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The catalog for VIENNA 1900: ART, ARCHITECTURE & DESIGN is a thought-provoking study of a period in the history of modern art which has never been examined in a major exhibition in the United States. Written by the exhibition's organizer Kirk Varnedoe, adjunct curator in the Department of Painting and Sculpture and professor at New York University's Institute of Fine Arts, the catalog provides an overview of the visual arts in turn-of-the-century Vienna.

In the years before World War I, Vienna was the governing capital of a vast empire, as well as the center of intellectual and artistic experimentation in Central Europe. Professor Varnedoe explores the social context in which artistic movements flourished, and synthesizes the research that has emerged since the sixties when interest in this period of Viennese art and architecture was renewed. Included are analyses of the painting of Klimt, Kokoschka, and Schiele; the architecture of Hoffmann, Loos, Olbrich, and Wagner; and the design work of Czeska, Moser, and other members of the Wiener Werkstätte.

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