



BEAUTIFUL MADNESS

ART WRITING AS ART CURATING

- OPENS UP NEW WAYS OF LOOKING AT, WRITING ABOUT, AND UNDERSTANDING ART
- EXPLORES THE SIGNIFICANCE OF THE INDIVIDUAL CONTRIBUTION IN ART

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KREMER SUMMARIZED HIS EXPERIENCE OF CURATING AND WRITING INTO SOME GUIDING LINES:

1. ACKNOWLEDGE AND CONNECT WITH THE ARTISTIC/INTELLECTUAL MATERIAL.
2. IDENTIFY WHAT YOU DON'T KNOW YET; DEFINE THE PERTINENT QUESTIONS.
3. CONSIDER TOGETHER, AS ONE, THE ARTIST'S STANCE/ATTITUDE, THE WORK, RELEVANT IDEAS AND ASSOCIATIONS.
4. BECOME EMPTY, 'THE GREAT RECEIVER', WORK WITH ASPECTS THAT COME SPONTANEOUSLY AND TRIGGER YOU.
5. CONTACT THE ARTIST IN A DIRECT WAY, OR NOT. IF YOU CHOOSE THE SECOND APPROACH, TRY NEVERTHELESS TO GET AS CLOSE AS POSSIBLE, IMAGINE THAT YOU ARE NEXT TO THE PERSON OF THE ARTIST, THEIR WORK, THEIR IDEAS.
6. READ RANDOM STUFF OR LEARNED STUDIES ALONGSIDE, LISTEN TO MUSIC YOU LIKE, SEE WHAT POPS US; USE IT.
7. MAKE A GOOD BEGINNING; THINK OF YOUR TEXT'S TITLE DURING THE WHOLE PROCESS; WHAT'S YOUR MESSAGE?
8. ALTERNATE THE MACROSCOPIC VIEW-POINT (LONG SHOT) WITH THE MICROSCOPIC PERSPECTIVE: DETAILS MATTER.
9. DEVELOP AND HAVE TRUST IN YOUR LANGUAGE.

MARK KREMER (b. 1963, NL) is an independent curator and writer, based in Amsterdam. He studied art history, comparative literature, and film studies. Since 1987, he has been working in and with several art institutes, educational programmes, and has curated numerous international exhibitions.

Curating exhibitions and 'art writing' are closely related: both activities construct a meaningful narrative about artefacts and artists, both interact with a public, viewers/readers; both make space for the experience of art objects. For their work, curators and art writers tap the primary source: the living artist, their work and world. Both cherish a proximity to the maker, for it allows them to delve into artistic processes, consider things in a state of becoming. An essential tool for curators and art writers alike is the dialogue with the artist.

Mark Kremer has been writing, curating, teaching, and interacting with artists for decades. *Beautiful Madness* is an accumulation of his writings on contemporary art (1993–2023). The book gathers pieces along lines of affinity, themes, and attitudes, structured in five topics: Trace; Gesture; Rudiment; Polyphony; Fortitude. It mirrors his experiences with art curating, writing, thinking and is of value to anybody who wants to sharpen their pen, and rethink what curating might mean.

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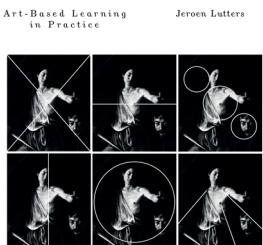
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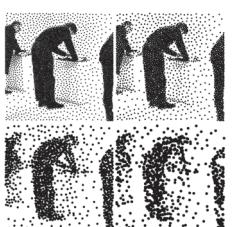
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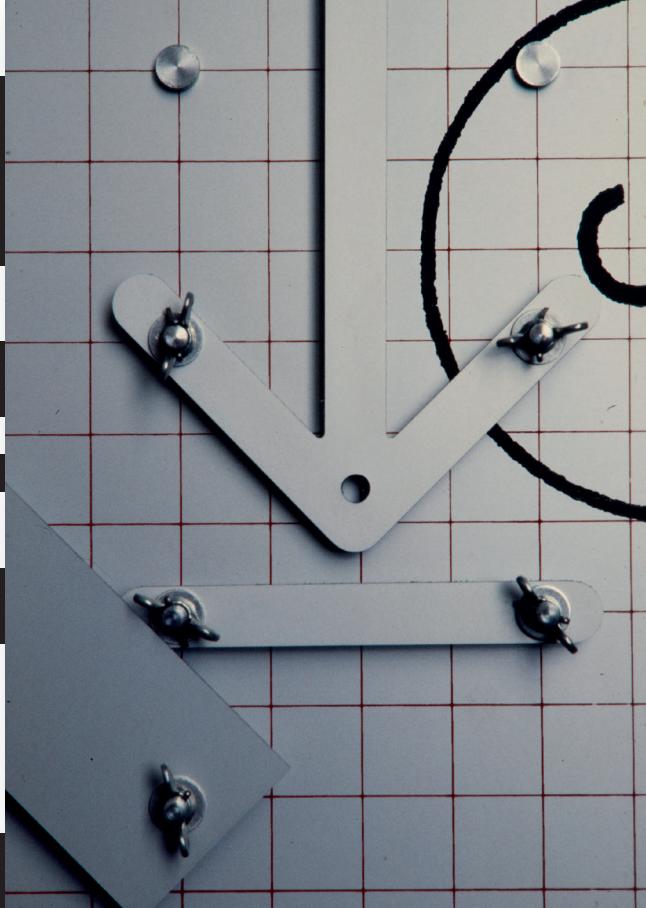
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→ FOLLOWS WORKING PROCESSES ALONG MANY SKETCHES, MODELS, AND FINAL RESULTS

→ READS LIKE AN ADVENTURE NOVEL, WITH LOTS OF CONTEXT, AND A MYRIAD OF IMAGES

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LEONIE TEN DUIS is an art historian and writer. One of her best-known books is *The World Must Change: Graphic Design and Idealism / De wereld moe(s)t anders: grafisch ontwerpen en idealisme*.

Gert Dumbar (1940) is one of the most influential—and colourful—graphic designers in the postwar design field, both in the Netherlands and abroad. As a young partner in Tel Design, he designed one of the most iconic symbols in the Dutch public domain, the logo for the Dutch National Railways, NS, to which he has added countless designs for other clients with his own Studio Dumbar. Applauded or reviled, Studio Dumbar has left an indelible mark on Dutch and international visual culture.

Dumbar produced a vast amount of work, for an enormously varied clientele, from avant-garde theatres to the central government, from hospitals to multinationals. That work and the *Werdegang* of its namesake are now—for the first time—described and interpreted with great verve by the two authors in a richly illustrated book.

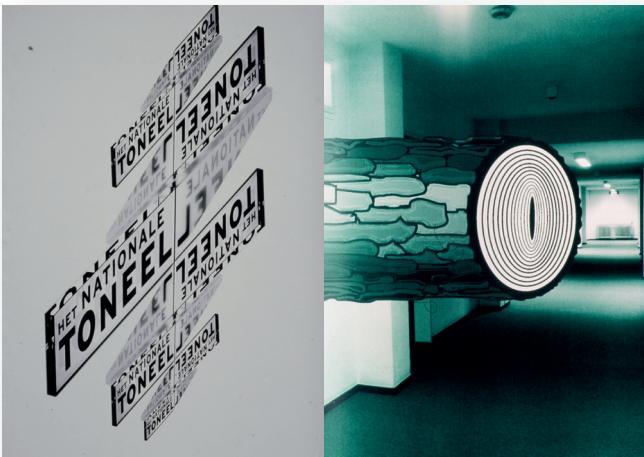
Gert Dumbar, Gentleman Maverick of Dutch Design considers this fabulously versatile oeuvre in its time and context and examines the various roles Dumbar played—that of artist, provocateur and ‘design director’, student and teacher, cultural initiator and mediator. Unique is the treasure trove of sketches from the Studio’s archives, which were abundantly sampled for the book. It provides insight into Dumbar’s independent, agile mind, his gift for engaging talented young designers, and his ability to time and again seduce his very diverse commissioners to tread unconventional paths.

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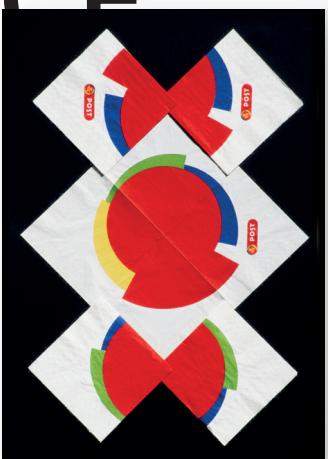
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- WITH MANY DIFFERENT VIEWS ON HOW ART, SCIENCE AND ACTIVISM CAN INTERACT IN FINDING NEW PERSPECTIVES

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How can art, science and institutional practices counteract the negative consequences of climate and ecological breakdown? How can these practices and ideas advance systemic change? *Worlding Ecologies* serves as an anthology of examples and a wayward navigational tool, assembling eighteen authors exploring this question from their diverse backgrounds—as scientists, artists, philosophers, activists, theorists and curators—to rigorously approach urgent ecological challenges, including climate breakdown, pollution, biodiversity loss, environmental and social justice.

This book emphasizes the fundamental role of art as a vehicle and support structure for intersectional ecological thought. Whilst navigating imagination, worlding-possibility, science fact, social justice and climate action, the book prompts a fundamental role for art to create the blueprints for regenerative and sustainable more-than-human worlds. Structured alongside three sections—Science and Climate Truth; Activism and Climate Justice; Social Justice in Institutional Ecosystems—*Worlding Ecologies* moves from fieldwork-taking to patchwork-making, unifying the arts with science, politics and ecology into a field of synthetic thought and commitment.

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RADIUS is a center for contemporary art and ecology in Delft (NL). RADIUS works collaboratively with artists and other stakeholders to tell the urgent and necessary story of climate and systems change by means of art (such as exhibitions, public and educational programmes).

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THE ARCHITECTURE OF LONELINESS

- ENCOURAGES AN OPEN WAY TO LOOK AT AND INTERACT WITH ‘THE OTHER’
- ADVOCATES FOR SINCERE AND MEANINGFUL GESTURES OF WELCOMING ‘THE OTHER’, MIGRANTS AND DISPLACED PEOPLE

The aftermath of the Covid restrictions, mental problems, being confronted with the influx of people with a different background and culture, the alienation of ourselves and of others, not being able to relate to other people; these can all cause deep feelings of loneliness. What is loneliness, as different from solitude? Whereas solitude is a chosen condition that refrains from social relations, loneliness suffers from the lack of these.

The three essays in this book each explore a side of loneliness, strongly connected to the encounter with the other. South-African psychologist Wahbie Long lays out what kind of relationships to the outside world emerge from childhood experiences of playing and relating to others. He dives into the difficulty of not only encountering, but *finding* others. Long brings together a great many aspects that all contribute to the feeling of loneliness that characterizes the lives of migrants, asylum seekers, or refugees on the road.

French philosopher Marie - José Mondzain uses the metaphor of architecture with its terms as threshold, doors, walls, windows, a bench in front of the frontal wall; elements that construct ‘home’, the architectural and emotional place where encounters can happen, where ‘strangers’ should be welcomed and trusted.

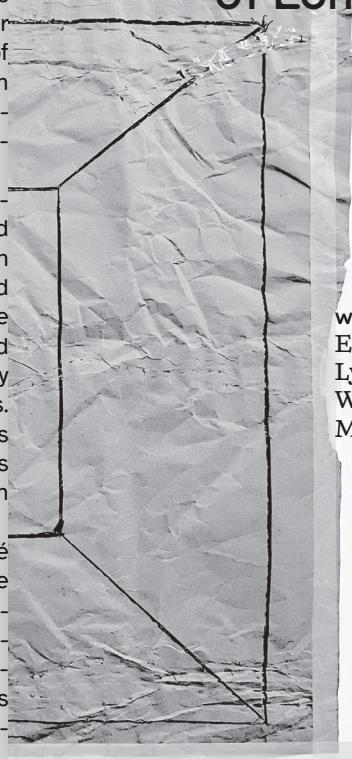
French psychoanalyst Lysiane Lamantowicz discusses a form of loneliness that we see all around us: the consequences of social networks on the internet. Although it seems that we are part of a crowd, that we have many ‘friends’, we are in reality alone in front of a computer screen. What is the effect on how people can still relate to the intricacies of real life?

In our current harsh political climate this book encourages a heartfelt interest and connection with your ‘neighbour’, close and far.

The Architecture of Loneliness

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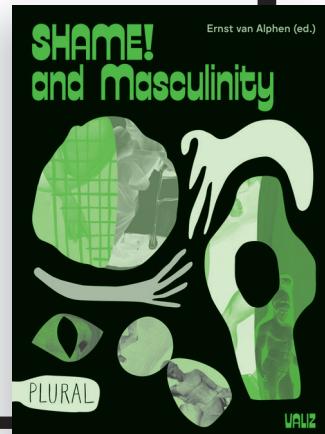
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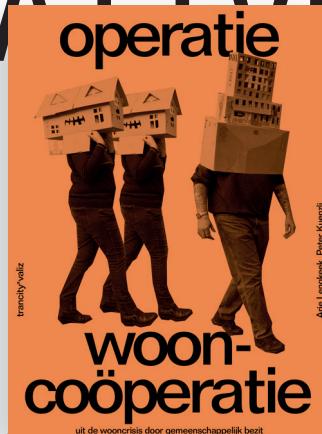
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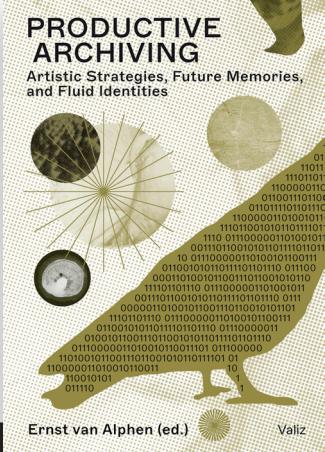
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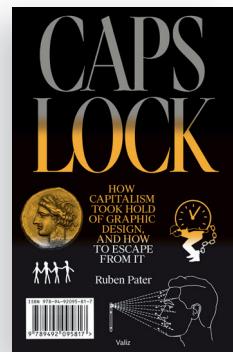
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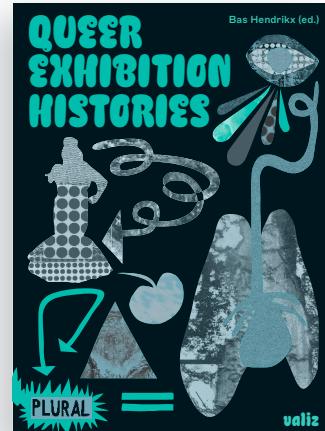
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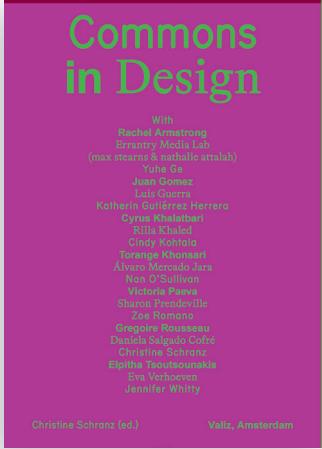
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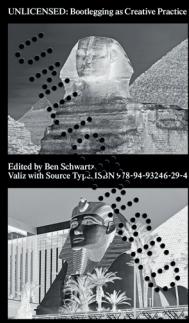
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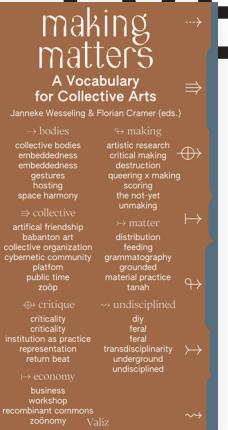
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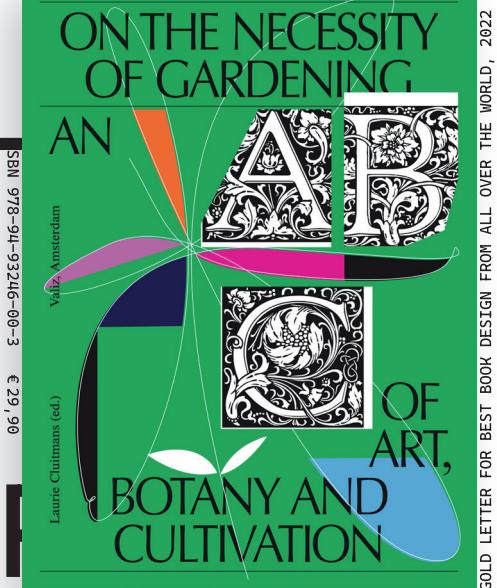
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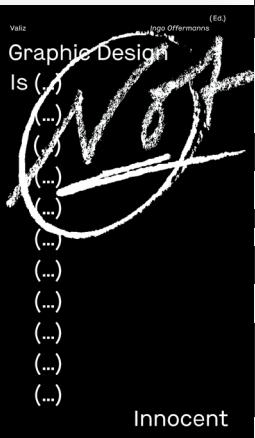
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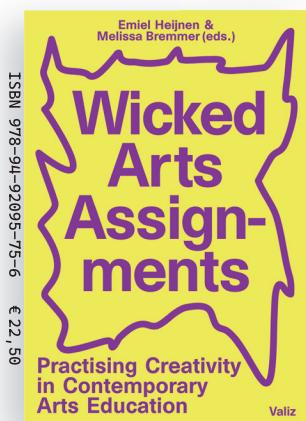
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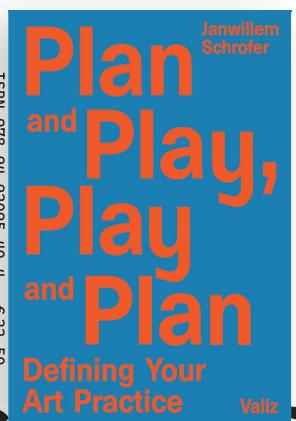
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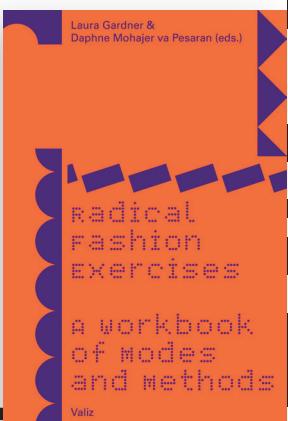
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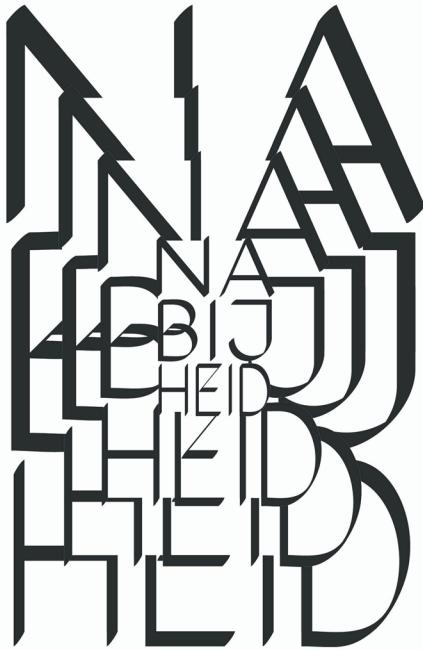
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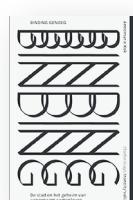
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Dit boek wijst op de cruciale rol die de culturele commons, of mooier in het Nederlands, het cultureel ‘gemeen’ hierin speelt. Vertrouwen is immers een kwestie van cultuur, van gevoel en zelfs van esthetiek. Breed maatschappelijk vertrouwen begint bij het delen van kwetsbaarheden en het gemeen biedt daar volgens Pascal Gielen de ruimte voor. Ademruimte. Hij vraagt zich daarom af hoe een samenleving en een beleid hierop kunnen bouwen.

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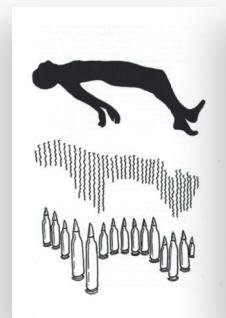
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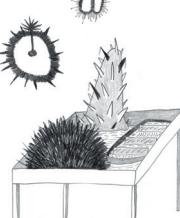
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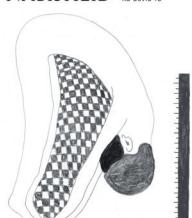
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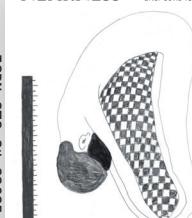
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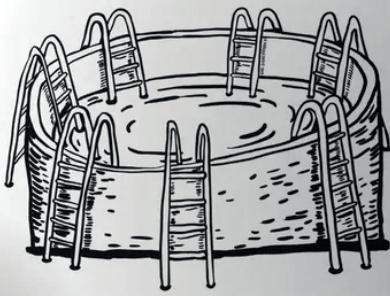
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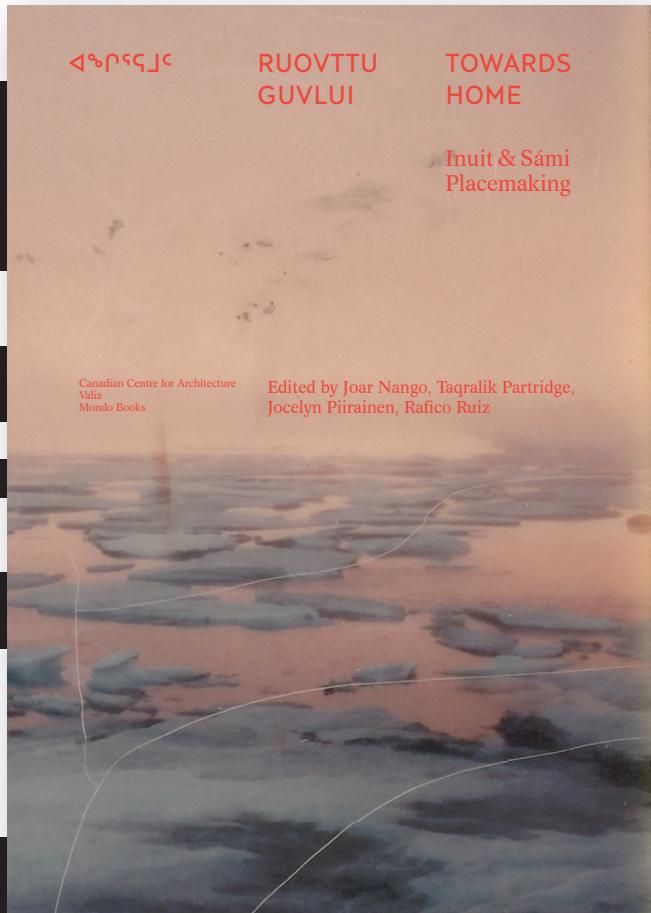
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CONCEPTIONS INUITES ET SAMIES DU LIEU

→ WHAT COULD HOME BECOME ACROSS INUIT NUNANGAT, SÁPMI, AND THE NORTH WHEN DEFINED BY INDIGENOUS ARCHITECTS AND DESIGNERS?



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Guvlui, an Indigenous-led publication, explores how Inuit, Sámi, and other communities across the Arctic are creating self-determined spaces. It is informed by the perspectives of a group of Inuit, Sámi, and settler co-editors who advocate northern Indigenous forms of sovereignty shaped by an understanding of the land as home. The project emphasizes caring for and living on the land as a way of being, and celebrates practices of spacemaking and placemaking that empower Indigenous communities. It contains essays, artworks, photographs, personal narratives, and other forms that express Indigenous notions of home, land, future, kinship, design, and memory.

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AGAINST URBAN PERFECTION TOWARDS COLLECTIVE ALTERNATIVES

In cities around the world a new urban condition is spreading rapidly: an ever-increasing push for 'perfection', efficiency and control and the active eradication of any aberration, friction or alternative. The smooth city with its sanitized spaces and new technologies compresses urban life into a seamless experience. While the demand for safe, clean, and well-functioning urban environments is understandable, the rise of the smooth city hardly leaves space for anything that is experimental, non-normative, transgressive or otherwise out of tune.

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METABOLIC DESIGN FOR NEW URBAN FORMS & FUNCTIONS

The City as a System advocates a change of perspective in the study of the urban environment. It posits that designers who wish to truly improve the functioning of the city and solve tricky urban problems should conduct thorough research into underlying systems, into the operation, use, and performance of the urban fabric. The authors see this as the metabolism of the city, a living organism, whose interlinked workings play a crucial role in the transition towards a more sustainable living environment.

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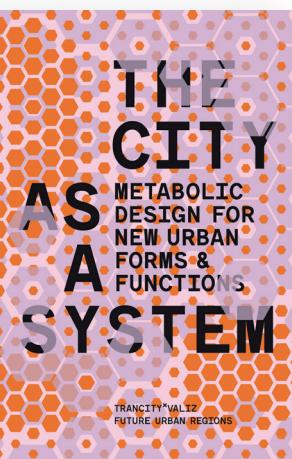
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SENSING EARTH CULTURAL QUESTS ACROSS A HEATED GLOBE

Artists and cultural initiatives need circulation to be able to exchange ideas and create meaningful connections. Traveling and visiting international exhibitions are part of that. But this globalized system contributes largely to the ecological decay of the planet. In this book various artists/authors look for entrances to address this double bind, and explore possible ways out. They state that technology and science are not enough to solve the ecological issues, but that these should also be approached from the perspective of culture, aesthetics and politics. Our senses, cultural exchange and creative efforts can provide ways to avoid physical, emotional, intellectual and ecological 'overheating'.

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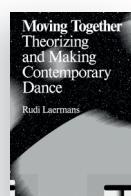
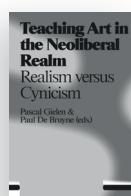
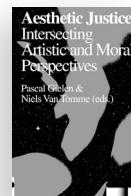
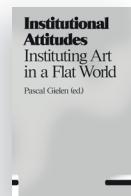
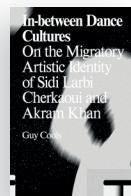
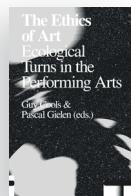
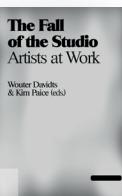
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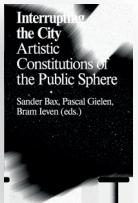
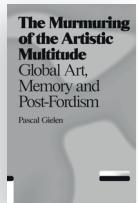
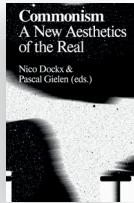
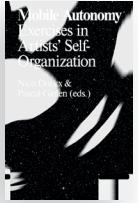
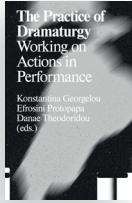
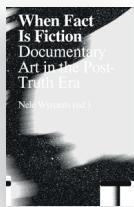
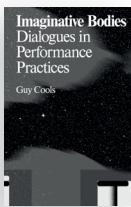
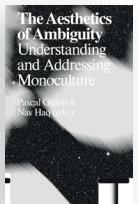
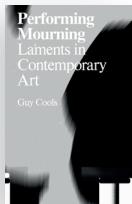
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