

1: Lasting impressions : the legacies of impressionism in contemporary culture - JH Libraries

Lasting Impressions shrewdly explores a fascinating, strikingly under-researched topic, namely that impressionism remains a powerful cultural presence in ways that have tended to elude definition. Examining a variety of areas such as advertising, painting, music, and postcolonial and contemporary fiction, Jesse Matz argues that impressionism's seminal configuration of the project of modern representation has continued to shape cultural discourses and practices long after modernism.

The Legacies of Modernism: Historicising Postwar and Contemporary Fiction. Historicising Postwar and Contemporary Fiction collects essays from thirteen literary critics that expand typical classifications of twentieth-century literature by analyzing contemporary texts in relation to modernism. This text participates in a movement within modernist studies of fostering dialogue, rather than locating divisions, between texts written at different historical moments. Historicising Postwar and Contemporary Fiction, whose contributors include several of the presenters on these panels, such as Jesse Matz and Susan Andrade. As James indicates in the introduction, this collection is in conversation with scholarship that assumes modernism has ended and its influence has waned. Innovation and Inheritance in the Contemporary Novel Coetzee, Ian McEwan, and Toni Morrison enter the discussion as he argues that contemporary writers are treating their literary inheritances much as many modernists did as they continue to experiment with form. Additionally, the latter text closes with an engaging epilogue by novelist Adam Thorpe, whose debut novel *Ulverton* became a Vintage Classic in 2014. For readers seeking the fullest picture of the arguments presented in *Legacies*, I would suggest pairing it with *Modernist Futures*. Walkowitz in an article for PMLA. Work in this theoretical field questions and proposes expansions to the spatial and temporal Has Death Come for Modernism? The essays in this collection are grouped into four sections according to their predominant focus on midcentury literature, ethics, aesthetics, and global or transnational literatures. As the looseness of this rubric suggests, it can be difficult to locate thematic linkages among them, which is one reason why pairing *Legacies* with *Modernist Futures* might be beneficial to readers. In its current form, though, the vagueness of these connections can also be advantageous – particularly as many of the authors included in this collection, such as Randall Stevenson and Andrzej Gasiorek, are developing innovative ways to think past the conventional boundaries that distinguish Edwardian, modernist, and postmodern literature. While *Legacies* might have benefitted from a more rigorous introduction or more selective criteria, it is refreshing to read a collection of such diverse perspectives and approaches. This organizational strategy has the potential to expose readers to new analytical trajectories and new literary texts, though the movement among these essays can, at times, feel disorienting. Andrade, and Rebecca L. Walkowitz, several of which I consider here. These texts disturbed the stability of Cartesian dualism by suggesting that the mind was much more enactive than previously assumed, and Waugh locates modernist fiction as the area in which these proposals were explored. According to her argument, modernist writers took two approaches to destabilizing the Cartesian distinction between mind and body. Writers like Woolf and Joyce produced texts like *Mrs. Dalloway*. Though Waugh recognizes that these characteristics emerge prominently in postmodernism, she argues that this tendency was always present in modernist writing. This insight is provocative, and the field of cognitive literary criticism would benefit if Waugh further developed her analysis of this text and hyper-reflexivity, more generally. Hopefully, she will pursue both strains in the future. Many authors today seem reluctant to take such defined positions, which makes his essay a compelling read. At this point, these novels seem reprehensible for their ineffective representations of Impressionism. To draw our attention to the ethical complexities of modernism, Gasiorek brings together a trio of artists who are visibly negotiating between modernism and social realism while remaining ambivalent about both movements. Unlike many modernists, Forster, Murdoch, and Smith exhibit a continued belief in the potential of realism while questioning the limitations of its prior incarnations. Gasiorek begins with the work of E. Forster, an author not easily affiliated with a particular literary movement. Instead, texts like *Where Angels Fear to Tread* and *Howards End* exacerbate without resolving the tension between different perspectives, a technique also employed to a greater aesthetic extent by modernists like Joyce. This increased

attention to form can make texts solipsistic, a characteristic that concerns Murdoch because it avoids the messiness of real life. Valuing aesthetic unity over indeterminacy has negative ethical implications, a perspective that the aesthetic of many modernist texts supports but perhaps does not carry as far as Forster, Murdoch, and Smith. However, Gasiorek seems to have found a strong connection among these three writers that would bear further exploration. As instructors, we are perpetually trying to make our area of study relevant, or bring it alive, for our students. Often, the texts with which they are most familiar are contemporary ones, the literature that is being talked about at the moment. *The Legacies of Modernism* provides a variety of tools to help modernist researchers foster such conversations in the classroom. In the process, the essays in this collection demonstrate how productive it can be to resist the limitations imposed by theories that we have inherited. Many possibilities still have yet to be uncovered, and analyzing contemporary literature in relation to this literary movement can help us to ask questions and to teach literature in ways that may not have been visible before. See Kenner, as well as Calinescu. *Five Faces of Modernity*: Gaonkar, Dilip Parameshwar, ed. *The Dismemberment of Orpheus: Toward a Postmodern Literature*. *After the Great Divide: Modernism, Mass Culture, Postmodernism. Innovation and Inheritance in the Contemporary Novel*. U of Minnesota P, *The Modern English Writers*. The Johns Hopkins UP, Mao, Douglas, and Rebecca L. Douglas Mao and Rebecca L. *Literary Impressionism and Modernist Aesthetics*. Coetzee and *Transnational Comparison*. However, users may print, download, or email articles for individual use.

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8: Selected Works - Jesse Matz

The contributors to *Bad Modernisms* tease out the contradictions in modernism's commitment to badness. *Bad Modernisms* thus builds on and extends the "new modernist studies," recent work marked by the application of diverse methods and attention to texts and artists not usually labeled as modernist.

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