



Towards a Cultural Philology: Phedre and the Construction of Racine (Paperback)

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Taylor Francis Ltd, United Kingdom, 1999. Paperback. Condition: New. Language: English . Brand New Book. Amy Wygant reads Racine s Phedre (1677) through an analysis of its 17th-century cultural contexts and a consideration of its subsequent reception history. She explores the construction of Racinian language as musical, the poetics of the Racinian gaze, and Racine s labyrinthine eros of memory and forgetting. Reference is made to Lully s operas, the battle between the advocates of colour and the champions of drawing in the Royal Academy of Painting and Sculpture, and Le Notre s centreless garden labyrinth at Versailles. These close textual and contextual studies relate the detail of the tragedy to the conceptual sweep of 17th-century absolutism. Wygant s interdisciplinary study draws on the music history, as well as on emblematics, the history of the formal garden and the arts of memory. Racine s great threnody, the recit de Theramene, is shown as representative of expressions of loss which lie at the root of early modern literature.



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