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Triptyque 2000 – 23.12.2001 by the late contemporary artist Zao Wou-Ki (1920–2013) is an important work that highlights the expressive possibilities arising from the intersection of different cultural traditions and pictorial languages, reflecting the artist's own background as a Chinese painter who settled in Paris at a relatively young age (where his work was praised by Picasso and Miró among others). Blending traditional Chinese aesthetics with Western Modernist techniques, the triptych is a lyrical representation of nature that transcends visual perception. This volume contains essays by Alexandra Munroe of the Guggenheim Museums and Foundation, who made a notable contribution to the exhibition catalogue for *No Limits: Zao Wou-Ki* at the Asia Society Museum in 2009, and Yann Hendgen of the Zao Wou-Ki Foundation.

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