Irish Art 1920-2020: Perspectives on change

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About the book
This book examines Irish art over the last hundred and twenty years or so, from 1900 to now, considering key examples and developments and how visual expression can be read for what it reflects and reveals of art and society during this time.

Endorsements
"Irish Art 1920 – 2020 is not only a landmark publication of the work so far, it is also nourishment for the work to come."
Declan McGonagle

"Insular and global, local and diasporic, mythic grandeur and a touch of blarney, the international reception of Irish culture has been dominated for the last century by the literary legacies of James Joyce and William Butler Yeats. This wonderful book sets out to balance the record with a capacious survey of the art and visual culture of Ireland, ranging across painting, sculpture, arts and crafts, vanguards, rearguards, and New Media."
W.J.T. Mitchell

"A landmark in the histories of Irish art. Generously illustrated with iconic works from a wide range of media, this book will be read avidly by academics and the broader public alike who are exploring the role of art production and criticism during a transformative century of Irish societal and political change."
Dr Karen Brown

"Realized in the context of centenary celebrations, this volume achieves something remarkable. It shows that artists, who were among those called to imagine the new nation, conjured everything but orthodoxy: multiple visions reflecting both localized experiences and emigration; art and design practices engaging in intermedial (ex)change; ever shifting conceptualizations, critical and institutional frames; inclusions and exclusions; and various border-crossings. And if art wasn’t a static, celebratory tool, this book also evidences that art history isn’t monolithic. Irish art history emerges here in transhistorical, thematic essays as a broad, vibrant field in which so much can coexist: not just a century of change, but 400 pages of it, too."
Christa-Maria Lerm Hayes

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