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Joan Mitchell David Zwirner Books
Blue Territory is a poetic immersion into the life and art of Joan Mitchell, the great American abstract expressionist painter. A contemporary of Jackson Pollock and Willem De Kooning, she is not as well known as her male counterparts because she was a woman and also because she spent most of her working life in France. Still, in 2013, Bloomsburg Business listed Mitchell as the bestselling female artist of all time. When asked to talk about her paintings, Joan Mitchell often responded,

"If I could say it in words, I'd write a book." Here is her book. At once unique and universal, Blue Territory is at its core an exploration of love and life, and what it means to love - and live - what you do. Meticulously researched and lyrically written, it will appeal to anyone interested in passionate engagement with the world. The book eschews images so as to allow the words to form them, thereby freeing the reader to imagine the paintings, much as Mitchell would have to do before picking up her brush. *Broad Strokes* Univ of California Press
Five women revolutionize the modern art world in postwar America in this "gratifying, generous, and lush" true story from a National Book Award and Pulitzer

Prize finalist (Jennifer Szalai, New York Times). Set amid the most turbulent social and political period of modern times, Ninth Street Women is the impassioned, wild, sometimes tragic, always exhilarating chronicle of five women who dared to enter the male-dominated world of twentieth-century abstract painting -- not as muses but as artists. From their cold-water lofts, where they worked, drank, fought, and loved, these pioneers burst open the door to the art world for themselves and countless others to come. Gutsy and indomitable, Lee Krasner was a hell-raising leader among artists long before she became part of the modern art world's first celebrity couple by marrying Jackson Pollock. Elaine de Kooning, whose

brilliant mind and peerless charm made her the emotional center of the New York School, used her work and words to build a bridge between the avant-garde and a public that scorned abstract art as a hoax. Grace Hartigan fearlessly abandoned life as a New Jersey housewife and mother to achieve stardom as one of the boldest painters of her generation. Joan Mitchell, whose notoriously tough exterior shielded a vulnerable artist within, escaped a privileged but emotionally damaging Chicago childhood to translate her fierce vision into magnificent canvases. And Helen Frankenthaler, the beautiful daughter of a prominent New York family, chose the difficult path of the creative life. Her gamble paid off: At twenty-three she created a work so original it launched a new school of painting. These women changed American art and society, tearing up the prevailing social code and replacing it with a doctrine of liberation. In *Ninth Street Women*, acclaimed author Mary Gabriel tells a remarkable and inspiring story of the power of art and artists in shaping not just postwar America but the future.

Joan Mitchell Grove Press

“Gee, Joan, if only you were French and male and dead.” —New York art dealer to Joan Mitchell, the 1950s She was a steel heiress from the Midwest—Chicago and Lake Forest (her grandfather built Chicago’s bridges and worked for Andrew Carnegie). She was a daughter of the American Revolution—Anglo-Saxon, Republican, Episcopalian. She was tough, disciplined, courageous, dazzling, and went up against the masculine art world at its most entrenched, made her way in it, and disproved their notion that women couldn’t paint. Joan Mitchell is the first full-scale biography of the abstract expressionist painter who came of age in the 1950s, ‘60s, and ‘70s; a portrait of an outrageous artist and her struggling artist world, painters making their way in the second part of America’s twentieth century. As a young girl she was a champion figure skater, and though she lacked balance and coordination, accomplished one athletic triumph after another, until giving up competitive skating to become a painter. Mitchell saw people and things in color; color and emotion were the same to her. She said, “I use the past to make my pic[tures] and I

want all of it and even you and me in candlelight on the train and every ‘lover’ I’ve ever had—every friend—nothing closed out. It’s all part of me and I want to confront it and sleep with it—the dreams—and paint it.” Her work had an unerring sense of formal rectitude, daring, and discipline, as well as delicacy, grace, and awkwardness. Mitchell exuded a young, smoky, tough glamour and was thought of as “sexy as hell.” Albers writes about how Mitchell married her girlhood pal, Barnett Rosset, Jr.—scion of a financier who was head of Chicago’s Metropolitan Trust and partner of Jimmy Roosevelt. Rosset went on to buy Grove Press in 1951, at Mitchell’s urging, and to publish Henry Miller, Samuel Beckett, Jean Genet, Jack Kerouac, Allen Ginsberg, et al., making Grove into the great avant-garde publishing house of its time. Mitchell’s life was messy and reckless: in New York and East Hampton carousing with de Kooning, Frank O’Hara, James Schuyler, Jane Freilicher, Franz Kline, Helen Frankenthaler, and others; going to clambakes, cocktail parties, softball games—and living an entirely different existence in Paris and Vétheuil. Mitchell’s

inner life embraced a world beyond her own craft, especially literature . . . her compositions were informed by imagined landscapes or feelings about places. In Joan Mitchell, Patricia Albers brilliantly reconstructs the painter's large and impassioned life: her growing prominence as an artist; her marriage and affairs; her friendships with poets and painters; her extraordinary work. Joan Mitchell re-creates the times, the people, and her worlds from the 1920s through the 1990s and brings it all spectacularly to life.

Fierce Poise Univ of California Press

One girl, one painting a day...can she do it? Linda Patricia Cleary decided to challenge herself with a year long project starting on January 1, 2014. Choose an artist a day and create a piece in tribute to them. It was a fun, challenging, stressful and psychological experience. She learned about technique, art history, different materials and embracing failure. Here are all 365 pieces. Enjoy!

Love and Capital Chronicle Books

"A groundbreaking biography of Sam Francis, one of the celebrated artists of the twentieth century, and the American painter who brought the vocabulary of

abstract expressionism to Paris. Drawing on exclusive interviews and private correspondence, Gabrielle Selz traces the complex life of this magnetic, globe-trotting artist who first learned to paint as a former air-corps pilot encased in a full-body cast for three years. Selz writes an intimate portrait of a mesmerizing character, a man who sought to resolve in art the contradictions he couldn't resolve in life"--

Joan Mitchell Yale University Press

Drawing into Painting is a survey of works by Joan Mitchell (1925-92) on canvas and paper from 1958 through 1992, the year of her death. For Mitchell, drawing and painting were related but autonomous activities. Her pastels can be as dense as oil paintings, and her oil paintings can be as light and airy as watercolors. The book includes art from each decade of her career, with a formal range spanning flurried strokes and gestural lines of rhapsodic color, to darkly massed forms and complex, multi-panel formats. Mitchell's move to France in 1959, as Mark Rosenthal writes in his essay, "suggests an aesthetic choice whereby she submerged American artistic developments within a

profound embrace of French Impressionism." This decision represented a departure from the influences and goals of her colleagues in the New York School, and harked back to her student days at the School of the Art Institute of Chicago.

Lee Krasner Knopf

A fictional novel that focuses upon the turbulent life and times of one of the founders of the Impressionist movement: Berthe Morisot. This novel was awarded a first prize in historical fiction from the Chanticleer Reviews writing contest.

Joan Mitchell Little, Brown

This publication contains a survey of female abstract expressionist artists, revealing the richness and lasting influence of their work and the movement as a whole as well as highlighting the lack of critical attention they have received to date.

La Luministe David Zwirner Books

Text by Dave Hickey.

Joan Mitchell Wave Books

A superbly illustrated, retrospective survey that focuses on Miró's politically engaged art, published to accompany a major touring exhibition.

Joan Mitchell: I carry my landscapes

around with me Regal House Publishing
A full-scale biography--the first--of the dazzling, outrageous, mythic Abstract Expressionist artist considered today one of the major American painters of the latter half of the 20th century.

Joan Mitchell Harry N. Abrams

Suppose I were to begin by saying that I had fallen in love with a color . . . A lyrical, philosophical, and often explicit exploration of personal suffering and the limitations of vision and love, as refracted through the color blue. With *Bluets*, Maggie Nelson has entered the pantheon of brilliant lyric essayists. Maggie Nelson is the author of numerous books of poetry and nonfiction, including *Something Bright, Then Holes* (Soft Skull Press, 2007) and *Women, the New York School, and Other True Abstractions* (University of Iowa Press, 2007). She lives in Los Angeles and teaches at the California Institute of the Arts.

Shadows, Fire, Snow Yale University Press

Mitchell, a master of color and abstraction, was one of the most respected American artists in the world.

Joan Mitchell 1992 Steidl

This exquisitely illustrated volume and the exhibition that it accompanies restore Joan Mitchell to her rightful place in the history of American artists--one of the few women among the first-rank Abstract Expressionist painters. 145 illustrations, 85 in color.

Joan Mitchell Knopf

One of the most beloved painters of the twentieth century, Giorgio Morandi created works that continue to exert their mysterious power on viewers worldwide. This publication focuses on the period from 1948 to 1964, during which Morandi developed and refined his investigations of serial, reductive, and permutational forms and compositions, a body of work that has had a profound influence on twentieth-century art and painting. Included here are five of the ten iconic "yellow cloth" paintings from 1952, a series featured prominently in the historic 1998 exhibition at the Peggy Guggenheim Collection in Venice, and numerous late paintings by the Italian master. Lavishly reproduced, these immersive plates draw attention to the idiosyncratic perspectival and color-driven decisions that give the work its abstract power. The catalogue is published

on the occasion of the 2015 exhibition of Morandi's paintings from this period at David Zwirner, New York—which, according to *The New York Times*, represent "lucid perfection, at once cerebral and impassioned." It marked the first major presentation of the artist's late work in America since the acclaimed 2008 retrospective at The Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York. In addition to an essay by Laura Mattioli and a foreword by David Leiber, who organized the exhibition, this catalogue includes a fantastic array of contributions by contemporary artists: John Baldessari, Lawrence Carroll, Vija Celmins, Mark Greenwold, Liu Ye, Wayne Thiebaud, Alexi Worth, and Zeng Fanzhi. They offer their personal responses to Morandi's work and to the Zwirner exhibition in particular. Working in different media across many disciplines, this diverse list of contributors is a testament to the reach of Morandi's paintings and their influence on contemporary art.

Joan Snyder David Zwirner Books

I carry my landscapes around with me focuses on American abstract artist Joan Mitchell's large-scale multipanel works

from the 1960s through the 1990s. Mitchell's exploration of the possibilities afforded by combining two to five large canvases allowed her to simultaneously create continuity and rupture, while opening up a panoramic expanse referencing landscapes or the memory of landscapes. Mitchell established a singular approach to abstraction over the course of her career. Her inventive reinterpretation of the traditional figure-ground relationship and synesthetic use of color set her apart from her peers, resulting in intuitively constructed and emotionally charged compositions that alternately evoke individuals, observations, places, and points in time. Art critic John Yau lauded her paintings as "one of the towering achievements of the postwar period." Published on the occasion of the eponymous exhibition at David Zwirner New York in 2019, this book offers a unique opportunity to explore the range of scale and formal experimentation of this innovative area of Mitchell's extensive body of work. It not only features reproductions of each painting in this selection as a whole, but also numerous details that allow an intimate

understanding of the surface texture and brushwork. In the complementing essays, Suzanne Hudson examines boundaries, borders, and edges in Mitchell's multipanel paintings, beginning with her first work of this kind, *The Bridge* (1956), considering them as both physical and conceptual objects; Robert Slifkin discusses the dynamics of repetition and energy in the artist's paintings, in relation to works by Monet and Willem de Kooning, among others.

Joan Mitchell Kunsthaus Bregenz
 "Through rich illustrations and illuminating text, Joan Snyder details the complex evolution of the artist's works, from her evocative brush strokes in *Symphony* and *Summer Orange*, which drip with 'rivulets of feeling,' to her slow progression toward the formal structures of grid landscapes like *Symphony III*, to her bold historical and political works like *Women In Camps*. Since the 1980s, Snyder's paintings have taken on an autobiographical and often deeply personal tone, as expressed in *Love's Pale Graves*. Her latest paintings, such as the majestic *Women Make Lists*, represent a culmination of the grief, jubilation, and, finally, transcendence that

reside in the heart of Snyder's work."--
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Meditations in an Emergency Univ of California Press

A National Book Critics Circle finalist • One of Vogue's Best Books of the Year A dazzling biography of one of the twentieth century's most respected painters, Helen Frankenthaler, as she came of age as an artist in postwar New York "The magic of Alexander Nemerov's portrait of Helen Frankenthaler in *Fierce Poise* is that it reads like one of Helen's paintings. His poetic descriptions of her work and his rich insights into the years when Helen made her first artistic breakthroughs are both light and lush, seemingly easy and yet profound. His book is an ode to a truly great artist who, some seventy years after this story begins, we are only now beginning to understand." —Mary Gabriel, author of *Ninth Street Women* At the dawn of the 1950s, a promising and dedicated young painter named Helen Frankenthaler, fresh out of college, moved back home to New York City to make her name. By the decade's end, she had succeeded in establishing herself as an important American artist of the postwar period. In

the years in between, she made some of the most daring, head-turning paintings of her day and also came into her own as a woman: traveling the world, falling in and out of love, and engaging in an ongoing artistic education. She also experienced anew—and left her mark on—the city in which she had been raised in privilege as the daughter of a judge, even as she left the security of that world to pursue her artistic ambitions. Brought to vivid life by acclaimed art historian Alexander Nemerov, these defining moments—from her first awed encounter with Jackson Pollock's drip paintings to her first solo gallery show to her tumultuous breakup with eminent art critic Clement Greenberg—comprise a portrait as bold and distinctive as the painter herself. Inspired by Pollock and the other male titans of abstract expressionism but committed to charting her own course, Frankenthaler was an artist whose talent was matched only by her unapologetic determination to distinguish herself in a man's world. *Fierce Poise* is an exhilarating ride through New York's 1950s art scene and a brilliant portrait of a young artist through the moments that

shaped her.

Bluets Little, Brown

Between the mid-1950s and the early '60s, the paintings of Joan Mitchell (1925-92) grew exponentially in sophistication and strength. In the summer of 1953 she began to paint outdoors in the Hamptons, developing an engagement with nature, but with a crucial distinction from her male counterparts in the abstract expressionist movement. As the late curator and writer Klaus Kertess wrote, "Pollock's [...] 'I am nature' is very different from Mitchell's being with nature in memory. Pollock is more a shaman, Mitchell more a lover. But both share with van Gogh a high tuned, visceral sensitivity to movement. And both share the quality that [Frank] O'Hara so aptly attributed to Pollock's paintings: 'lyrical desperation.'" This book looks at this period, in which Mitchell began to travel regularly between Paris and New York, and received her first major solo shows in the US and in France.

Soleil chaud, soleil tardif Penguin

L'exposition collective "Soleil chaud, soleil tardif" se veut une ode aux soleils du modernisme et du postmodernisme. Ode aux soleils de Picasso, pour commencer. Si

l'artiste peut généralement être associé au soleil noir, cette nouvelle exposition le place sous la lumière d'un "soleil tardif" à travers la présentation des dernières oeuvres du peintre. Ode, ensuite, aux soleils des maîtres et artistes du XXe et XXIe siècle : Vincent Van Gogh, Alexander Calder, Sigmar Polke, Germaine Richier, Etel Adnan, Joan Mitchell, Giorgio De Chirico, Sun Ra mais aussi Adolphe Monticelli - peintre chéri de Vincent Van Gogh que l'on associe au Sud de la France. S'inscrivant dans la programmation initiée par le musée Picasso-Paris intitulée "Picasso-Méditerranée", l'exposition "Soleil chaud, soleil tardif" présente des artistes entretenant un rapport avec la Méditerranée et propose une myriade d'associations à partir de l'oeuvre de Picasso. Des prêts exceptionnels font par ailleurs de cette manifestation un événement incontournable, avec la réunion de sept toiles de Picasso et autant de Vincent Van Gogh. Ce catalogue reflète la richesse et la liberté de cette exposition à travers deux essais, de Bice Curiger et de Francesco Bonami, ainsi qu'un entretien mené avec la spécialiste de Picasso Marie-Laure Bernadac et le

critique d'art Judicaël Lavrador.