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# Royal Benin Art Selections From The National Museum Of African Art

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*Speaking of Objects* Constantine Petridis, 2020-11-10 A lavishly illustrated selection of highlights from the Art Institute of Chicago's extraordinary collection of the arts of Africa Featuring a selection of more than 75 works of traditional African art in the Art Institute of Chicago's collection this stunning volume includes objects in a wide variety of media from regions across the continent Essays and catalogue entries by leading art historians and anthropologists attend closely to the meanings and materials of the works themselves in addition to fleshing out original contexts These experts also underscore the ways in which provenance and collection history are important to understanding how we view such objects today Celebrating the Art Institute's collection of traditional African art as one of the oldest and most diverse in the United States this is a fresh and engaging look at current research into the arts of Africa as well as the potential of future scholarship

Decolonial Aesthetics I Michaela Ott, Babacar Mbaye Diop, 2023-01-30 The publication aims to make suggestions for a decolonisation of aesthetics within an Afro European framework The texts whose authors come from different cultural contexts between Germany France Senegal Benin Nigeria and Tunisia do not only refer to heterogeneous aesthetic practices understood as subversive and decolonial strategies but also discuss philosophical questions of a renewed non-individual humanism The artistic practices analyzed include artistic installations and ensembles as well as actions in urban and rural space deceptive manuvres at the borders and their photographic documentation and many more     *Museum, Media, Message* Eilean Hooper-Greenhill, 2013-03-07 Collecting together a group of talented writers *Museum Media Message* considers in depth the most up to date approaches to museum communication including museums as media museums and audience and the evaluation of museums Addressing the need for museums to develop better knowledge of visitor experience this volume introduces a broad range of issues and presents the ultimate how why and who of museum communication *Museum Media Message* combines philosophical discussion practical examples and case studies and examines museum communication in three sections analyzing how museums and galleries construct and transmit complex systems of value through processes of collection and exhibition raising philosophical and management issues and exploration of work with specific audiences introducing methods for studying the audiences experiences of communication events in museums Perfect for people who want to develop a more critical and informed professional museum practice and for students looking to enhance their skills of analysis and reflection this book is of value to anyone interested in the current debates and issues of

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international team of illustration historians practitioners and educators History of Illustration covers image making and print history from around the world spanning from the prehistoric to the contemporary With hundreds of color image this book to contextualize the many types of illustrations within social cultural and technical parameters presenting information in a flowing chronology This essential guide is the first comprehensive history of illustration as its own discipline Readers will gain an ability to critically analyze images from technical cultural and ideological standpoints in order to arrive at an appreciation of art form of both past and present illustration     Gods Spirits Ancestors Karl-Ferdinand Schädler, Museum Villa Stuck, 1992     **African Art in Detail** Christopher Spring, 2009 This book opens with the question What is African art The answer is a brilliantly colorful and detailed look at the myriad materials and genres forms and meanings cultural contexts and expressions that comprise artistic traditions across this vast and varied continent Viewing artworks in their contexts ancient and modern urban and rural western and eastern decorative and functional the book is nothing less than a virtual tour of African culture Masks textiles royal art sculpture ceramics tools and weapons in each instance the book features examples that reveal the most significant aspects of workmanship materials and design in objects of wood stone ivory clay metalwork featherwork leather basketwork and cloth Photographs of each piece alongside close ups of fine details afford new views of these works and allow for intriguing comparisons between seemingly unrelated objects and media The featured details evoke the hand and eye of the most accomplished craftspeople across Africa past and present In sum these photographs along with Chris Spring s enlightening commentary offer an experience of African art that is at once broad and deep richly informed and intimately felt They are at the same time a kaleidoscopic view of art from prehistory to gestures prefiguring the future     *Washington DC*. Michelin Travel Publications (Firm), 1999 This addition to the acclaimed Michelin Green Guide series provides travellers with a comprehensive guide to the cultural and natural highlights of Washington DC

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