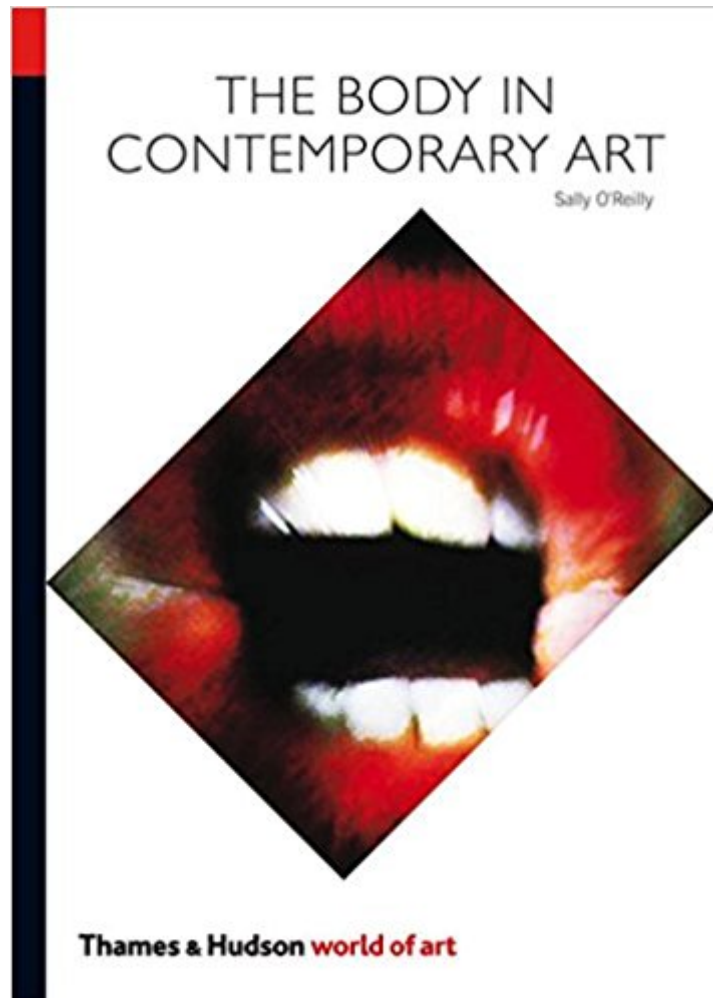




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# **The Body In Contemporary Art (World Of Art)**



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“Makes the human body an effective lens through which to view the myriad strands of postmodern art since it settled into pluralism in the 1900s. A valuable readable reference.” - The Magazine (Santa Fe’s Monthly)

Sally O’Reilly contributes regularly to art magazines, including Art Monthly, Frieze, Art Review, and Time Out, and has written numerous catalogue essays for museums and galleries.

I highly recommend this book for all artists who are interested in the body as part of their art

practice, whether it is performance art or painting, or anything in between.

This is a thought provoking book about the meditation on body in contemporary art. The author provides multiple avenues that artists are exploring in their research on body, cultural identity and gender politics. There are not much critical argument as much as description and analysis of the multiple works of art in the book. This book makes you think, not necessarily providing an answer on how we should think about body in contemporary world. I can understand this as our concept of body is constantly changing and extremely complex to define.

PERSON WHO RECEIVED THIS BOOK AS A SEEMED PLEASE WITH IT.AND WAS ALREADY READING IT, SO I ASSUME I GAVE SOMETHING APPROPRIATE.

The writing is interesting but the art is in my opinion disgusting. Its very "out there" But as an artist it was worth reading.

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