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- Combining art and theory in paperback format
- The start of a joint series
- With works by Nara Bak, Jana Buch, Donja Nasseri, Arisa Purkpong, Anys Reimann, and Theresa Weber

The Sammlung Philara and Verlag Kettler are pleased to present a resource-saving and affordable art book series in pocket format, aimed at mobile readers. In them, discursive exhibitions of the Philara Collection are documented and complemented with socio-critical voices from theoretical, journalistic or writing perspectives.

As an opener, the publication ***Attempts to Be Many*** poses the question of how dynamic concepts of identity can be formulated in opposition to rigid constructs of foreign attribution and ideological one-dimensionality. The exhibition of the same name with works by Nara Bak, Jana Buch, Donja Nasseri, Arisa Purkpong, Anys Reimann and Theresa Weber in the Philara Collection 2021/2022 also negotiated the plurality of identities and new narrative forms in relation to learned narratives. The renowned cultural scientist and writer Mithu Sanyal opens up a very personal approach with her text to the exhibition by breaking through identity-political regulatory discourses that flatten into the categories of origin, ethnicity, religion, or gender.

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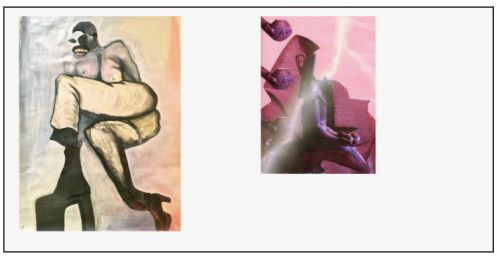

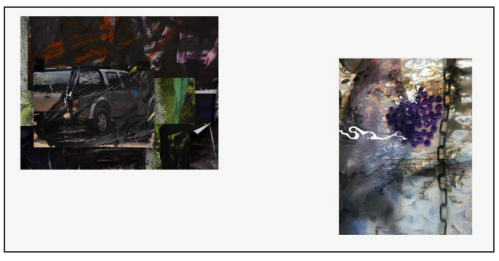

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