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The Italian Metamorphosis, 1943-1968 Springer Science & Business Media

National Book Award finalist Hendrickson introduces a selection of the best of the Farm Security Administration color photographs, which remain among the most moving and famous documentary images from the first half of the 20th century.

The european Iceberg Rowman & Littlefield

This book explores new forms and modalities of relations between people and space that increasingly affect the life of the city. The investigation takes as its starting point the idea that in contemporary societies the loss of our relationship with place is a symptom of a breakdown in the relationship between ethics and aesthetics. This in turn has caused a crisis not only in taste, but also in our sense of beauty, our aesthetic instinct, and our moral values. It has also led to the loss of our engagement with the landscape, which is essential for cities to function. The authors argue that new, fertile forms of interaction between people and space are now happening in what they call the ‘intermediate space’, at the border of “urban normality” and those parts of a city where citizens experiment with unconventional social practices. This new interaction engenders a collective conscience, giving a new and productive vigor to the actions of individuals and also their relations with their environment. These new relations emerge only after we abandon what is called the “therapeutic illusion of space”, which still exists today, and which binds in a deterministic manner the quality of civitas, the associative life of people in the city, to the quality of urban space. Projects for the city should, instead, have as their keystone the notion of social action as a return to a critical perspective, to a courageous acceptance of social responsiibility, at the same time as seeking the generative structures of urban life in which civitas and urbs again acknowledge each other.

A Field Measure Survey of American Architecture Peter Lang Gmbh, Internationaler Verlag Der Wissenschaften

Stillness in Motion brings together the writing of scholars, theorists, and artists on the uneasy relationship between Italian culture and photography.

Highlighting the depth and complexity of the Italian contribution to the technology and practice of photography, this collection offers essays, interviews, and theoretical reflections at the intersection of comparative, visual, and cultural studies. Its chapters, illustrated with more than 130 black and white images and an eight-page colour section, explore how Italian literature, cinema, popular culture, and politics have engaged with the medium of photography over the course of time. The collection includes topics such as Futurism’s ambivalent relationship to photography, the influence of American photography on Italian neorealist cinema, and the connection between the photograph and Duchamp’s concept of the Readymade. With contributions from writer and theorist Umberto Eco, photographer Franco Vaccari, art historian Robert Valtorta, and cultural historian Robert Lumley, Stillness in Motion engages with crucial historical and cultural moments in Italian history, examining each one through particular photographic practices.

François Halard Mack

A handsome facsimile of conceptualist Luigi Ghirri's poetic narrative of 1970s pop culture Italian photographer Luigi Ghirri (1943-92) made Cardboard Landscapes (Paesaggi di cartone)during his travels around Europe, coining the term "sentimental geography" to describe his unique artistic approach of examining the ordinary to prove it remarkable. The original handmade album features over 100 chromogenic color prints pasted onto the pages of a blank book, and was gifted by Ghirri to John Szarkowski, then the Director of the Department of Photography at the Museum of Modern Art, in the 1970s. A singular work of art, Cardboard Landscapesis now being published for the first time. The collection is an anomaly within Ghirri’s overall oeuvre, as it prioritizes complex composition rather than the sweeping tableaux for which he is best known. In this series of works, he regards the printed image as the subject, framing a kaleidoscope of photographs and advertisements to tell a poetic visual narrative that reflects at once regional, personal and popular culture, revealing a fascinating impulse to investigate his role within his own medium. Luigi Ghirri(1943-92) was a celebrated Italian artist and photographer known for his color photographs of landscape and architecture. He published his first photography book, Kodachrome, in 1978, and continued to utilize a conceptual framework to interrogate the line between fiction and reality.

Photography and Italy Reaktion Books

The Italian Metamorphosis, 1943-1968 is the first book to bring together all aspects of Italian visual culture from this fascinating period. Through seventeen scholarly essays and hundreds of lavish full-color and duotone reproductions, this volume captures the era's greatest achievements in the fields of painting, sculpture, artists' crafts, literature, photography, cinema, fashion, architecture, and design.

In Veneto 1984-89 Harry N. Abrams

With its evocative images, this book immerses us in a world of dolce vita, youthful enthusiasm, the joy and beauty of Italian holidays -- an atmosphere filled with young girls' laughter, stifling heat, the sounds of crashing surf and the playful cat-and-mouse games of the sexes. And he also tells us a story -- a tale of people of all generations who leave home each year to return to a familiar place that is close to their hearts, where they pursue the very same holiday rituals year in and year out: Miss Rimini for one short summer season, a passionate kiss on the beach, nightly parties in the bars and restaurants, the joyful exuberance of youthful cliques seeking to experience everything life offers nowhere else in just a few short weeks and to

forget what everyday life is. With his concentrated, atmospheric images, which bear the imprint of a fascinated, passionate observer, Claude Nori succeeds masterfully in capturing that mixture of Mediterranean lifestyle and carefree holiday spirit that awakens memories and longings in us all.

Running, Falling, Flying, Floating, Crawling Mack

Running, Falling, Flying, Floating, Crawling is a loose compendium of photographs and texts that picture, examine, explore, and / or suggest the human body in states of abandon, helplessness, terror, subjugation, serenity, and transcendence. Artists include Andre Kertesz, Yves Klein, Laurie Simmons, Maya Deren, Gideon Mendel, Bas Jan Ader, Chris Burden, Tabitha Soren, Nan Goldin, Rania Matar, John Divola, Harry Callahan, Sarah Charlesworth, and Francesca Woodman. Writers include David Company, Lynne Tillman, Jennifer Blessing, Diane Seuss, Susan Bright, Gilda Williams, Marvin Heiferman, Maud Casey, and Carol Mavor.

Towards the River’s Mouth (Verso la foce), by Gianni Celati Routledge

Digital Deli explores the current visual vernacular and the circulation of images. In its layered architecture, the book expands the conventional structure of the page spread and sequencing as a narrative strategy. By juxtaposing images of different sizes, each photograph creates associations with fragments from other pages and becomes the texture of a new and complex image, that is more than the sum of all the photographs in the book. Through Digital Deli I comment on mainstream media and consumer culture. I appropriate the language of advertising, television, and social media to create playful but uncanny tableaus that question the rhetoric and the power structures behind that language.Ultimately the book investigates the identity of photography and challenges its conventions and the related expectations of the viewer.

Blind Spot Jonathan Cape

In this beautifully illustrated book Maria Antonella Pelizzari traces the history of photography in Italy from its beginnings to the present as she guides us through the history of Italy and its ancient sites and Renaissance landmarks. Pelizzari specifically considers the role of photography in the formation of Italian national identity during times of political struggle, such as the lead up to Unification in 1860, and later in the nationalist wars of Mussolini’s regime. While many Italians and foreigners— such as Fratelli Alinari or Carlo Ponti, John Ruskin or Kit Talbot—focused their lenses on architectural masterpieces, others documented the changing times and political heroes, creating icons of figures such as Garibaldi and the brigands. Pelizzari’s exploration of Italian visual traditions also includes the photographic collages of Bruno Munari, the neorealist work of photographers such as Franco Pinna, the bold stylized compositions of Mario Giacomelli, and the controversial images created by Oliviero Toscani for Benetton advertising in the 1980s. Featuring unpublished works and a rare selection of over one hundred images, this book will appeal to art collectors and students of art history and Italian culture.

Art and Photography New Directions Publishing

The first novel, in revised form, from "possibly the best living writer in Britain" (The Daily Telegraph) In The Colour of Memory, six friends plot a nomadic course through their mid-twenties as they scratch out an existence in near-destitute conditions in 1980s South London. They while away their hours drinking cheap beer, landing jobs and quickly squandering them, smoking weed, dodging muggings, listening to Coltrane, finding and losing a facsimile of love, collecting unemployment, and discussing politics in the way of the besotted young—as if they were employed only by the lives they chose. In his vivid evocation of council flats and pubs, of a life lived in the teeth of romantic ideals, Geoff Dyer provides a shockingly relevant snapshot of a different Lost Generation.

The Democratic Forest ABRAMS

Through the course of the 1970s and 1980s, Luigi Ghirri pursued his extraordinary project, open-ended and mercurial, marked by empathy for the changing everyday spaces of his time. Over the course of his short career, Ghirri would produce a vast body of photographs without parallel in the Europe of his time and numerous writings which would have an indelible impact on the history of photography.

Art on Paper Graywolf Press

"Following the publication of Chromes in 2011 and Los Alamos Revisited in 2012, the reassessment of Eggleston's career continues with the publication of The Democratic Forest, his most ambitious project. This ten-volume set containing more than a thousand photographs is drawn from a body of twelve thousand pictures made by Eggleston in the 1980s. Following an opening volume of work in Louisiana, which serves as a visual preface, the remaining books cover Eggleston's travels from his familiar ground in Memphis and Tennessee to Dallas, Pittsburgh, Miami, Boston, the pastures of Kentucky, and as far as the Berlin Wall. The final volume leads the viewer back to the South of small towns, cotton fields, the Civil War battlefield of Shiloh and the home of Andrew Jackson, the President from Tennessee. The democracy of Eggleston's title refers to his democracy of vision, through which he represents the most mundane subjects with the same complexity and significance as the most elevated. The exhaustive editing process of The Democratic Forest--a rarely shown body of work of which only a fraction has been published to date--has taken over three years, and was guided by the belief that only on this large scale can the magnitude of Eggleston's achievement be represented. With no precedent in American art, Eggleston's photography seen as a whole has all the grandeur of an epic piece of fiction.--Publisher's Web site.

Showcaller Kehrer Verlag

The first major survey of photography's place in recent art history.

Bound for Glory University of Toronto Press

Showcaller' is the first book exploring the work of emerging artist Talia Chetrit. It brings together a broad range of her work made between 1994 and 2018 and is linked to a retrospective museum exhibition at the Kölnischer Kunstverein in early 2018. The title 'Showcaller' is a theatrical term which references the performative aspects of Chetrit's work, the power dynamic between subject and photographer, and, ultimately, between the photographer and her audience. The earliest works included were made when Chetrit was a teenager and she adroitly collapses and shuffles images from across 24 years and neutralizes the space between family portraits, teenage friends, intimate sex pictures, self-portraits, staged murder pictures, still-lives, and street photographs, to name just a few of the subjects and genres her work adopts. Regardless of the subject matter or the technique with which the image is made, her focus lies on researching and unveiling the basic social, conceptual, and technical conditions of the genre of photography. Her work is imbued with a desire to control the physical and historical limitations of the camera, to trace its manipulative potential, and to question the relationship between photographer and subject. Exhibition: Kölnischer Kunstverein, Köln, Germany (12.02.-25.03.2018)

The Narcissistic City Aperture Foundation

Tiré du site de l'éditeur: "What kind of gaze does the city license? What kind of gaze does it induce, determine, inform, program, organise? What is the nature of the city as reality, as image and as symbol? What is this object of desire, at once near and ungraspable, fascinating and repulsive, attractive and intractable, necessary and unbearable, intimate and impenetrable, available and inaccessible, that it is for itself as well as for the man of the crowd, for the man in the street, for the man of the city, for those who inhabit it and those merely passing through it, for anyone who knows that it is a labyrinth but nonetheless allows himself to remain trapped in it? Hubert Damisch. Takashi Homma uses fragments collected in camera obscura constructed in metropolitan areas of Japan and the US to build a city image by image. Homma does not seek to index any particular city but to render a shadow world, a city's unconscious caught in a dark chamber, suspended in the camera's box. The camera obscura offers a repetition, like the reflection shimmering in Narcissus's pool. The narcissistic city is a city transfixed upon its own image - a mirror city, laced with repetition (modular) and reflections (glass). A city looking at its reflection, a city caught in a dark chamber, a city observing its camera obscura inversion - flickering inside the camera's box."

People and Space Twin Palms Pub

Luigi Ghirri is considered a pioneer of contemporary colour photography even though he died before he could cement his international reputation.

This title will establish him as the seminal artist he was.

Luigi Ghirri Phaidon Press

Guido Guidi's new book, 'In Veneto 1984-89', opens with a big eye framed in the blind of a shop window in Mestre, an eye which, by opening like a sort of warning, announces the origin of photography itself. This book contains a selection of hitherto unpublished photographs that Guidi took between 1984 and 1989, using a Deardorff 8X10. This was the first time he had used a large format camera for a whole project, which concentrated

on an area in the central Veneto, an area known for having rapidly turned into a deeply uncertain, marginal landscape, one intimately hierarchy-free. The places he visited, in the provinces of Treviso, Vicenza, Padua and Venice, seem to be almost part of the same drawing, of the same place, bearing stark testimony to the process of change that has led to the transformation of a huge rural area, driving it into a form of fragmentation known as urban spread. The photographs in these much-loved places seem to re-evolve the three truths described by Robert Adams in 'Beauty in Photography?': geography, biography, and metaphor.00Exhibition: Museo Casa Giorgione, Castelfranco Veneto, Italy (19.10.-17.11.2019)

Bright, Bright Day Random House

In his latest collection, Dolce Via, photographer Charles H. Traub brings an American aesthetic to the delights of the streets and byways of Italy. This volume is the first comprehensive compendium of his vivid color photographs made in early 1980s Italy, from Milan to Marsala. Characteristic of Traub's imagery is a candid intimacy that combines humor and spontaneity, which makes us long for an Italy that maybe only once was. Brilliant blues, reds, and yellows engulf the baroque posturing and gestures of strangers and ordinary people who become fond archetypical caricatures. Traub's friend and guide, the late photographer Luigi Ghirri, said of the imagery, "You see our foibles, strip us bare, make love through the camera, and then venerate us." These photographs were last exhibited at the Hudson River Museum, Light Gallery New York, and Gallery Agora in Torino in the mid-1980s. Traub has published seven previous volumes of work including Beach (1977), Italy Observed (1988), and Still Life in America (2004). He is represented by the Gitterman Gallery in New York, has exhibited in 27 solo gallery shows, and his works are in the collection of major museums worldwide. Presently, Traub is Chair of the MFA Photography, Video, and Related Media department at the School of Visual Arts in New York, and President of the Aaron Siskind Foundation.

Sevastopol Mack

Alain Elkann has mastered the art of the interview. With a background in novels and journalism, and having published over twenty books translated across ten languages, he infuses his interviews with innovation, allowing them to flow freely and organically. Alain Elkann Interviews will provide an unprecedented window into the minds of some of the most well-known and -respected figures of the last twenty-five years.

The Complete Papers Damiani Limited

Luigi Ghirri was an extraordinary photographer, as well as a writer and curator whose career was so rich and varied that it seems like a lesson in the contemporary history of the medium. Although well known in his native Italy, Ghirri does not yet have the international audience his work merits--perhaps because he died so young. "It's Beautiful Here, Isn't It..."--the first book published on Ghirri in the U.S.--will establish him as the seminal artist he was. Uncannily prescient, Ghirri shared the sensibility of what became known in the U.S. as the New Color and the New Topographics movements before they had even been named. Like his counterparts in Italian cinema, Ghirri believed that the local and the universal were inseparable and that life's polarities--love and hate, present and past--were equally compelling. Not surprisingly, his interests encompassed all the arts: he worked in Giorgio Morandi's studio and with architect Aldo Rossi, while influencing a generation of photographers, including Olivo Barbieri and Martin Parr. This dynamic new book includes a selection of Ghirri's essays published in English for the first time, as well as a selected chronology.