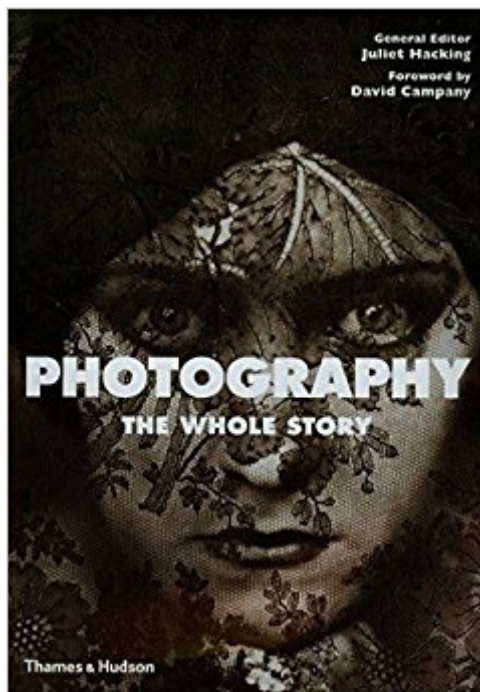


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Photography: The Whole Story



Synopsis

"Photography: The Whole Story" is a celebration of the most beautiful, meaningful and inspiring photographs that have arisen from this very modern medium. The book begins with a succinct overview of photography, placing it in the context of the social and cultural developments that have taken place globally since its arrival. Organized chronologically, the book then traces the rapid evolution of photographic style, period by period and movement by movement. Illustrated, in-depth essays cover every photographic genre, from the early portraits and tableaux to the digitally manipulated montages, splitsecond sports images, and conceptual photographs of today. The ideas and works of key photographers are assessed to reveal what motivated them, who influenced whom, and what each was striving to achieve. Detailed cultural and individual artist timelines clarify historical context. If you love photography and would like to know more, "Photography: The Whole Story" is for you.

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Unlike many other artistic media, photography's origins are well documented, as are its

ever-changing technologies and applications. Written by an international team of experts, this definitive history of photography looks at every step of the field's dynamic evolution, period by period and movement by movement. --This text refers to the Hardcover edition.

This was a textbook for a history of photography course I took. While I was working through it, I found the writing a little disjointed; a photographer would be mentioned in text without any introduction, and then a few pages later an in-depth analysis of an image by that photographer would fill in the information not in the previous section. I found it a bit frustrating, though after working through the whole book (I work through textbooks deliberately, taking notes, looking up photographers on the internet and looking at their portfolios, cross-referencing - it takes a lot of time), I feel I have a solid foundation in the overview of photographic history from which to begin exploring theory, criticism, and historiography. Because of the way information is presented, it's not a book you can skim to gather information without reading it through, you have to actually read it; just reading the in-depth analysis will leave you unprepared. It's a thorough treatment, and despite the sometimes choppy feel, a LOT of information is in this text. It will be one I refer back to.

Excellent overview. Unfortunately, the text is printed in a tiny font on glossy paper, making it hard to read with my aging eyes. Bifocals notwithstanding! As a textbook for undergraduates it is quite useful.

Great anthology book covering all important aspects of photography.

I am not a history buff. This book however discuss how each period of photography influenced the subsequent period. And then there is a usually a two page concise information about the most influential photographer of a period and one or two images of the photographer is dissected and the internal vision revealed with informational blurbs. . For somebody seriously interested in learning how photography as art has evolved and how these masters brought forth their vision. It is a must read for those who wants to improve and create art in photographic medium. After reading this book, it whet my appetite to read more about these photographers work.

Great book arrived in perfect timing

This will become an alltime favorite. Wonderful reproduction of classic images and commentary on

the photographs. This should be in the library of any student of photography.

Amazing book. I loved it.

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