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Argues that imagery of all kinds has become a definitive force in the shaping of contemporary life and a vital part in most of the many economies operative within contemporary societies.

Exploring viral imagery of the COVID-19 pandemic, U.S. Presidents Trump and Biden, Black Lives Matter, as well as the rise of a “black aesthetic” in white artworlds, this book shows that iconopolitics—especially constellations of visual images—has become pervasive within contemporary life. It questions the implications for critical thought and political action.

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