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Il testo è molto ampio e dettagliato e con cura narra l'evoluzione della scarpa nel corso della storia. Il sandalo, il tacco, le décolletè, le mary jane, gli stivali, le chopine e i plateau, le scarpe feticcio e loto, le ballerine e le sneakers sono alcuni degli argomenti trattati insieme a designer di calzature del calibro di: A.Perugia, R. Vivier, S. Ferragamo, M.Blahnik, B. Levine, C. Louboutin. Inoltre la storia della moda dal Novecento ad oggi aiuterà il lettore ad immergersi ancor più in questo appassionante viaggio. Un'ultima parte viene dedicata alle calzature "uniche", modelli stravaganti e fantasiosi creati spesso per essere ammirati e non calzati... Il lettore viene incuriosito e guidato lungo un percorso che è anche visivo, grazie alle numerose immagini e, l'attenzione viene mantenuta viva grazie ad aneddoti e curiosità che permettono di comprendere l'evoluzione della scarpa che si rivela essere non solo un semplice accessorio. Per la dovizia di analisi e di particolari, il testo, è adatto ad un pubblico di esperti ma fruibile anche da un pubblico più vasto ed eterogeneo.

Catalogo della mostra sulla nascita della danza come espressione artistica d'avanguardia. Opere di: B. I. Anisfeld, L. Bakst (L. S. Rosenberg), G. Balla, V. D. Baranov-Rossiné, A. N. Benois, I. I. Bilibin, B. K. Bilinsky, G. Boldini, P. Bonnard, J. Börlin, E.-A. Bourdelle, W. H. Bradley, G. Braque, C. Camoin, M. Chagall, J. Chéret, L. T. Chupiatov, J. Clarà, J. Cocteau, T. Crali, M. Cunningham, G. De Chirico, E. G. H. Degas, S. Delaunay (S. S. Stern Terk), F. Depero, A. Derain, S. P. Diaghilev, V. Dmitriev, M. A. Dobrov, F. Drtikol, I. Duncan, N. A. Enman, V. Ermolaeva, A. A. Exter, J. Fabre, F. F. Fedorovsky, L. Fontana, B. Frödman-Cluzel, L. Fuller, N. Gabo (N. Pevsner), J.-L. Gerome, A. J. Golovin, N. S. Goncharova, B. D. Grigoriev, J. Gris (J. V. C. C. Gonzàles-Pérez, V. Gross, K. Haring, N. K. Kalmakov, V. Kandinsky, M. Klinger, N. Kogan, J. Koons, G. Kozincev, I. Kudriashev, C. Lacroix, R. Larche, M. F. Larionov, V. E. Lebedev, F. Léger, S. Lifar, El Lissitzky, K. Malevich, Rolf de Maré, M. Vorobev (Marevna), C. Massier, L. Massine, H. Matisse, V. G. Meller, J. Mirò, I. Miyake, A. Modigliani, G. Moreau, V. Mukhina, V. F. Nijinsky, I. Noguchi, E. Nolde, G. Paolini, P. Picasso, E. Prampolini, P. Pruna O'Cerans, I. Rabinovich, L. Raciti, R. Rauschenberg, L. Rauth, T. Rivière, N. K. Rerikh, F.-A.-R. Rodin, D. Salle, K. Schmidt, O. Schlemmer, V. A. Serov, G. Severini, A. K. Shevashidze, V. I. Shukhaev, V. Shvarts, S. J. Sudeikin, D. Stelletsy, I. Stravinsky, C. Sullivan, V. E. Tatlin, P. Tchaikovsky, P. F. Tchelitchev, G. Toderi, H. de Toulouse-Lautrec, V. A. Vatagin, G. Versace, M. A. Vrubel, F. Zandomenoghi.

Inspired by the Robert De Niro film, this story spans three generations of a family of Jewish immigrants to the United States. A gang of friends discover - through trust, hard work and brutality - the true meaning of the American Dream.

Learn the language of la dolce vita! For anyone who wants to learn and enjoy the most expressive and romantic of languages, the third edition of 'The Complete Idiot's Guide to Learning Italian' is the first choice for a whole new generation of enthusiastic students of Italian. This updated edition includes two new quick references on verbs, grammar, and sentence structure; two new appendixes on Italian synonyms and popular idiomatic phrases; and updated business and money sections. First two editions have sold extraordinarily well. Italian is the fourth most popular language in the United States.

È una musica irresistibile e magnetica ad attirarla. Una magia scura e terrena che le toglie il fiato e la trascina verso il palco e verso l'uomo al centro della scena, con la sua bellezza ipnotica e quasi minacciosa. Questo è l'incontro che sconvolge completamente la vita di Giulietta Battin, giovane danzatrice classica in ascesa nella Berlino degli ultimi anni '90. Tra lei e Damián Alsina, promettente e controversa star del tango argentino, è amore a prima vista. Un amore appassionato e totalizzante, segnato però da un segreto terribile. Sarà Damián stesso a spezzare all'improvviso il filo che li unisce: dopo aver chiuso in modo rovinoso la sua tournée europea, torna in Argentina senza preavviso. Prima di scomparire, però, commette qualcosa di ancor più tremendo e inspiegabile... Giulietta capisce di non avere altra scelta che partire per inseguire Damián e si imbarca sul primo aereo per Buenos Aires. Inizia così il suo viaggio in una città profondamente ferita, dove gli spettri della dittatura militare si aggirano tra i vicoli e le milonghe. Dov'è finito Damián Alsina e, soprattutto, chi è davvero? Uno straordinario romanzo in cui l'amore parla la lingua del corpo, della danza, delle emozioni e dei segreti, in cui la Storia e le vicende dei protagonisti si intrecciano con la stessa armonia e la stessa palpabile tensione che legano due ballerini di tango.

This volume brings together the peer-reviewed contributions of the participants at the COST 2102 International Conference on "Cross-Modal Analysis of Speech, Gestures, Gaze and Facial Expressions" held in Prague, Czech Republic, October 15–18, 2008. The conference was sponsored by COST (European Cooperation in the Field of Scientific and Technical Research, www.cost.esf.org/domains_actions/ict) in the - main of Information and Communication Technologies (ICT) for disseminating the research advances developed within COST Action 2102: "Cross-Modal Analysis of Verbal and Nonverbal Communication" <http://cost2102.cs.stir.ac.uk>. COST 2102 research networking has contributed to modifying the conventional theoretical approach to the cross-modal analysis of verbal and nonverbal communication changing the concept of face to face communication with that of body to body communication as well as developing the idea of embodied information. Information is no longer the result of a difference in perception and is no longer measured in terms of quantity of stimuli, since the research developed in COST 2102 has proved that human information processing is a nonlinear process that cannot be seen as the sum of the numerous pieces of information available. Considering simply the pieces of information available, results in a model of the receiver as a mere decoder, and produces a huge simplification of the communication process.

"Italian Futurist Poetry" contains more than 100 poems (both Italian and English versions) by sixty-one poets from across Italy.

This text is an unbound, three hole punched version. Access to WileyPLUS sold separately. Parliamo italiano!, Binder Ready Version, Edition 5 continues to offer a communicative, culture based approach for beginning students of Italian. Not only does Parliamo Italiano provide students learning Italian with a strong ground in the four ACTFL skills: reading, writing, speaking, and listening, but it also emphasizes cultural fluency. The text follows a more visual approach by integrating maps, photos, regalia, and cultural notes that offer a vibrant image of Italy. The chapters are organized around functions and activities. Cultural information has been updated to make the material more relevant. In addition, discussions on functional communications give readers early success in the language and encourage them to use it in practical situations.

Our perception of the world is driven by input from the sensory nerves. This input arrives encoded as sequences of identical spikes. Much of neural computation involves processing these spike trains. What does it mean to say that a certain set of spikes is the right answer to a computational problem? In what sense does a spike train convey information about the sensory world? Spikes begins by providing precise formulations of these and related questions about the representation of sensory signals in neural spike trains. The answers to these questions are then pursued in experiments on sensory neurons. The authors invite the reader to play the role of a hypothetical observer inside the brain who makes decisions based on the incoming spike trains. Rather than asking how a neuron responds to a given stimulus, the authors ask how the brain could make inferences about an unknown stimulus from a given neural response. The flavor of some problems faced by the organism is captured by analyzing the way in which the observer can make a running reconstruction of the sensory stimulus as it evolves in time. These ideas are illustrated by examples from experiments on several biological systems. Intended for neurobiologists with an interest in mathematical analysis of neural data as well as the growing number of physicists and mathematicians interested in information processing by "real" nervous systems, Spikes provides a self-contained review of relevant concepts in information theory and statistical decision theory. A quantitative framework is used to pose precise questions about the structure of the neural code. These questions in turn influence both the design and analysis of experiments on sensory neurons.

The lush, sweeping story of a remarkable dancer who charts her own course through the tumultuous years of early twentieth-century Europe. Beautifully blending fiction with fact, The Chosen Maiden plunges readers into an artistic world upended by modernity, immersing them in the

experiences of the era's giants, from Anna Pavlova and Serge Diaghilev to Coco Chanel and Pablo Picasso. From their earliest days, the Nijinsky siblings appear destined for the stage. Bronia is a gifted young ballerina, but she is quickly eclipsed by her brother Vaslav. Deemed a prodigy, Vaslav Nijinsky will grow into the greatest, and most provocative, dancer of his time. To prove herself her brother's equal in the rigid world of ballet, Bronia will need to be more than extraordinary, defying society's expectations of what a female dancer can and should be. The real-life muse behind one of the most spectacular roles in dance, The Rite of Spring's Chosen Maiden, Bronia rises to the heights of modern ballet through grit, resilience and fervor. But when the First World War erupts and rebellion sparks in Russia, Bronia—caught between old and new, traditional and ground-breaking, safe and passionate—must begin her own search for what it means to be modern.

Rosemary is for remembrance; sage is for wisdom. The symbolism of plants—whether in the ancient Greek doctrine of signatures or the Victorian secret language of flowers—has fascinated us for centuries. Contemporary herbalist Maia Toll adds her distinctive spin to this tradition with profiles of the mysterious personalities of 36 herbs, fruits, and flowers. Combining a passion for plants with imagery reminiscent of tarot, enticing text offers reflections and rituals to tap into each plant's power for healing, self-reflection, and everyday guidance. Smaller versions of the illustrations are featured on 36 cards to help guide your thoughts and meditations.

"[Western Music and Its Others] will be taken as an important book signalling a new turn within the field. It takes the best features of traditional, rigorous scholarship and brings these to bear upon contemporary, more speculative questions. The level of theoretical sophistication is high. The studies within it are polemical and timely and of lasting scholarly value."--Will Straw, co-editor of *Theory Rules: Art as Theory/ Theory and Art* "The great value of this collection lies in the wealth of questions that it raises--questions that together crystallize the recent concerns of musicology with force and clarity. But it also lies in the authors' resistance to the easy 'postmodernist' answers that threaten to turn new musicology prematurely grey. The editors' comprehensive, intellectually adventurous introduction exemplifies the sort of eager yet properly skeptical receptivity to scholarly innovation that fosters lasting disciplinary reform. It alone is worth the price of the book."

--Richard Taruskin, author of *Stravinsky and the Russian Traditions: A Biography of the Works Through "Mavra"* "When cultural-studies methods first appeared in musicology 15 years ago, they triggered a storm of polemics that sometimes overshadowed the important issues being raised. As the canon wars recede, however, scholars are finding it possible to focus on the concerns that led them to cultural criticism in the first place: the study of music and its political meanings. *Western Music and Its Others* brings together leading musicologists, ethnomusicologists, and specialists in film and popular music to explore the ways European and North American musicians have drawn on or identified themselves in tension with the musical practices of Others. In a series of essays ranging from examination of the Orientalist tropes of early 20th-century Modernists to the tangled claims for ownership in today's World Music, the authors in this collection greatly advance both our knowledge of specific case studies and our intellectual awareness of the complexity and urgency of these problems. A timely intervention that should help push music studies to the next level." --Susan McClary, author of *Conventional Wisdom: The Content of Musical Form* (2000) "This collection provides a sophisticated model for using theory to interrogate music and music to interrogate theory. The essays both take up and challenge the dominance of notions of representation in cultural theory as they explore the relevance of the concepts of hybridity and otherness for contemporary art music. Sophisticated theory, erudite scholarship and a very real appreciation for the specificities of music make this a powerful and important addition to our understanding of both culture and music." --Lawrence Grossberg, author of *Dancing in Spite of Myself*

Exiled in Paris, tiny, one-hundred-year-old Mathilde Kschessinska sits down to write her memoirs before all that she believes to be true is forgotten. A lifetime ago, she was the vain, ambitious, impossibly charming prima ballerina assoluta of the tsar's Russian Imperial Ballet in St. Petersburg. Now, as she looks back on her tumultuous life, she can still recall every slight she ever suffered, every conquest she ever made. Kschessinska's riveting storytelling soon thrusts us into a world lost to time: that great intersection of the Russian court and the Russian theater. Before the revolution, Kschessinska dominated that world as the greatest dancer of her age. At seventeen, her crisp, scything technique made her a star. So did her romance with the tsarevich Nicholas Romanov, soon to be Nicholas II. It was customary for grand dukes and sons of tsars to draw their mistresses from the ranks of the ballet, but it was not customary for them to fall in love. The affair could not endure: when Nicholas ascended to the throne as tsar, he was forced to give up his mistress, and Kschessinska turned for consolation to his cousins, two grand dukes with whom she formed an infamous ménage à trois. But when Nicholas's marriage to Alexandra wavered after she produced girl after girl, he came once again to visit his Little K. As the tsar's empire—one that once made up a third of the world—began its fatal crumble, Kschessinska's devotion to the imperial family would be tested in ways she could never have foreseen. In Adrienne Sharp's magnificently imagined novel, the last days of the three-hundred-year-old Romanov empire are relived. Through Kschessinska's memories of her own triumphs and defeats, we witness the stories that changed history: the seething beginnings of revolution, the blindness of the doomed court, the end of a grand, decadent way of life that belonged to the nineteenth century. Based on fact, *The True Memoirs of Little K* is historical fiction as it's meant to be written: passionately eventful, crammed with authentic detail, and alive with emotions that resonate still. In this provocative thriller, forensic expert Kay Scarpetta is surrounded by familiar faces, yet traveling down the unfamiliar road of fame.... It is the week before Christmas. A tanking economy has prompted Dr. Kay Scarpetta—despite her busy schedule and her continuing work as the senior forensic analyst for CNN—to offer her services pro bono to New York City's Office of the Chief Medical Examiner. In no time at all, her increased visibility seems to precipitate a string of unexpected and unsettling events, culminating in an ominous package—possibly a bomb—showing up at the front desk of the apartment building where she and her husband, Benton, live. Soon the apparent threat on Scarpetta's life finds her embroiled in a surreal plot that includes a famous actor accused of an unthinkable sex crime and the disappearance of a beautiful millionaire with whom her niece, Lucy, seems to have shared a secret past. Scarpetta's CNN producer wants her to launch a TV show called *The Scarpetta Factor*. Given the bizarre events already in play, she fears that her growing fame will generate the illusion that she has a "special factor," a mythical ability to solve all her cases. She wonders if she will end up like other TV personalities: her own stereotype.

Il teatro è finito, viva il teatro! La fine del teatro non è né prossima né ventura: è in atto. È una morte infinita. Se per teatro si intende il deadly theatre stigmatizzato da Peter Brook, il teatro d'oro, porpora e velluto in cui far morire le signore e tutte le loro camellie. Ma il teatro è un'altra cosa. Non si deve confondere con l'edificio che ospita uno spettacolo, né con una prassi esecutiva fondata sulla ripetizione, la riproduzione, il sogno, il tic. Questo piccolo libro non è fatto per teatranti o per aspiranti tali; si tratta di un'indicazione alla pratica di una pedagogia fondata sul teatro come incontro di persone (Ingmar Bergman). Ciò che scaturisce da questo incontro, come lo si può preparare, e soprattutto apprendere in corpore vili, mettendosi in discussione, invece di celebrarsi come docenti, educatori, terapeuti e alla fine della licenza, teatranti, è la pretesa di questo volume: per essere attori di se stessi. Ciascuno giudichi se è pieno o se è vuoto, e come e perché.

'Basic Italian' provides readers with the basic tools to express themselves in a wide variety of situations. The book contains 23 individual grammar points in lively and realistic contexts.

Winner of the Premio Selezione Campiello prize and the Premio Alessandro Manzoni award for best historical novel, *The Watercolourist* is the irresistible Italian bestseller from Beatrice Masini. Nineteenth-century Italy. A young woman arrives at a beautiful villa in the countryside outside Milan. Bianca, a gifted young watercolourist, has been commissioned to illustrate the plants in the magnificent grounds. Bianca settles into her grand new home, invited into the heart of the family by the eccentric poet Don Titta, his five children, his elegant and delicate wife and powerful, controlling mother. As the seasons pass, the young watercolourist develops her art - inspired by the landscape around her - and attracts many admirers. And while most of the household's servants view her with envy, she soon develops a special affection for one

housemaid, who, she is intrigued to learn, has mysterious origins . . . But as Bianca's determination to unlock the secrets of the villa grows, she little notices the dangers that lie all around her. Who is the mysterious woman she has glimpsed in the gardens? What could Don Titta and his friends be whispering about so furtively? And while Bianca watches so carefully for clues, who is watching her? In *The Watercolourist*, set against the intoxicating background of an Italy on the cusp of change, a young woman's naive curiosity will take her far into the territory of hidden secrets, of untold truth and of love.

This two-volume set presents information and images of the varied clothing and textiles of cultures around the world, allowing readers to better appreciate the richness and diversity of human culture and history. • Contributions from over 50 experts in their field • Dozens of photographs • A bibliographic listing of further reading and references with each section

This book, based on authoritative sources and reports, links environmental communication to different fields of competence: environment, sustainability, journalism, mass media, architecture, design, art, green and circular economy, public administration, big event management and legal language. The manual offers a new, scientifically based perspective, and adopts a theoretical-practical approach, providing readers with qualified best practices, case studies and 22 exclusive interviews with professionals. A fluent style of writing leads the readers through specific details, enriching their knowledge without being boring. As such it is an excellent preparatory and interdisciplinary academic tool intended for university students, scholars, professionals, and anyone who would like to know more on the matter.

Questo libro raccoglie in una lunga catena le vite di sedici donne russe formando una staffetta ideale dove il testimone è la storia della Russia negli ultimi due secoli. Si passa dall'abolizione della servitù della gleba alle rivolte dei decabristi, dall'assassinio dello zar Alessandro II alla rivoluzione bolscevica, dall'assedio di Leningrado ai gulag e alla perestrojka. Scrittrici, poetesse, ballerine, rivoluzionarie, artiste, figure di potere, dissidenti: donne che si sono incontrate, hanno avuto una casa in comune o hanno lottato per gli stessi ideali. Ecco l'attrice preferita di Stalin e il ministro della Cultura di Chruščëv, Anna Achmatova e Nina Berberova, la musa di Majakovskij e la moglie di Andrej Sacharov. Attraverso il racconto delle loro storie straordinarie, che meritano tutte di essere conosciute, emerge anche il disegno di un mondo complesso di cui sappiamo troppo poco. L'epilogo è dedicato a Anna Politkovskaja, che l'autrice ha incontrato di persona nei suoi undici anni a Mosca da giornalista.

The first book to explore the synergy between dance and fashion, featuring a wide range of dance-fashion collaborations and inspirations

This book presents a semiotic study of the re-elaboration of Christian narratives and values in a corpus of Italian novels published after the Second Vatican Council (1960s). It tackles the complex set of ideas expressed by Italian writers about the biblical narration of human origins and traditional religious language and ritual, the perceived clash between the immanent and transcendent nature and role of the Church, and the problematic notion of sanctity emerging from contemporary narrative.

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In my eyes she had always been old, always been mine, always been Granny Dan. But in another time, another place, there had been dancing, people, laughter, love. . . . She had had another life before she came to us, long before she came to me. . . . She was the cherished grandmother who sang songs in Russian, loved to roller-skate, and spoke little of her past. But when Granny Dan died, all that remained was a box wrapped in brown paper, tied with string. Inside, an old pair of satin toe shoes, a gold locket, and a stack of letters tied with ribbon. It was her legacy, her secret past, waiting to be discovered by the granddaughter who loved her but never really knew her. It was a story waiting to be told. . . . The year was 1902. A new century was dawning as a motherless young girl arrived at a ballet school in St. Petersburg, Russia, at the age of seven. By age seventeen, Danina Petroskova had become a great ballerina, a favorite of the Czar and Czarina, who welcomed her into the heart of the Imperial family. But events both near and far away shook the ground upon which she danced. A war, an extraordinary man, and a devastating illness altered the course of her life. And when revolution shattered Russia, Danina Petroskova was forced to make a heartbreaking choice—as the world around her was about to change forever. *Granny Dan* is about the magic of history. In it, Danielle Steel reminds us how little we know of those who came before us—and how, if we could only glimpse into their early lives, and see who they once were, there is so much we would understand and learn. For in this extraordinary novel, a simple box, filled with mementos from a grandmother, offers the greatest legacy of all: an unexpected gift of a life transformed, a long-forgotten history of youth and beauty, love and dreams.

This book is the first dedicated volume of academic analysis on the monumental work of Elena Ferrante, Italy's most well-known contemporary writer. *The Works of Elena Ferrante: Reconfiguring the Margins* brings together the most exciting and innovative research on Ferrante's treatment of the intricacies of women's lives, relationships, struggles, and dilemmas to explore feminist theory in literature; questions of gender in twentieth-century Italy; and the psychological and material elements of marriage, motherhood, and divorce. Including an interview from Ann Goldstein, this volume goes beyond "Ferrante fever" to reveal the complexity and richness of a remarkable oeuvre.

Un romanzo tenero e divertente sul desiderio di crescere.

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