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Sommario/riassunto	Circulation and imitation are key factors in shaping the material world. The authors in this volume explore how technical knowledge, immaterial desires, and political agendas impact the production and consumption of visual and material culture across times and places. Their essays map multidirectional transactions for cultural goods in which source countries can be positioned at the center. Rhapsodic - literally to stitch or weave songs - paired with objects - from thrown against - intertwines complexity and action. Rhapsodic objects thus beckons to the layered narratives of the objects themselves, their making, and their reception over time. The concept further underlines their potential to express creativity, generate emotion, and reveal histories - often tainted with violence.

Zirkulation und Nachahmung haben einen wesentlichen Einfluss auf die Gestaltung der materiellen Welt. Die Beiträge des Bandes untersuchen, wie technisches Wissen, immaterielle Wünsche und politische Agenden die Produktion und Rezeption der visuellen und materiellen Kultur im Wandel der Zeit und Orte prägten. Sie gehen den Wanderungen von Kulturgütern unter besonderer Berücksichtigung ihrer Entstehungskontexte nach. Mit dem Begriff des "rhapsodischen Objektes" werden dabei die vielschichtigen, nicht immer in einem Zusammenhang stehenden Erzählungen der Objekte angesprochen.
