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Abstract or Description

Numerous international exhibitions and biennials have borne witness to the range of contemporary art with the everyday and its antecedents in the work of Surrealists, Situationists, the Fluxus group, and conceptual and feminist artists of the 1960s and 1970s. This art shows a recognition of ordinary dignity or the accidental and the miraculous, an engagement with a new kind of anthropology, an immersion in the pleasures of popular culture, a meditation on what happens when nothing happens. The celebration of the everyday has oppositional and dissident overtones, offering a voice to the silenced and proposing possibilities for change. This collection of writings by artists, theorists, and critics assembles for the first time a comprehensive anthology on the everyday in the world of contemporary art.

Includes writing by: Paul Auster, Maurice Blanchot, Rebecca DeRoo, Geoff Dyer, Hal Foster, Susan Hillier, Lucy R. Highmore, Henri Lefebvre, Lucy R. Lippard, Michel Maffesoli, Helen Molesworth, Nikos Papastergiadis, Perec, John Roberts, David Ross, Nicholas Serota, Michael Sheringham, Alison and Peter Smithson, Abigail Solomon-Godeau, Jeff Wall, Jonathan Watkins. Artists surveyed include: Chantal Akerman, Francis Alÿs, Arkhipov, Ian Breakwell, Stanley Broun, Sophie Calle, Marcel Duchamp, Fischli & Weiss, Nan Goldin, Graham, Susan Hiller, Ilya and Emilia Kabakov, Mary Kelly, Lettrist International, Jonas Mekas, Annette Messing, Aleksandra Mir, Roman Ondák, Yoko Ono, Gabriel Orozco, Martha Rosler, Allen Ruppersberg, Daniel Sacks, Wolfgang Tillmans, Mierle Laderman Ukeles, Andy Warhol, Richard Wentworth, Stephen Willats.

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