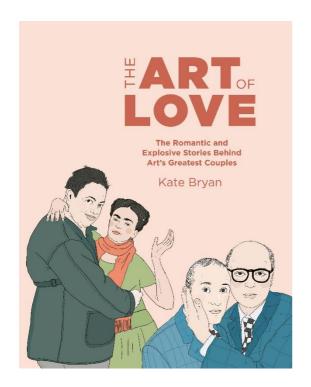
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THE ART OF LOVE

The Romantic and Explosive Stories
Behind Art's Greatest Couples

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The Art of Love profiles of some of the most fascinating couples of the art world, exploring the passionate, challenging and loving relationships behind some of the world's greatest works of art and revealing both the magical and dangerous effects that two artists in a romantic relationship can have on each other's work.

The Art of Love delves into the formation, peculiarities and sometimes breakdown of each romance, documenting their highs and lows and proving just how powerful love can be in the creative process. Whether long-lasting, peaceful collaborations, or short-lived, tumultuous, or indeed secret affairs, Kate Bryan opens the door on a range of great love stories: the rivalries, the intensity, the suffocating nature of devoting a marriage to art, and conversely the freedom of living a life entirely wrapped up in creativity. She also repositions artists overlooked by their more famous and successful spouse.







"In writing this presentation of 34 artist couples from 1880 to the present day, I have come across more romantically engaged artists than I could have imagined. There were many artist couples that were considered and whose stories remain unwritten here... In my selection, I endeavoured to give the broadest possible artistic spectrum of the past century or so, and as many different perspectives on artists in love as possible. The artists here represent 13 nationalities and reflect those who reached prominence and were 'accepted' in the twentieth century. Only 17 out of the 68 are alive today. It is my hope that through the spell of romance and love, new audiences will come to the art and artists beautifully represented in these pages by Asli Yazan. They are all by now my old friends and I hope this book enables you to cherish their tales and art as much as I do." Kate Bryan

The Art of Love features:

Alexander Rodchenko & Varvara Stepanova Barbara Hepworth & Ben Nicholson Bernd Becher & Hilla Becher Camille Claudel & Auguste Rodin Carl Andre & Ana Mendieta **Carroll Dunham & Laurie Simmons** Christo & Jeanne-Claude Elaine de Kooning & Willem de Kooning Emilia Kabakov & Ilya Kabakov Frances Loring & Florence Wyle Françoise Gilot & Pablo Picasso Frida Kahlo & Diego Rivera Georgia O'Keeffe & Alfred Stieglitz Gilbert & George Gwendolyn Knight & Jacob Lawrence Hans Arp & Sophie Taeuber-Arp Idris Khan & Annie Morris

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