Special Issue

Art Market

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We are looking to publish a special issue on the art market in from the early modern period to the present. The publication explores all aspects of the production, circulation distribution and consumption of works of art over the period. Submissions might explore but are not limited to the rise of capitalism in the early modern period and its impact on the arts, the role of museums in the valorization of works of art, the instrumentalism of galleries and museums, building on concepts of art's loss of what Pierre Bourdieu termed 'legitimacy', the idea that in the past work of art fulfilled an identifiable function, and the formative role of art dealers on the market in the modern and early modern period. Art's aestheticization and the role of the market is a key theme. Similarly, we are particularly interested in exploring colonialism and arts' appropriation by the west, and ways in which non-occidental forms of culture were accommodated into colonial and post-colonial cultural networks.

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