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Georgia O'Keeffe Reaktion Books - Critical Lives

By Nancy J. Scott

Reaktion Books. Paperback. Condition: New. 272 pages. Georgia O'Keeffe (1887-1986), the most famous woman artist of American modernism in the 20th century and a pioneer in shaping abstract art, created a world without precedent. O'Keeffe expressed the grandeur of her world, the high desert mesas and cliffs as much as the smallest flower, with fierce independence. A world has been created around her as well: from the photographic nude studies of her by Alfred Stieglitz to the photographs of O'Keeffe in the desert of New Mexico taken in later years, the artist's own image reflects intensity as well as independence. In this book Nancy Scott examines O'Keeffe's work, its evolution, and the conflicts of the artist's inner self and public personality, using a broad range of sources. As a young artist, she dared to make charcoal landscapes of pure abstraction, and this venture brought her to the attention of Alfred Stieglitz, gallery impresario and the leader of photography as a fine art. Stieglitz, obsessed with his discovery of a woman on paper, photographed her in a startling sequence of nudes and compositions detailing neck, arms, and torso. Her reputation as a sexually inspired, Freudian-minded artist preceded the reception of her...

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