

Books

16 Sizzling Books About Art to Read This Summer, From a Novel About the New York Art Scene to a Compendium of Startling Art Crimes

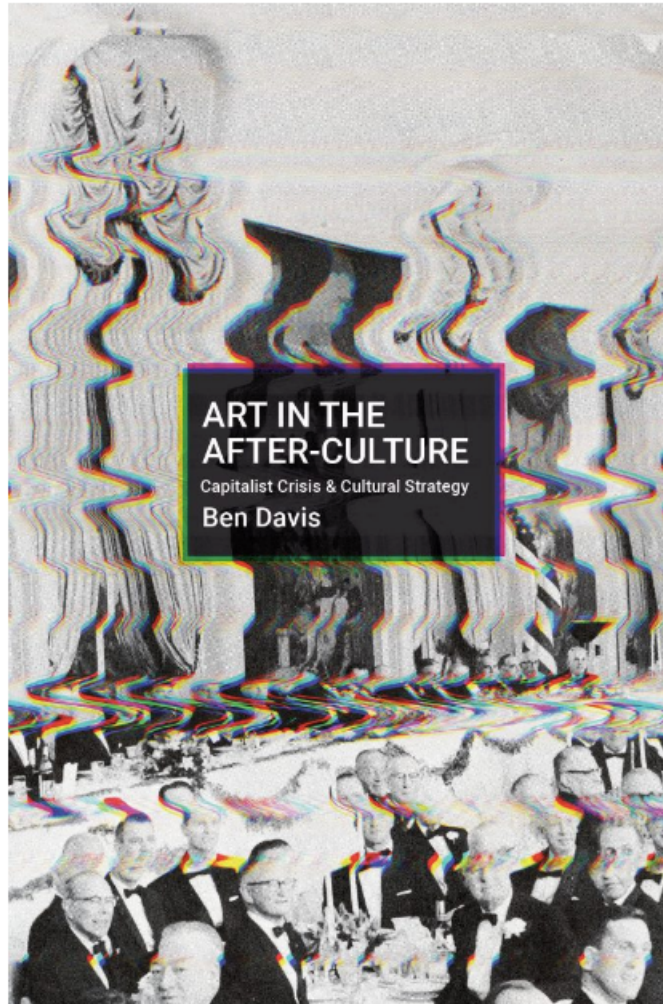
Here's what we're reading on the beach.

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Art in the After Culture: Capitalist Crisis and Cultural Strategy

By Ben Davis



How have the acute global crises of our times—climate change, the pandemic, unfettered capitalism—transformed aesthetic culture? This collection of essays by Artnet News critic Ben Davis takes seriously what many in the traditional art world would prefer to ignore—the populist surge of immersive Van Gogh experiences, AI art, memes, and even sneaker culture—to show how a new era of “after-culture” art fuses creative and capitalist identities to disturbing effect, even when there are signs of hope.

—Rachel Corbett