine Petridis looks beneath the surface of the arts of the Luba, Songye, Chokwe and Luluwa peoples to find, literally embedded in sculpture, the forces that enable the spirit world to intervene in daily life. Ritual use of these objects is expected to ensure a healthy birth, successful hunt, or triumph over an enemy. Analysis of the scholarly record illuminates the changing visions of leadership and prestige that fostered the development of the majestic, elaborate figure styles long prized in the West. These sculptures nevertheless retain the mysterious potency of more humble objects trusted for centuries to protect, heal and harm. Art and Power in the Central African Savanna examines an artistic culture in which the sacred and the secular are indivisible, and aesthetic and moral value inseparable.

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A new book by Boris Groys acknowledges the problem and potential of art's

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complex relationship to power. Art has its own power in the world, and is as much a force in the power play of global politics today as it once was in the arena of cold war politics. Art, argues the distinguished theoretician Boris Groys, is hardly a powerless commodity subject to the art market's fiat of inclusion and exclusion. In *Art Power*, Groys examines modern and contemporary art according to its ideological function. Art, Groys writes, is produced and brought before the public in two ways—as a commodity and as a tool of political propaganda. In the contemporary art scene, very little attention is paid to the latter function. Arguing for the inclusion of politically motivated art in contemporary art discourse, Groys considers art produced under totalitarianism, Socialism, and post-Communism. He also considers today's mainstream Western art—which he finds behaving more and more according to the norms of ideological propaganda: produced and exhibited for the masses at international exhibitions, biennials, and festivals. Contemporary art, Groys argues, demonstrates its power by appropriating the iconoclastic gestures directed against itself—by positioning itself simultaneously as an image and as a critique of the image. In *Art Power*, Groys examines this fundamental appropriation that produces the paradoxical object of the modern artwork.

Learn how to relax the bonds of anger, attachment, and delusion through

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mindfulness and kindness toward ourselves and others. The Mindfulness Essentials series introduces beginners and reminds seasoned practitioners of the essentials of mindfulness practice. This time Nhat Hanh brings his signature clarity, compassion, and humor to the ways we act out in anger, frustration, despair, and delusion. In brief meditations accompanied by whimsical sumi-ink drawings, Thich Nhat Hanh instructs us exactly how to transform our craving and confusion. If we learn to take good care of our suffering, we can help others do the same. How to Fight is pocket-sized with two color original artwork by California artist Jason DeAntonis.

"The Power of Feminist Art is not a book: it's a milestone. . . . Until Power, feminist art has been conspicuously absent from standard academic narratives. . . . Now, no critic or historian, conservative or not, can argue that feminist art is insignificant".--Elizabeth Hess, Village Voice. 270 illustrations, 118 in full color.

"Power is good for one thing only: to increase our happiness and the happiness of others. Being peaceful and happy is the most important thing in our lives and yet most of the time we suffer, we run after our cravings, we look to the past or the future for our happiness." Turning our conventional understanding of power on its head, world-renowned Zen master, spiritual leader, and national bestselling author Thich Nhat Hanh reveals how true power comes from within. What we

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seek, we already have. Whether we want it or not, power remains one of the central issues in all of our lives. Every day, each of us exercises power in many ways, and our every act subtly affects the world we live in. This struggle for control and authority permeates every aspect of our private and public lives, preventing us from attaining true happiness. The me-first mentality in our culture seeps unnoticed into our decisions and choices. Our bottom-line approach to getting ahead may be most visible in the business world, but the stress, fear, and anxiety it causes are being felt by people in all walks of life. With colorful anecdotes, precise language, and concrete practices, Thich Nhat Hanh illustrates how the current understanding of power leads us on a never-ending search for external markers like job title or salary. The Art of Power boldly challenges our assumptions and teaches each of us how to access the true power that is within our grasp.

Imagine the relief of not being stuck in anger, resentment or regret. Imagine the emotional freedom of stopping the battle with yourself, other people, your circumstances and even your past. Imagine the peace of mind you would have if you stopped fighting the current of life and instead flowed with it, effortlessly. Exploring the journey from resistance to alignment to possibility, Ashley Davis Bush (a psychotherapist with over 30 years' experience and author of eight self-

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help books) debunks the idea that acceptance is merely passive apathy or resignation. In *The Art and Power of Acceptance* she introduces you to the simple but radical practice of self-compassion as the key to disarming resistance, expanding positive emotions and allowing you to move easily with "what is". She invites you to see how acceptance paradoxically leads to powerful, lasting change. Using personal and clinical stories, practical suggestions, and evidence-based research, Ashley illuminates a new way of being with life. Choose acceptance today and discover first hand how it leads to your emotional freedom.

"Great art has dreadful manners," Simon Schama observes wryly at the start of his epic and explosive exploration of the power, and whole point, of art. "The hushed reverence of the gallery can fool you into believing masterpieces are polite things; visions that soothe, charm and beguile, but actually they are thugs. Merciless and wily, the greatest paintings grab you in a headlock, rough up your composure, and then proceed in short order to re-arrange your sense of reality. . . ." With the same disarming force, *The Power of Art* propels us on an eye-opening, breathtaking odyssey, zooming in on eight extraordinary masterpieces, from Caravaggio's *David and Goliath* to Picasso's *Guernica*. Jolting us far from the comfort zone of the hushed art gallery, Schama closes in on intense make-or-break turning points in the lives of eight great artists who, under extreme stress,

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created something unprecedented, altering the course of art forever. The embattled heroes—Caravaggio, Bernini, Rembrandt, David, Turner, Van Gogh, Picasso and Rothko—each in his own resolute way, faced crisis with steadfast defiance, pitting passion and conviction against scorn and short-sightedness. The masterpieces they created challenged convention, shattered complacency, shifted awareness and changed the way we look at the world. With vivid storytelling and powerfully evocative descriptive passages, Schama explores the dynamic personalities of the artists and the spirit of the times they lived through, capturing the flamboyant theatre of bourgeois life in Amsterdam, the passion and paranoia of Revolutionary Paris, and the carnage and pathos of Civil War Spain. Most compelling of all, *The Power of Art* traces the extraordinary evolution of eight "eye-popping" world-class works of art. Created in a bolt of illumination, such works "tell us something about how the world is, how it is to be inside our skins, that no more prosaic source of wisdom can deliver. And when they do that, they answer, irrefutably and majestically, the nagging question of every reluctant art-conscript . . . 'OK, OK, but what's art really for?'"

Where and how an artwork is presented can enhance it or detract from it, or even alter its meaning. Depending on the display, painting and sculpture can denote a religious, political, decorative, or educational significance, as well as aesthetic

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and commercial value. Just how powerful the effect of placement can be is demonstrated in this book by in-depth case studies and comparisons of art installations around the world and from antiquity to the present, all richly illustrated. Author Victoria Newhouse continues the investigation she began in her last book, *Towards a New Museum*, of the critical relationship between container and contents. Not limited to museums, Newhouse branches out to explore noteworthy displays of art in commercial galleries and in private homes and gardens, as well as in a number of unusual venues. She concludes with some guidelines for display that apply as much to the hanging of a picture in a private interior as to the installation of a museum show.

Why do civilizations rise and fall? What are the origins and purpose of art? How does technology shape society? Did culture direct human evolution? Is the Internet an agent of democracy or dictatorships? An immensely powerful but little-understood force that impacts society, art, politics, and even human biological development, culture is the very stage on which human experience plays out. But what is it, exactly? What are its rules and origins? In this fascinating volume, John Brockman, editor and publisher of *Edge*, presents short, accessible explorations of culture's essential aspects, by today's most influential scientists and thinkers. Contributors and topics include Jared Diamond on why societies collapse and how we can make better decisions to protect

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our own future • Denis Dutton on the origins of art Daniel C. Dennett on the evolution of cultures • Jaron Lanier on the ominous impact of the Internet • Nicholas Christakis on the structure and rules of social networks, both “real” and online • Clay Shirky and Evgeny Morozov on the new political reality of the digital era • Brian Eno on what cultures value Stewart Brand on the responsibilities of human power • Douglas Rushkoff on the next Renaissance • W. Daniel Hillis on the Net as a global “knowledge web”

Despite its relatively small size, Korea has perhaps the most sophisticated contemporary art scene in Asia. In recent years, its vibrancy has been lighting up the whole world, with artists such as Do Ho Suh, Kimsooja, Michael Joo and Koo Jeong-A emerging as major players on the international art scene. This book profiles these and many other acclaimed figures as well as of such up-and-coming artists as Lee Yong Baek, Jeon Joohno, Moon Kyungwon and Nikki S. Lee.

Compelling and accessible, THE POWER OF ART features gorgeous images and themes that connect with today's students and an engaging writing style that's praised by instructors and students alike. The revised third edition delivers a brief yet comprehensive survey which demonstrates that art is everywhere and relevant to all students. The text incorporates global material, reflecting cultural intersections and mutual influences--and Art News boxes present real events, connecting art to students' lives. In addition to excellent art history coverage, THE POWER OF ART features a

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diverse mix of artists and spotlights current trends in artistic mediums and themes. Important Notice: Media content referenced within the product description or the product text may not be available in the ebook version.

The Art of Creating Power explores the intellectual thought and wider impact -- on military affairs, politics and the universities -- of Professor Sir Lawrence Freedman, one of the world's leading authorities on strategy, conflict and international politics. In this volume, senior scholars of international relations and military history trace the long trajectory of Freedman's career, examining his scholarly contribution to a whole host of areas from nuclear strategy to US foreign policy via terrorism, the Falklands War, and Iraq. Individually, these essays provide fascinating and innovative insights into strategy, contemporary defence and foreign policy, and conflict. Taken together, however, they are greater than the sum of their parts as they both reflect and explore the theoretical approach adopted and taught by Freedman - one that has made him one of the great intellectual figures in the canon of international politics, strategy and war. Throughout his professional life, Freedman explored many of the uncertainties that plague our highly unstable world. But as conflicts continue to erupt across the globe, it seems we may be entering an even more precarious and uncertain era. There could hardly be a better time than today to gain a deeper understanding of Freedman's strategic insights. The Art of Possible reveals how the most unlikely of catalysts lead Kate Tojeiro to write a book about her experiences from working with some of the world's greatest leaders to

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interviewing the elite in sport and many inspirational people from all walks of life. Everyone irrespective of talent, wealth or privilege, has to face down their fears, conquering things that we may have considered impossible. It isn't comfortable, but when we conquer it, it is what makes life truly memorable and really worth living. By asking the hard questions and examining how and why we do certain things, *The Art of Possible* encourages you to get comfortable with discomfort daily. Written as a journal, it is set out to help you get to the heart of whatever it is that you're seeking to achieve and then find the techniques and actions that will make the difference to you. Do you want to: Do something you've always wanted to but never thought you could? Widen your horizons? Try something new? Embrace new challenges? Conquer self-doubt, self-criticism and fear? Follow your dreams and passions? From her experience as an executive coach at global power-players, including Google, Accenture, Rio Tinto, Oracle and Barclays to interviews with the elite in sport, using the latest in neuroscience, Kate shares the actions that will enable you to realise your potential faster and more effectively. Kate Tojeiro is an executive coach to the boards, senior executives and teams at some of the largest global organizations, and also some of the most cutting edge, organically-grown start ups. She has built up a string of prestigious 100 and Fortune 500 Clients, is a regular fixture on BBC radio and a voice in the media. We live in an era of aesthetics. Art has become both pervasive and powerful – it is displayed not only in museums and galleries but also on the walls of corporations and it

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is increasingly fused with design. But what makes art so powerful, and in what does its power consist? According to a widespread view, the power of art – its beauty – lies in the eye of the beholder. What counts as art appears to be a function of individual acts of evaluation supported by powerful institutions. On this account, the power of art stems from a force that is not itself aesthetic, such as the art market and the financial power of speculators. Art expresses, in a disguised form, the power of something else – like money – that lies behind it. In one word, art has lost its autonomy. In this short book, Markus Gabriel rejects this view. He argues that art is essentially uncontrollable. It is in the nature of the work of art to be autonomous to such a degree that the art world will never manage to overpower it. Ever since the cave paintings of Lascaux, art has taken hold of the human mind and implemented itself in our very being. Thanks to the emergence of art we became human beings, that is, beings who lead their lives in light of an image of the human being and its position in the world and in relation to other species. Due to its structural, ontological power, art itself is and remains radically autonomous. Yet, this power is highly ambiguous, as we cannot control its unfolding. In this book, a leading proponent of New Realism applies this philosophical perspective to art to create a new aesthetic realism.

Renowned artist Ai Weiwei engaged nearly 900,000 visitors in a conversation about human rights with his art installation @Large: Ai Weiwei on Alcatraz. In one participatory piece, Yours Truly, visitors sent 92,829 postcards to prisoners of

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conscience around the world. This book delves into those postcards' lasting impact. Five former prisoners and their loved ones reflect on the experience of receiving hundreds of postcards while imprisoned. Essays and a statement by Ai Weiwei contextualize this extraordinary project. And photographs taken during the exhibition show visitors and the messages they wrote.

"This volume is an impressive integration of science and humanities in accounting for the role of art in human evolution and individual development."--Michael Posner PhD
Michael Posner, PhD is professor emeritus at the University of Oregon and adjunct professor of psychology in psychiatry at Weill Medical College at Cornell University. He is a member of the Dana Foundation Arts and Cognition Consortium.

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Amoral, cunning, ruthless, and instructive, this multi-million-copy New York Times bestseller is the definitive manual for anyone interested in gaining, observing, or defending against ultimate control – from the author of *The Laws of Human Nature*. In the book that *People* magazine proclaimed “beguiling” and “fascinating,” Robert Greene and Joost Elffers have distilled three thousand years of the history of power into 48 essential laws by drawing from the philosophies of Machiavelli, Sun Tzu, and Carl Von Clausewitz and also from the lives of figures ranging from Henry Kissinger to P.T. Barnum. Some laws teach the need for prudence (“Law 1: Never Outshine the

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Master”), others teach the value of confidence (“Law 28: Enter Action with Boldness”), and many recommend absolute self-preservation (“Law 15: Crush Your Enemy Totally”). Every law, though, has one thing in common: an interest in total domination. In a bold and arresting two-color package, *The 48 Laws of Power* is ideal whether your aim is conquest, self-defense, or simply to understand the rules of the game. Art historian Catherine McCormack challenges how culture teaches us to see and value women, their bodies, and their lives. Venus, maiden, wife, mother, monster—women have been bound so long by these restrictive roles, codified by patriarchal culture, that we scarcely see them. Catherine McCormack illuminates the assumptions behind these stereotypes whether writ large or subtly hidden. She ranges through Western art—think Titian, Botticelli, and Millais—and the image-saturated world of fashion photographs, advertisements, and social media, and boldly counters these depictions by turning to the work of women artists like Morisot, Ringgold, Lacy, and Walker, who offer alternative images for exploring women’s identity, sexuality, race, and power in more complex ways.

Women, Art, and Power? seven landmark essays on women artists and women in art history?brings together the work of almost twenty years of scholarship and speculation. Discover it for yourself. Inside *Art Saves*, experience the stories of 20 artists who found that artistic expression and the artistic process is worth living for. Whether you are a calligraphy/graffiti artist like Lisa Engelbrecht, a metal artist like Michael DeMeng, or

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digital collage artist like Susan Tuttle, art has a way of giving you beauty, meaning, spiritual richness, community...even salvation. The stories in this book come from every medium, because the power of the creative process can be found everywhere. Hear from: Drew Emborsky, a crochet artist, provides comfort through his creations by donating his work to hospitals and shelters. Rebecca Sower puts craft materials—and hope—into the hands of Haitian women through Haiti By Hand. Marie French who, through art, creates personal miracles of healing. Suzi Blu, who discovered the real, therapeutic effect of art-making, shows you many simple, effective ways you can give back. **INSIDE ART SAVES, YOU'LL ALSO FIND:** Mixed media techniques and projects. Throughout the book you'll find practical ideas to put you on the art-making path. Karen Michel shares instructions on creating prayer flags, Lynn Whipple shows you how to construct a permission plaque, Susannah Conway gives advice on revealing the soul of a place through inspired photography. Inspired Lessons. Each artist lists the lessons they have learned about living life artfully. "When the Going Gets Tough..." Sidebars suggest ways you can remain strong, even when things get challenging. Hear how different artists deal with difficulty head-on. "In the artist's own words..." Advice and wisdom shared directly from each artist to you. The act of art-making is an act of life. So thread a needle, lift a paintbrush, put pencil to paper, focus the camera—find salvation.

Having a sound and reasonable understanding of the power of our thoughts and how

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the mental processes really work will help you better understand what is going on in your head. With that knowledge you will understand how stilling the thoughts will enable you to overcome depression and PTSD. For many years as a volunteer councilor at a VA facility the author has helped many people that were suffering with depression and PTSD overcome their affliction using the techniques and information presented in this book. WHAT YOU'LL LEARN AS YOU TAKE CONTROL THROUGH BEING STILL. How traumatic memories and thoughts of depression become overwhelming. Where they begin and how they become intrusive because of your attention. Why thinking or talking about the thoughts doesn't rid you of them, it feeds them. BY BEING STILL YOU WILL BEGIN TO FEEL HEALTHIER WITHIN A FEW DAYS. You'll learn that you can overcome depression, PTSD and suicidal thoughts. You can learn how to let go of the thoughts and stop feeding them by refusing to think or talk about them. You can refuse to give harmful thoughts a place in your mind without suppressing them and doing so is a critical part of the healing process. By refusing to give traumatic and depressing thoughts a place in your mind you also deny the emotional forces, the stress and the strength of any influences that those thoughts or experiences have been bringing into your mind and into your life.. LEARN FROM SOMEONE SPEAKING FROM A PLACE OF EXPERIENCE. The author began volunteering as a peer support counselor, because he knew the challenges he faced as a returning combat veteran. In his experience a clinical approach alone isn't enough. Endless therapy, medication,

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meditation and learning another coping skill is not enough. This work will teach you things that you may never have considered. Because of his knowledge and personal experiences, the author is uniquely qualified to teach and to address the issues you are faced with in a way that will help you to overcome your depression, PTSD and thoughts of suicide through your own efforts.

Offering a challenge to traditional political theory, this work provides the interpretations of Machiavelli's oeuvre and of Nietzsche's relationship to politics.

This book provided this beginning tai-chi student with a rich, methodical philosophical "grounding" on some concepts that are at the core of Eastern martial arts. Ralston helps the reader develop an awareness, quite literally "from the ground up".

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