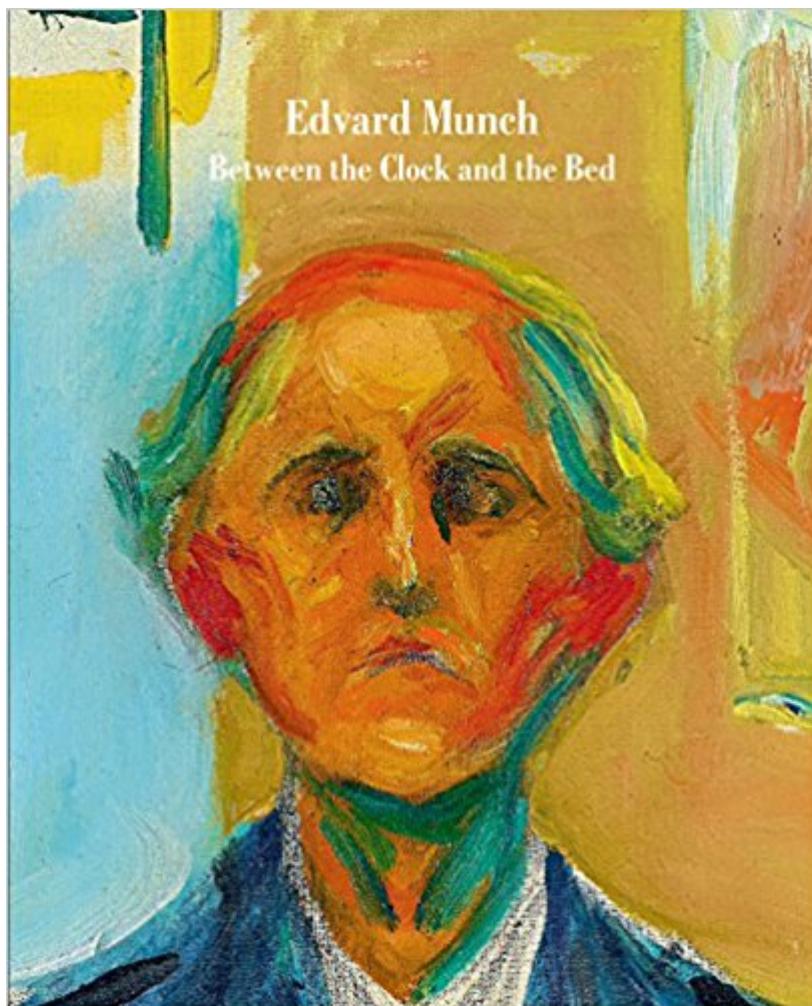


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Edvard Munch: Between The Clock And The Bed



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A penetrating reassessment of Munchâ™s memorable painting and profound artistic legacy. This engaging book offers a fresh look at the exceptional works of Edvard Munch (1863â“1944) by examining them in the light of his precarious mental state. Following a nervous breakdown in 1908, Munch underwent electroshock therapy, which prompted a marked change in his art work. The haunting Self-Portrait between the Clock and the Bed, finished one year before his death, represents a culmination of the themes of mortality, isolation, and anxiety that he explored repeatedly, and provides, in these pages, a perfect lens through which to view the artistâ™s entire oeuvre. Informative essays consider Munchâ™s position in the art world, his conception of self as a means of experimentation, and the psychological content of his paintings, while a previously unpublished foreword by the celebrated Norwegian novelist Karl Ove Knausgaard offers a new perspective on Munch's life and work. Featuring over 40 masterworks from throughout the painterâ™s career, and an illustrated chronology that traces the progression of his emotional state and its influence on the images he created, this is an intimate, provocative study of an enigmatic artist and his remarkable legacy.

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Furthering an understanding of Munchâ™s art and legacy, this book provides an intimate and revealing portrayal of the enigmatic artist through the lens of one of his late self-portraits.

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I saw Munch's work while vacationing in Oslo Norway. I saw this current exhibit at the SF MOMA. His work is definitely inspiring and unique. Recommended if you're a fan of Munch.

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