



Philip Aguirre y Otegui

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- Spanning his career from the 1980s, this book celebrates the work of Philip Aguirre
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This book celebrates the work of Philip Aguirre y Otegui, an artist who believes in the universal power of art and sees the pursuit of beauty as being as essential as water and bread. Through his sculptures, Aguirre expresses hope that beauty can help reduce social inequality, making his work especially powerful in public spaces.

Spanning his career from the 1980s to the present, the monograph showcases his monumental works alongside smaller sculptures, revealing a dynamic dialogue between scale and form. It portrays the museum as an oasis, a place of aesthetic refuge where Aguirre's art offers calm and reflection amid restless times, inviting readers to experience the profound impact of beauty in shaping both space and society.

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