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Posthumanism in Italian Literature and Film - Enrica Maria Ferrara
2020-08-10

As humans re-negotiate their boundaries with the nonhuman world of animals, inanimate entities and technological artefacts, new identities are formed and a new epistemological and ethical approach to reality is needed. Through twelve thought-provoking, scholarly essays, this volume analyzes works by a range of modern and contemporary Italian authors, from Giacomo Leopardi to Elena Ferrante, who have captured the shift from anthropocentrism and postmodernism to posthumanism. Indeed, this is the first academic volume investigating narrative configurations of posthuman identity in Italian literature and film.

Music in Greek and Roman Culture - Giovanni Comotti 1991-04-01
Drawing upon the full range of ancient source materials, the author examines such topics as musical form and style, instruments, poet-composers, and the role of music in ancient society.

The Dilemma of Narcissus - Louis Lavelle 1993-01-01

As long as we take ourselves as ego, we can glimpse Soul only fleetingly and always as "out there". We are left longing for more and turned in the wrong direction to get it. Yet without ego there will be no appearance at all, nothing to awaken us to the Beauty of our own unknown Selfhood beyond the self we take ourselves to be. With exquisite understanding and great literary skill, Lavelle takes us deep into a meditation on this existential dilemma -- showing us which self to forget, and which to "know" in the Socratic sense. He shows us how to awaken to our "genius" beyond ego, the intimate living-wholeness that unites us with Reality's ongoing transcendence of ourselves both without and within. It is not possible to overemphasise the importance of the spiritual and moral implications he draws out for how to recognise our vocation and participate fully in community. A masterpiece.

Economy of the Unlost - Anne Carson 2009-04-11

The ancient Greek lyric poet Simonides of Keos was the first poet in the Western tradition to take money for poetic composition. From this starting point, Anne Carson launches an exploration, poetic in its own right, of the idea of poetic economy. She offers a reading of certain of Simonides' texts and aligns these with writings of the modern Romanian poet Paul Celan, a Jew and survivor of the Holocaust, whose "economies" of language are notorious. Asking such questions as, What is lost when words are wasted? and Who profits when words are saved? Carson reveals the two poets' striking commonalities. In Carson's view Simonides and Celan share a similar mentality or disposition toward the world, language and the work of the poet. Economy of the Unlost begins by showing how each of the two poets stands in a state of alienation between two worlds. In Simonides' case, the gift economy of fifth-century b.c. Greece was giving way to one based on money and commodities, while Celan's life spanned pre- and post-Holocaust worlds, and he himself, writing in German, became estranged from his native language. Carson goes on to consider various aspects of the two poets' techniques for coming to grips with the invisible through the visible world. A focus on the genre of the epitaph grants insights into the kinds of exchange the poets envision between the living and the dead. Assessing the impact on Simonidean composition of the material fact of inscription on stone, Carson suggests that a need for brevity influenced the exactitude and clarity of Simonides' style, and proposes a comparison with Celan's interest in the "negative design" of printmaking: both poets, though in different ways, employ a kind of negative image making, cutting away all that is superfluous. This book's juxtaposition of the two poets illuminates their differences--Simonides' fundamental faith in the power of the word, Celan's ultimate despair--as well as their similarities; it provides fertile ground for the virtuosic interplay of Carson's scholarship and her poetic sensibility.

Education for a Democratic Society - John Ryder 2007-01

This book is the third volume of selected papers from the Central European Pragmatist Forum (CEPF). It deals with the general question of

education, and the papers are organized into sections on Education and Democracy, Education and Values, Education and Social Reconstruction, and Education and the Self. The authors are among the leading specialists in American philosophy from universities across the U.S. and in Central and Eastern Europe. The series Studies in Pragmatism and Values promotes the study of pragmatism's traditions and figures, and the explorations of pragmatic inquiries in all areas of philosophical thought.

The Monster Loves His Labyrinth - Charles Simic 2013-10-10

The personal notebooks of our new Poet Laureate.

A Cartographic Turn - Elsa Chavinier 2016-03-15

The Cartographic Turn contains contributions on maps and cartography from multiple authors from various disciplines: geography, demography, cartography, art theory, architecture and philosophy. While such diversity could imply that this book is a collection of independent contributions gathered only by their topic, this impression would be misleading. Rather, this book develops four simple propositions that actually can be streamlined into a single concept expressed through four different perspectives. Above all, maps convey rational, aesthetic, ethical and personal messages, at times separately but more often in unison, and this mix offers ample fields for studying social complexity. Beyond that, maps are, by their very existence, both representations of pre-existing spaces and creations of new spaces. Consequently, the historical or anthropological analysis of maps as semantic objects should be connected to the production of new maps, namely those that take advantage of the powerful tools provided by digital technology. Finally, the issues of contemporary mapping should be read in light of recent innovations within social sciences on space. Before this cartographic turn, technicians, historians, users and exegetes were distinct and decidedly turned away from each other. The era of the singular engineer-designed map is past. Maps have gained many new actors, and these actors are critical thinkers. This book would modestly like to contribute to a durable association between mapping and reflexivity. Cartographers, historians of cartography, geographers, visual scientists and artists, social scientists as well as advanced students in these disciplines will appreciate and benefit from reading The Cartographic Turn.

On the Cave of the Nymphs in the Thirteenth Book of the Odyssey - Porphyry 1917

Posthumous Diary, Diario Postumo - Eugenio Montale 2001

Dual language edition of mysterious last works greatest Italian poet of 20th century

Barbarians and Politics at the Court of Arcadius - Alan Cameron
2018-05-18

The chaotic events of A.D. 395-400 marked a momentous turning point for the Roman Empire and its relationship to the barbarian peoples under and beyond its command. In this masterly study, Alan Cameron and Jacqueline Long propose a complete rewriting of received wisdom concerning the social and political history of these years. Our knowledge of the period comes to us in part through Synesius of Cyrene, who recorded his view of events in his *De regno* and *De providentia*. By redating these works, Cameron and Long offer a vital new interpretation of the interactions of pagans and Christians, Goths and Romans. In 394/95, during the last four months of his life, the emperor Theodosius I ruled as sole Augustus over a united Roman Empire that had been divided between at least two emperors for most of the preceding one hundred years. Not only did the death of Theodosius set off a struggle between Roman officeholders of the two empires, but it also set off renewed efforts by the barbarian Goths to seize both territory and office. Theodosius had encouraged high-ranking Goths to enter Roman military service; thus well placed, their efforts would lead to Alaric's sack of Rome in 410. Though the authors' interest is in the particularities of events, *Barbarians and Politics at the Court of Arcadius* conveys a wonderful sense of the general time and place. Cameron and Long's

rebuttal of modern scholarship, which pervades the narrative, enhances the reader's engagement with the complexities of interpretation. The result is a sophisticated recounting of a period of crucial change in the Roman Empire's relationship to the non-Roman world. This title is part of UC Press's Voices Revived program, which commemorates University of California Press's mission to seek out and cultivate the brightest minds and give them voice, reach, and impact. Drawing on a backlist dating to 1893, Voices Revived makes high-quality, peer-reviewed scholarship accessible once again using print-on-demand technology. This title was originally published in 1993.

Eros and Pathos - Aldo Carotenuto 1989

Why do we fear love? How do we invite betrayal? What can we learn about ourselves from eroticism, abandonment, solitude? What unconscious drives are at work and seduction and jealousy? Are love, suffering and creativity connected? This book brings to light a treasure in the darkness.

The Bedroom - Attilio Bertolucci 2012

Poetry. Bilingual Edition. Translated from the Italian by Luigi Bonaffini. THE BEDROOM [La camera da letto] is Bertolucci's best-known work, so popular that the poet once read it to television viewers on a seven-hour program. It is a narrative poem that traces the history of the poet's family across seven generations with directness, precision and attention to everyday details, major events and fantastic surprises. Paolo Lagazzi writes in his introduction: "THE BEDROOM is a sort of a multi-novel, or a distillation of very diverse narrative forms and intuitions: a Bildungsroman and fairytale, an epoch novel, a novel-chronicle, a dramatic novel and a picaresque novel. An experimental work in the most authentic sense of the word..." "Nothing of time's essence escapes or is neglected by the author's ravenous sensibility, no less active in recording the multiple places in which existence rests (the city and the countryside, the sea and the plane, the Po river and the Maremma) in an exuberant display of forms, lights, perspectives, tonalities."—Luigi Ferrara

Theory of the Novel - Guido Mazzoni 2017-01-02

In his theory of the novel, Guido Mazzoni explains that novels consist of stories told in any way whatsoever about the experiences of ordinary men and women who exist as contingent beings within time and space. Novels allow readers to step into other lives and other versions of truth, each a small, local world, absolute in its particularity.

Socially Symbolic Acts - Joseph Francese 2006

This book discusses issues of broad cultural consequence by examining the work of three of Italy's most prominent living novelists, Umberto Eco, Vincenzo Consolo, and Antonio Tabucchi. The introductory chapter continues a discussion of some of the topics already broached in the author's *Narrating Postmodern Time and Space* (1997). It uses an approach that is both historicist and psychoanalytic to critically address topics in cultural studies and Italian studies. The book deals with fictions of very recent publication, many of which have been published after the turn of the millennium, filling important gaps in the critical bibliography. Close readings relate texts to their historical and cultural contexts, critiquing their ideology while preserving their Utopian moments.

Postcards from the Dead 2007-2017 - Franco Arminio 2018-07-25

Franco Arminio (1960) was born and lives in Bisaccia (Irpinia d'Oriente), Italy. He has published some twenty books, and is also a photographer and maker of documentary films. As a paesologist he has written for years in journals and on the web in defense of small places. He conceived and developed the House of Paesology in Treviso and the festival of The Moon and the Badlands at Aliano (www.lalunaeicalanchi.it).

Haiku for a Season / Haiku per una stagione - Andrea Zanzotto 2012-10-29

Andrea Zanzotto is one of the most important and acclaimed poets of postwar Italy. This collection of ninety-one pseudo-haiku in English and Italian—written over several months during 1984 and then revised slowly over the years—confirms his commitment to experimentation throughout his life. *Haiku for a Season* represents a multilevel experiment for Zanzotto: first, to compose poetry bilingually; and second, to write in a form foreign to Western poetry. The volume traces the life of a woman from youth to adulthood, using the seasons and the varying landscape as a mirror to reflect her growth and changing attitudes and perceptions. With a lifelong interest in the intersections of nature and culture, Zanzotto displays here his usual precise and surprising sense of the living world. These never-before-published original poems in English appear alongside their Italian versions—not strict translations but parallel texts that can be read separately or in conjunction with the originals. As a sequence of interlinked poems, *Haiku for a Season* reveals Zanzotto also as a master poet of minimalism. Zanzotto's recent death is

a blow to world poetry, and the publication of this book, the last that he approved in manuscript, will be an event in both the United States and in Italy.

The Cube and the Face - Georges Didi-Huberman 2015-06-15

Alberto Giacometti's 1934 *Cube* stands apart for many as atypical of the Swiss artist, the only abstract sculptural work in a wide oeuvre that otherwise had as its objective the exploration of reality. With *The Cube and the Face*, renowned French art historian and philosopher Georges Didi-Huberman has conducted a careful analysis of *Cube*, consulting the artist's sketches, etchings, texts, and other sculptural works in the years just before and after *Cube* was created. *Cube*, he finds, is indeed exceptional—a work without clear stylistic kinship to the works that came before or after it. At the same time, Didi-Huberman shows, *Cube* marks the transition between the artist's surrealist and realist phases and contains many elements of Giacometti's aesthetic consciousness, including his interest in dimensionality, the relation of the body to geometry, and the portrait—or what Didi-Huberman terms "abstract anthropomorphism." Drawing on Freud, Bataille, Leiris, and others Giacometti counted as influence, Didi-Huberman presents fans and collectors of Giacometti's art with a new approach to transitional work.

Women's Writing in Italy, 1400-1650 - Virginia Cox 2008-06-16

Winner, 2009 Best Book Award, Society for the Study of Early Modern Women Winner, 2008 PROSE Award for Best Book in Language, Literature, and Linguistics. Professional and Scholarly Publishing Division of the Association of American Publishers This is the first comprehensive study of the remarkably rich tradition of women's writing that flourished in Italy between the fifteenth and early seventeenth centuries. Virginia Cox documents this tradition and both explains its character and scope and offers a new hypothesis on the reasons for its emergence and decline. Cox combines fresh scholarship with a revisionist argument that overturns existing historical paradigms for the chronology of early modern Italian women's writing and questions the historiographical commonplace that the tradition was brought to an end by the Counter Reformation. Using a comparative analysis of women's activities as artists, musicians, composers, and actresses, Cox locates women's writing in its broader contexts and considers how gender reflects and reinvents conventional narratives of literary change.

Aus Den Herzensergiessungen Eines Kunstliebenden Klosterbruders - Wilhelm Heinrich WACKENRODER 1921

Chagatay Manual - Janos Eckmann 2017-07-28

First published in 1997. Routledge is an imprint of Taylor & Francis, an informa company.

Nation and Translation in the Middle East - Samah Selim 2017-09-29

This book focuses on the important aspect of translation in the Middle East region, with special emphasis on translation movements and the production of modernity in a historical context defined by European imperialism, enlightenment universalism, and globalization.

Poetics of Underground Space - Antonello Boschi 2021-11-05

This book investigates the relationship architecture has with the underground. It provides a broad ranging historical and theoretical survey of, and critical reflection on, ideas pertaining to the creation and occupation of underground space. It overturns the classic dictates of construction on the surface and through numerous examples explores recoveries of existing voids, excavations, caves, quarries, grottos and burrows. The exploitation of land, especially in areas of particular value, has given rise to the need to reformulate the usual approach to building. If the development of urban sprawl, its infrastructure and its networks, generates increasingly compromised landscapes, what are the possible strategies to transform, expand and change the usual relationship between abuse of soil and unused subsoil? Psychological, philosophical, literary and cinematographic legacies of underground architecture are mixed with the compositional, typological and constructive expedients, to produce a rich, diverse and compelling argument for these spaces. As such, the book will appeal to architecture students, scholars and academics as well as those with an interest in literary theory, cinema and cultural studies.

Le Breviari d'amor de Matfre Ermengaud, suivi de sa lettre à sa soeur. Intr. et glossaire par G.Azaïs - Matfre Ermengaud 1864

Impromptus - Gottfried Benn 2013-11-05

An extraordinary collection of poetry and prose from the master of German expressionism The first poem in Gottfried Benn's first book, *Morgue* (1912)—written in an hour, published in a week, and notorious ever after—with its scandalous closing image of an aster sewn into a

corpse by a playful medical student, set Benn on the path to celebrity and notoriety. And indeed, mortality, flowers, and powerful aesthetic collisions typify much of his subsequent work. Over the decades, as Benn suffered the vicissitudes of fate (the death of his mother from cancer; the death of his first wife, Edith; his brief attempt to ingratiate himself with the Nazis, followed by their persecution of him; the suicide of his second wife, Herta), the harsh voice of the poems relented and mellowed. His later poetry--from which *Impromptus* is chiefly drawn, many of the poems translated into English for the first time--is deeply affecting: it reflects the routines and sorrows and meditations of an intelligent, pessimistic, and experienced man. Written in the low, unupholstered monologue of the poet talking to himself, these works are slender ribbons of speech on the naked edge of song and silence. With this collection of poems and essays--edited and translated by the award-winning poet Michael Hofmann--Benn, at long last, promises to attain the presence and importance in the English-speaking world that he so richly deserves.

In Praise of Reading and Fiction - Mario Vargas Llosa 2011-04-12

On December 7, 2010, Mario Vargas Llosa was awarded the Nobel Prize in Literature. His Nobel Lecture is a resounding tribute to fiction's power to inspire readers to greater ambition, to dissent, and to political action. "We would be worse than we are without the good books we have read, more conformist, not as restless, more submissive, and the critical spirit, the engine of progress, would not even exist," Vargas Llosa writes. "Like writing, reading is a protest against the insufficiencies of life. When we look in fiction for what is missing in life, we are saying, with no need to say it or even to know it, that life as it is does not satisfy our thirst for the absolute--the foundation of the human condition--and should be better." Vargas Llosa's lecture is a powerful argument for the necessity of literature in our lives today. For, as he eloquently writes, "literature not only submerges us in the dream of beauty and happiness but alerts us to every kind of oppression."

Splithead - Julia Rabinowich 2011-02-03

'My father and I head towards a nervous breakdown as he attempts to erase three years of Communist indoctrination in the course of a single evening. I simply cannot comprehend that Lenin, the friend of all children, is now allegedly an arsehole.' When seven-year-old Mischka and her family flee the oppressive USSR for the freedom of Vienna, her world seems to divide neatly in two: there's life as she knew it before, and life as she must relearn it now. But even as she's busy dressing her new Barbie, perfecting her German and gorging on fresh fruit, Mischka is aware that there's part of her that can never escape her homeland, with its terrifying folktales, its insidious anti-Semitism and its old family secrets. As her parents' marriage splinters and her sister retreats into silence, Mischka has to find her own way of living when her head and her heart are in two places at once. There is darkness galore in this novel. But there is also much comedy to be had in its twisted enchanted tales. It is as seductive and unsettling as similar work by Angela Carter or Margaret Atwood, while it shares a geography with *Everything Is Illuminated* and *If I Told You Once*.

Cinematic Fictions - David Seed 2012-01-01

The phrase 'cinematic fiction' has now been generally accepted into critical discourse, but is usually applied to post-war novels. This book asks a simple question: given their fascination with the new medium of film, did American novelists attempt to apply cinematic methods in their own writings? From its very beginnings the cinema has played a special role in defining American culture. Covering the period from the 1910s up to the Second World War, *Cinematic Fictions* offers new insights into classics like *The Great Gatsby* and *The Grapes of Wrath* discussing major writers' critical writings on film and active participation in film-making. *Cinematic Fictions* is also careful not to portray 'cinema' as a single or stable entity. Some novelists drew on silent film; others looked to the Russian theorists for inspiration; and yet others turned to continental film-makers rather than to Hollywood. Film itself was constantly evolving during the first decades of the twentieth century and the writers discussed here engaged in a kind of dialogue with the new medium, selectively pursuing strategies of montage, limited point of view and scenic composition towards their different ends. Contrasting a diverse range of cinematic and literary movements, this will be compulsory reading for scholars of American literature and film.

Form and Event - Carlo Diano 2020-07-07

Carlo Diano's *Form and Event* has long been known in Europe as a major work not only for classical studies but even more for contemporary philosophy. Already available in Italian, French, Spanish, and Greek, it appears here in English for the first time, with a substantial Introduction

by Jacques Lezra that situates the book in the genealogy of modern political philosophy. *Form and Event* reads the two classical categories of its title phenomenologically across Aristotle, the Stoics, and especially Homer. By aligning Achilles with form and Odysseus with event, Diano links event to embodied and situated subjective experience that simultaneously finds its expression in a form that objectifies that experience. Form and event do not exist other than as abstractions for Diano but they do come together in an intermingling that Diano refers to as the "eventic form." On Diano's reading, eventic forms interweave subjectively situated and embodied experiences, observable in all domains of human and nonhuman life. A stunning interpretation of Greek antiquity that continues to resonate since its publication in 1952, *Form and Event* anticipates the work of such French and Italian post-war thinkers as Gilles Deleuze, Alain Badiou, Roberto Esposito, and Giorgio Agamben.

Martin Heidegger - Hugo Ott 1994

Forfatteren interesserer sig især for Martin Heideggers (1889-1976) forhold til nationalsocialismen

A Scientific Autobiography, reissue - Aldo Rossi 2010-01-29

A lyrical memoir by one of the major figures of postmodernist architecture; with drawings of architectural projects prepared especially for the book. This revealing memoir by Aldo Rossi (1937-1997), one of the most visible and controversial figures ever on the international architecture scene, intermingles discussions of Rossi's architectural projects—including the major literary and artistic influences on his work—with his personal history. Drawn from notebooks Rossi kept beginning in 1971, these ruminations and reflections range from his obsession with theater to his concept of architecture as ritual.

Ars Poetica. Analysis Paper - Kim Schnare 2008-07-14

Essay from the year 2008 in the subject English - Discussion and Essays, , course: English 12 - High School, 12 entries in the bibliography, language: English, abstract: Poetry is a beautiful testament to the permanence of human experience, the ideas immortalized by men and women that brim with meticulous language and impassioned purpose. Poetry, beyond the mechanical conventions, is an art form. Archibald MacLeish's appropriately titled work *Ars Poetica*, the 'Art of Poetry' is a treatise on the standards of poetic art, one which focuses not on its technicalities, but on its soul. *Ars Poetica* is divided into sections: one each for sensory comparison, lunar simile, and metaphysical truth. These include the many discrete yet profound images that acquaint us with what he believes a poem should be.

The Cinema of Me - Alisa Lebow 2012-05-29

When a filmmaker makes a film with herself as a subject, she is already divided as both the subject matter of the film and the subject making the film. The two senses of the word are immediately in play - the matter and the maker—thus the two ways of being subjectified as both subject and object. Subjectivity finds its filmic expression, not surprisingly, in very personal ways, yet it is nonetheless shaped by and in relation to collective expressions of identity that can transform the cinema of 'me' into the cinema of 'we'. Leading scholars and practitioners of first-person film are brought together in this groundbreaking collection to consider the theoretical, ideological, and aesthetic challenges wrought by this form of filmmaking in its diverse cultural, geographical, and political contexts.

Divorce Islamic Style - Amara Lakhous 2012-03-27

Secret identities, criminal conspiracies, and forbidden love converge in this "whimsical and at times heartbreaking look" at the Muslim communities of Rome (*The New York Times*). The Italian secret service believes that a group of Muslim immigrants is planning a terrorist attack. Christian Mazzari, a young Sicilian translator who speaks perfect Arabic, goes undercover in Rome's Egyptian neighborhood, Viale Marconi, to infiltrate the group. Posing as a recently arrived Tunisian in search of a job and a place to sleep, Christian soon meets Sofia, a young Egyptian immigrant whose arranged marriage is anything but fulfilling. While Christian attempts in vain to uncover terrorist activity, Sofia is on another kind of secret mission—in defiance of a husband who forbids her to work. In alternating voices, Algerian-born Italian author Amara Lakhous examines the commonplaces and stereotypes of life in modern, multicultural Italy. *Divorce Islamic Style* mixes the rational and the absurd as it depicts the conflicts and contradictions of today's globalized world.

Spinoza-Machiavelli Encounter - Vittorio Morfino 2018-11-14

Vittorio Morfino draws out the implications of the dynamic Spinoza-Machiavelli encounter by focusing on the concepts of causality, temporality and politics. This allows him to think through the

relationship between ontology and politics, leading to an understanding of history as a complex and plural interweaving of different rhythms.

Hotel Insomnia - Charles Simic 1992-11-11

"Poems . . . like folk tales told by a child with an impishly surrealist streak" from the Pulitzer Prize-winning author of *The World Doesn't End* (Library Journal). In this volume, "Simic writes so simply that his words fall like drops of water, but they ripple outward to evoke an ominous and numinous world" (The Washington Post Book World). He fills the wee hours of his poetry with angels and pigs, riddles and cemeteries. With empty offices and dolls that smile. With the sound of bare feet upstairs and a single kiss before the shadows converge. His is a rich, haunted world of East European memory and American present—a world of his own creation, one always full of luminous surprise. "The poems . . . come from a vision of the world that, once experienced, prevents us from ever dozing again, that prevents us, for that matter, from feeling confidently awake." —Los Angeles Times "One of the most original poets writing today, Simic has a gift for startling juxtapositions . . . Homely images, in Simic's hands, take on an eerie combination of the marvelous and the absurd . . . There are few poets writing today whose sense of wonder is so palpable." —Library Journal Praise for Charles Simic "Few contemporary poets have been as influential—or as inimitable—as Charles Simic." —The New York Times Book Review "He has infused American poetry with the freshest and most original style and imagery since e.e. cummings." —St. Louis Post-Dispatch "His poems are crowded with uncanny presence, which he challenges with flirtatious directness." —The New Yorker

Gendering Nationalism - Jon Mulholland 2018-05-24

This volume offers an empirically rich, theoretically informed study of the shifting intersections of nation/alism, gender and sexuality. Challenging a scholarly legacy that has overly focused on the masculinist character of nationalism, it pays particular attention to the people and issues less commonly considered in the context of nationalist projects, namely women and sexual minorities. Bringing together both established and emerging researchers from across the globe, this multidisciplinary and comparison-rich volume provides a multi-sited exploration of the shifting contours of belonging and Otherness generated by multifarious nationalisms. The diverse, and context specific positionings of men and women, masculinities and femininities, and hegemonic and non-normative sexualities, vis-à-vis nation/alism, are illuminated through a vibrant array of contemporary theoretical lenses. These include historical and feminist institutionalism, post-colonial theory, critical race approaches, transnational and migration theory and semiotics.

Tarnac, a Preparatory Act - Jean-Marie Gleize 2014

Poetry. Literary Nonfiction. Politics. Edited by Joshua Clover. Translated from the French by Joshua Clover, Abigail Lang, and Bonny Roy. Published in 2011 by Editions du Seuil, *Tarnac, un acte préparatoire* interrogates in poetic form the fallout from and precedent for the notorious cause célèbre of the "Tarnac Nine"—associated with the Invisible Committee, pseudonymous authors of *The Coming Insurrection*. It is his Anglo-American debut full-length, though as editor of the journal *Nioques*, he is well-known to American readers for, among other things, importing to France the work of some more daring poets from the U.S. Gleize's formulations of *nudité* and *littéralité* give some sense of his poetics, antithetical to the verse of flourish and ornament, but also to the performance of allusive depth and immanent ambiguity. Directness, detail, and documentation are keywords. In translation, *TARNAC, A PREPARATORY ACT* not only lends insight into radical aesthetic politics that characterize ongoing transatlantic—indeed global—intellectual affinities, but it introduces to American readers an inestimably important figure of French letters. About the translators: Bonnie Roy is a young scholar and poet specializing in contemporary work; Abigail Lang teaches at the Université Paris-Diderot where she is a scholar of modernist poetry, and a noted translator of English-language poetry into French; Joshua Clover has published two volumes of poetry, *Madonna anno domini* and *The Totality for Kids*. His poems have also appeared three times in *Best American Poetry*, and he has written two books of

film and cultural criticism: *The Matrix* and 1989: *Bob Dylan Didn't Have This to Sing About*. He teaches at the University of California, Davis.

"Can we situate an act of political autonomy in/as the provisional autonomy (surfaces) of a poem? // *TARNAC, A PREPARATORY ACT* riffs on/around a 2008 case against Julien Coupat, alleged leader of the Tarnac Nine, a putative 'anarchist' cell, who was accused of 'criminal conspiracy to commit a terrorist act.' // Jean-Marie Gleize considers the implication of an arrest for something 'preparatory,' that is, something like speech. // Can a poem (a preliminary act) be insurrectionary?"—Charles Bernstein

Calvario Delle Gru - Roberto Bertoldo 2003

"Bertoldo writes letters to the magpie, the cicada, and the pallet, and they answer him. Both microcosm and macrocosm, the book startles. His suggestive, philosophical lines make us pause and think: "We win / through the atmosphere that praises the shadows." He hears "the tone / that whispers with the leaves / when they fall." His words make us wish we were poets ourselves; they urge us to listen with new ears, to see with new eyes: "Between Your unbuckled bones / eroded by the sea / you sully the voice / of a song."—Emanuel di Pasquale.

Prefaces to the Diaphora - Peter Carravetta 1991

The central concern of these eight studies and essays is the understanding and critique of culture at the shifty boundaries between the Modern and the Postmodern epochs. The author contends that what needs to be addressed is the very abyss, the "spacetime" between the Modern and the Postmodern worldviews, as well as the tension between aesthetics and ethics, critical discourse and the creative arts, in an effort to rethink multireferential processes of signification. The keystone of the book is Carravetta's notion of Diaphoristics, a theory of interpretation as dialogue. Diaphora, or difference, refers to the ancient quarrel between poetry and philosophy and signifies the movement between asymmetrical or heterogeneous forms of discourse that have, both historically and speculatively, borne the transfer of meaning from one semantic/hermeneutic field to another. The author focuses on the necessary risk and duplicity of criticism and develops nonagonistic models based on figuration and rhetorical dynamics. In two other chapters, the author steps back to reassess, in terms of the diaphora, the diverging notions of Postmodernity by the continental philosophers Lyotard and Vattimo. The collection ends with an essay on the long-overdue conversation between Vico and Heidegger.

The Future of the Classical - Salvatore Settis 2006-10-20

Every era has invented a different idea of the 'classical' to create its own identity. Thus the 'classical' does not concern only the past: it is also concerned with the present and a vision of the future. In this elegant new book, Salvatore Settis traces the ways in which we have related to our 'classical' past, starting with post-modern American skyscrapers and working his way back through our cultural history to the attitudes of the Greeks and Romans themselves. Settis argues that this obsession with cultural decay, ruins and a 'classical' past is specifically European and the product of a collective cultural trauma following the collapse of the Roman Empire. This situation differed from that of the Aztec and Inca empires whose collapse was more sudden and more complete, and from the Chinese Empire which always enjoyed a high degree of continuity. He demonstrates how the idea of the 'classical' has changed over the centuries through an unrelenting decay of 'classicism' and its equally unrelenting rebirth in an altered form. In the Modern Era this emulation of the 'ancients' by the 'moderns' was accompanied by new trends: the increasing belief that the former had now been surpassed by the latter, and an increasing preference for the Greek over the Roman. These conflicting interpretations were as much about the future as they were about the past. No civilization can invent itself if it does not have other societies in other times and other places to act as benchmarks. Settis argues that we will be better equipped to mould new generations for the future once we understand that the 'classical' is not a dead culture we inherited and for which we can take no credit, but something startling that has to be re-created every day and is a powerful spur to understanding the 'other'.