A former anthropologist, Susan Hiller has been a pioneer in exploring the arena between the art domain and the world in general. Her involvement in art and feminism, her postcolonial analyses of cultural politics are foregrounded in this volume which brings together previously published texts and interviews, improvised talks, papers, invitational keynote lectures, discussion with other artists, etc.

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