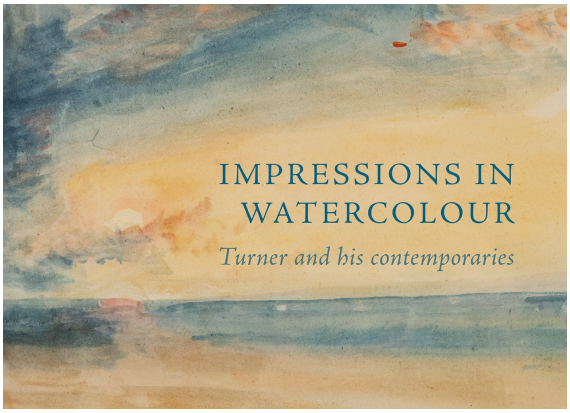
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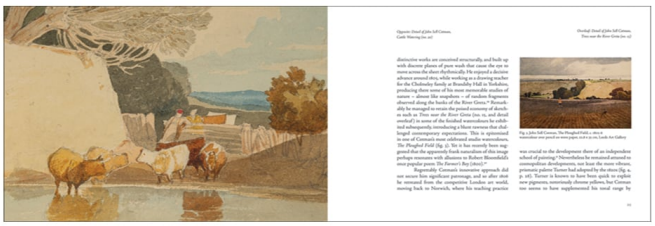
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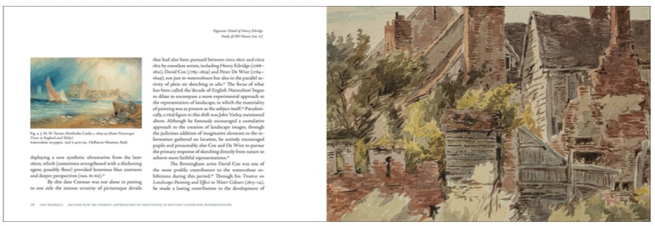
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Ian Warrell is an independent curator specialising in British art of the 19th century. He was a curator at Tate Britain for more than 25 years and is a leading authority on the life and work of Turner.





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