AUTOMANIA
Edited by Juliet Kinchin. With contributions by Paul Galloway and Andrew Gardner

Drawing on the wealth of automobile-related design, art, and architecture in MoMA’s collection, Automania takes an in-depth look at an industrial object that changed the world. From its first appearance as a plaything for the rich in the 1890s to its establishment as a utilitarian necessity of modern life, the car has transformed how we live, work, and enjoy ourselves, inspiring countless designers and artists working in varied media. Some have viewed the automobile as the ultimate expression of technological progress, capable of bringing about widespread economic growth and positive societal change. Others have seen it as the enemy of humanistic values, leading only to rising fatalities and the proliferation of waste and pollution. But all have recognized it as central to contemporary life, design, and culture. Automania traces the rich cultural history of the car while giving pride of place to the ten vehicles in the Museum’s collection, which mark pivotal moments in the history of automotive design.
The Jaguar E-Type
(Doesn’t look like a jaguar to me, but I bet it roars)

The Cisitalia
(Chi-zih-TAL-ya)

The Porsche
(POR-shuh)

Oooh, but what about this one?
It looks fast. When I put the top down I would feel the wind in my hair.

I could be a super-cool secret agent and drive a super-cool car.

Or maybe it should be this one. Nobody would catch me.

CARS! CARS! CARS!
Featuring Cars from the Collection of The Museum of Modern Art
By Kimi Weart

Meet Rosario—she loves cars! She knows everything there is to know about cars. She can’t wait until she can drive a car. But which one does she want? A race car? A spy car? A purple, green, or blue car? Which would you choose?

As Rosario considers her options, from a Ferrari F1 race car to a Volkswagen to a Smart Car, she realizes that her dream car might not be the one she expected. This whimsical children’s book, featuring ten cars from the collection of The Museum of Modern Art, invites young readers to imagine their own ideal vehicle, and to think about what’s best for the environment and the future. Through Rosario’s journey, readers learn that the history of the car is one of innovation and artistic achievement.
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ADAM PENDLETON
Who Is Queen? A Reader

Edited by Adam Pendleton with Alec Mapes-Frances. Introduction by Stuart Comer. Contributions by Adrienne Edwards, Mario Gooden, Danielle A. Jackson, and Lynne Tillman

In his paintings, drawings, and other works, the artist Adam Pendleton calls on a broad range of artistic and cultural currents—including Dada, Minimalism, and Black Power—to explore the ways in which context influences meaning. Through his reconfigurations of words, forms, and images, he questions long-accepted historical narratives about representation and abstraction.

Published to accompany the installation Who Is Queen? at The Museum of Modern Art, this reader serves as a primer and a handbook. It includes photocopies of texts that have been critical to Pendleton’s practice, including the work of such disparate figures as Glenn Gould, Michael Hardt, and Ruby Sales, alongside images of Resurrection City and Pendleton’s own drawings. The texts pick up and elaborate on the exhibition’s themes: the idea of the museum as a repository for meaning and the influence that mass movements—including recent ones such as Black Lives Matter and Occupy—can have on the exhibition as form.
SOPHIE TAEUBER-ARP
Living Abstraction
Edited by Anne Umland and Walburga Krupp with Charlotte Healy. With contributions by Laura Braverman, Leah Dickerman, Briony Fer, Mark Franko, Maria Gough, Jodi Hauptman, Medea Hoch, Juliet Kinchin, Eva Reifert, Natalia Sidlina, T’ai Smith, Adrian Sudhalter, Jana Teuscher, Michael White, and Annie Wilker

Published to accompany the first retrospective of Sophie Taeuber-Arp’s work in the United States in forty years, *Sophie Taeuber-Arp: Living Abstraction* presents a comprehensive survey of this multifaceted innovator’s wide-ranging body of work and establishes unequivocally her place in the pantheon of twentieth-century abstract art. Taeuber-Arp’s background in the applied arts and dance, her involvement in the Zurich Dada movement, and her projects for architectural spaces were essential to her development of a uniquely versatile and vibrant abstract vocabulary. Through her artistic output and various professional alliances, Taeuber-Arp consistently challenged the historically constructed boundaries separating fine art from craft and design.

This richly illustrated catalogue explores the artist’s interdisciplinary and cross-pollinating approach to abstraction through some four hundred works, including textiles, beadwork, polychrome marionettes, architectural and interior designs, stained-glass windows, works on paper, paintings, and relief sculptures.
Over the course of her protean career, Meret Oppenheim produced witty, unconventional work that defies neat categorizations of medium, style, and subject matter. “Nobody will give you freedom,” she stated in 1975. “You have to take it.” Her freewheeling, subversively humorous artistic practice was always in constant flux yet held together by the singularity and force of her creative vision.

Published in conjunction with the first major transatlantic Meret Oppenheim retrospective, and the first in the United States in over twenty-five years, this publication surveys work from the radically open Swiss artist’s precocious debut in 1930s Paris, the period during which her notorious fur-lined Object (in MoMA’s collection) was made, through her post–World War II artistic development, which included engagements with international Pop, Nouveau Réalisme, and Conceptual art, and up to her death in 1985. Essays critically examine the artist’s wide-ranging, wildly imaginative body of work and her active role in shaping the narrative of her life and art.
“Drawing is merely the configuration of what you see,” Paul Cézanne wrote, and his practice of drawing, he believed, taught him “to see well.” Cézanne drew almost daily, hiking to views of nature; returning repeatedly to subjects close at hand, such as his wife, his son, and the objects in his home; and envisioning scenes from his imagination. The resulting works, in watercolor and pencil, are some of the artist’s most radical. Accompanying a major exhibition at The Museum of Modern Art, Cézanne Drawing is a career-spanning appraisal of the artist’s works on paper, revealing the essential role drawing played in shaping Cézanne’s vision.

Alexander Calder’s work first appeared at The Museum of Modern Art in 1930. Over the next decades his connection with the Museum would be deep and mutually beneficial. Calder cultivated relationships with notable figures, including Alfred H. Barr Jr., the Museum’s founding director. His work is imprinted on MoMA’s early history, not only for its innovation but also for its presence at significant moments. Alexander Calder: Modern from the Start celebrates this fertile relationship. Through MoMA, Calder came to be known as a pioneer of modern sculpture, and through Calder, MoMA came to understand itself as an American museum of modern art.

Reconstructions is an urgent call for architects to reconceive our built environment rather than continue giving shape to buildings, infrastructure, and urban plans that have sustained anti-Black racism in the United States. The architects, designers, artists, and writers who contributed to this book—and to the exhibition at The Museum of Modern Art which it accompanied—reimagine the legacies of race-based dispossession in ten American cities and celebrate Black cultural spaces, forms, and practices as sites of imagination, liberation, resistance, and care. Essays and a portfolio of new photographs complement this volume’s presentations of the projects at the heart of MoMA’s groundbreaking exhibition.
ROOTS AND WINGS
How Shahzia Sikander Became an Artist
By Shahzia Sikander and Amy Novesky. Illustrations by Hanna Barczyk

Growing up in Lahore, Pakistan, Shahzia flew kites, ate fruit from jamun trees, and devoured Russian fairy tales, American Westerns, and Bollywood films. She also read poetry in Urdu, her own language, and learned the slow and detailed painting technique of Indo-Persian miniatures. And when she moved far from home to study art, she brought her roots with her. Roots and Wings is a deeply personal story about how an artist grows. It is based on the childhood of Shahzia Sikander, one of the most exciting and celebrated artists working today.

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