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From California Impressionism to the Light and Space movement, California artists have been celebrated for their skillful rendering of the perceptual effects of light. Focusing on painters working in California throughout the 20th century, Radiant Impressions considers the ways these artists have engaged with light not only for its optical qualities but also for its power to infuse ephemeral moments with meaning and emotion. Whether the warm golden tones of the California sun or the intense glow of electric bulbs, light in these paintings communicates a sense of anticipation, celebration, rest, and reflection.

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Josef Albers, Interaction of Color: 50th Anniversary Edition

John Gage, Color and Meaning: Art, Science, and Symbolism

Kassia St. Clair, The Secret Lives of Color

Jean Stern, Palette of Light: California Paintings from The Irvine Museum

THE DOMESTIC REALM AND WORK

Whitney Chadwick, Women, Art, and Society


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Jared Farmer, Trees in Paradise: A California History

Phil Kovinick, John Frost, A Quiet Mastery

Laguna Beach Art Museum, California Light, 1900 – 1930

Barry Schwabsky, Landscape Painting Now: From Pop Abstraction to New Romanticism

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