





Discrepant Abstraction

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Discrepant Abstraction is hybrid and partial, elusive and repetitive, obstinate and strange: it includes almost everything that does not neatly fit into the institutional narrative of abstract art as a monolithic quest for artistic 'purity'. Exploring cross-cultural scenarios in 20th century art, this groundbreaking collection alters the understanding of abstract art as a signifier of modernity by revealing the multiple directions it has taken in diverse international contexts.

Impure, imperfect and incomplete, the version of abstraction that emerges from this global journey – from Hong Kong and Islamic regions to Canada, Australia, Europe and the United States – shows how the formal ingenuity of abstract art has been cross-fertilised, from abstract expressionism onwards, by creative discrepancies that arise when disparate visual languages are brought into dialogue.

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