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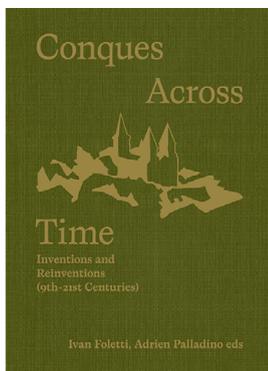
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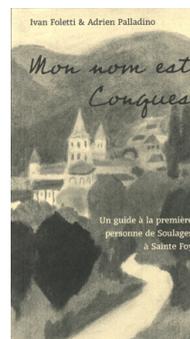
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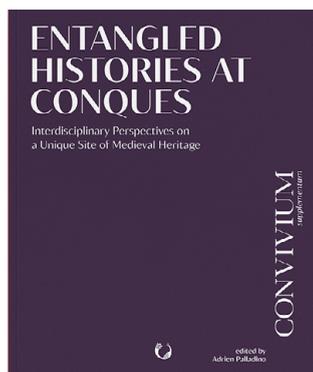
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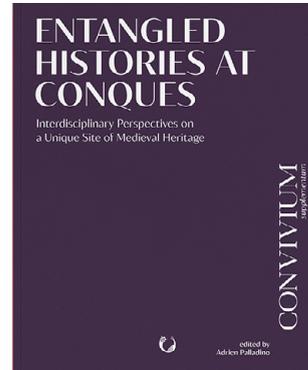
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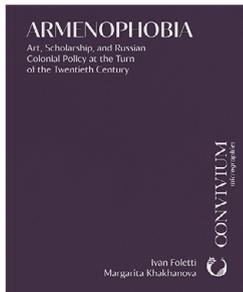


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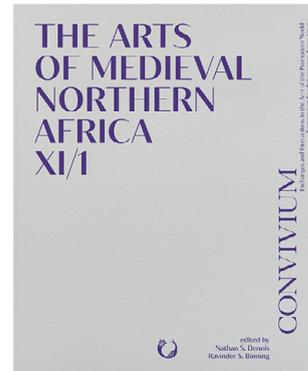


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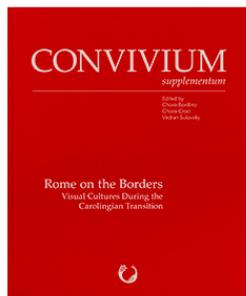
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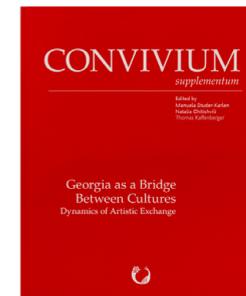
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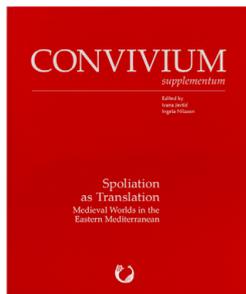
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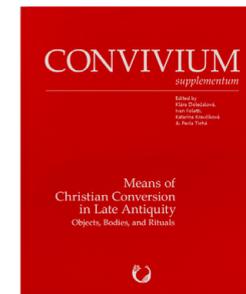
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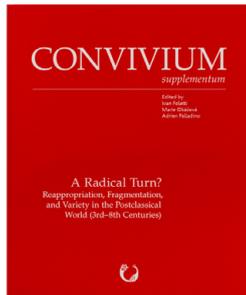
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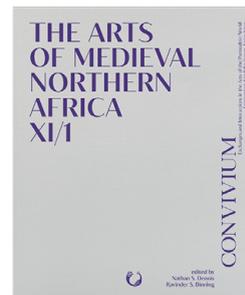
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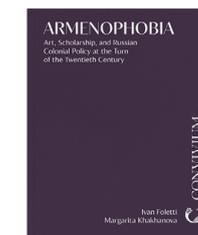
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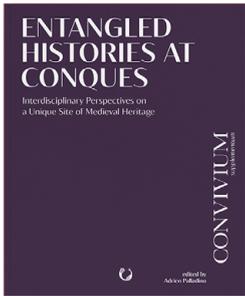
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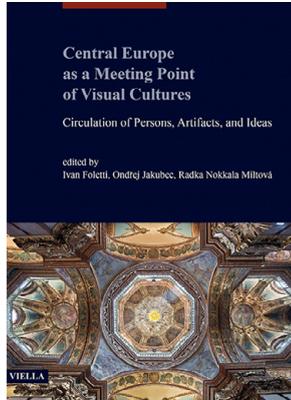


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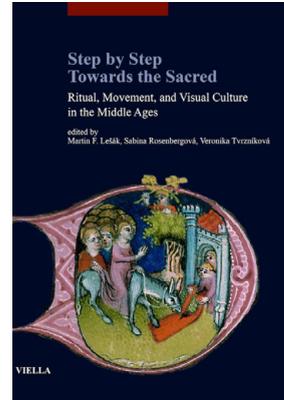
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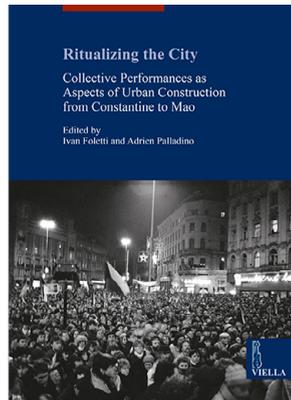
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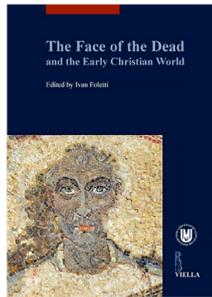
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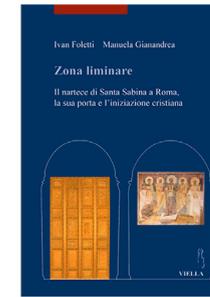
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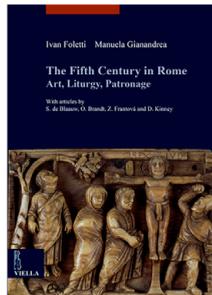
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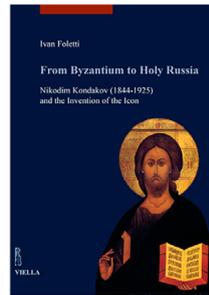
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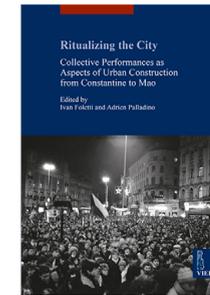
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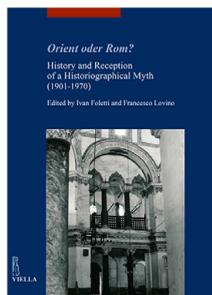
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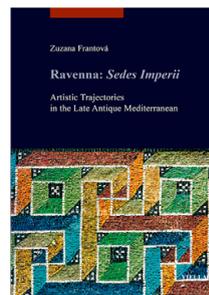
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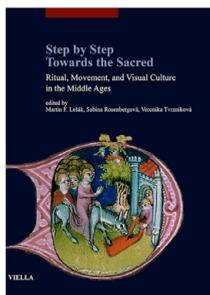
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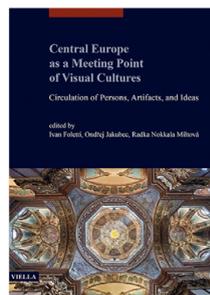
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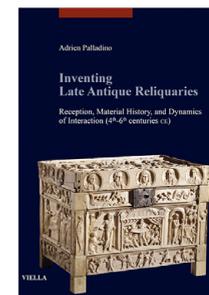
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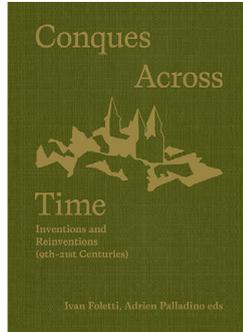


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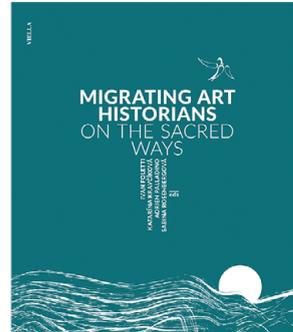
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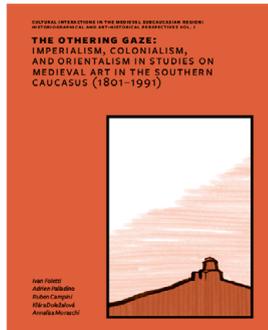
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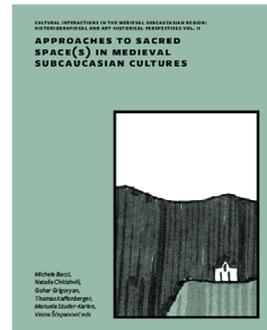
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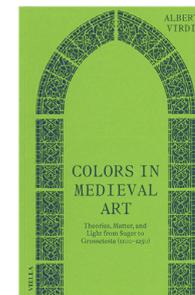
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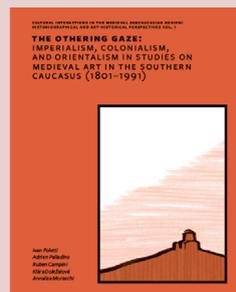
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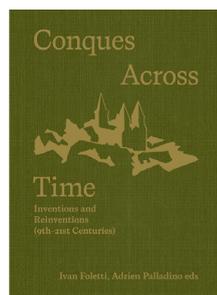
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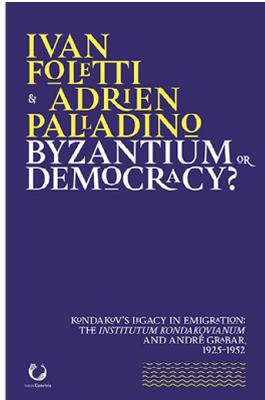


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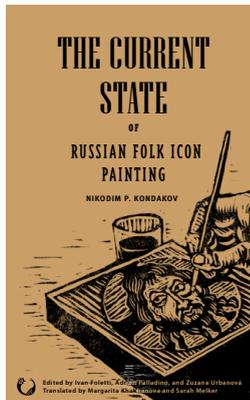
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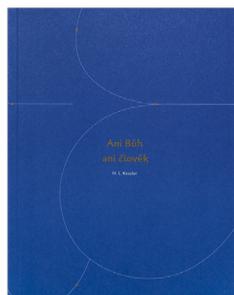
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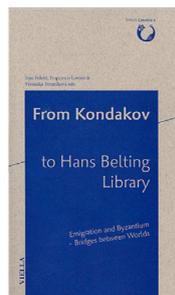


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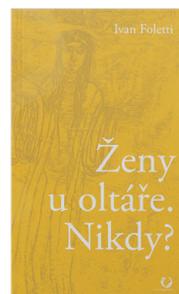
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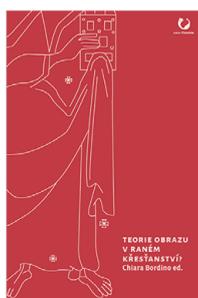
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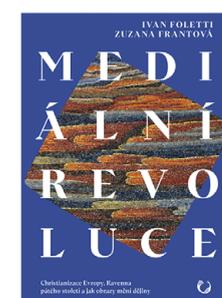
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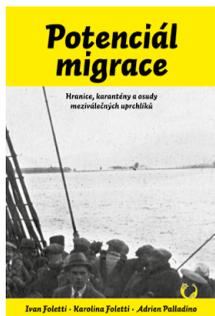
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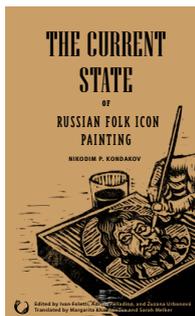


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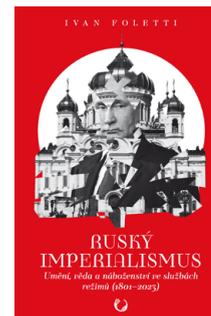
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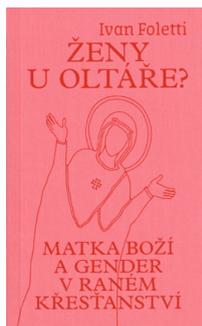
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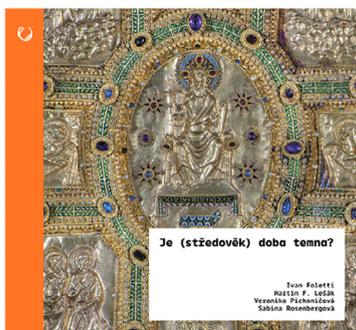
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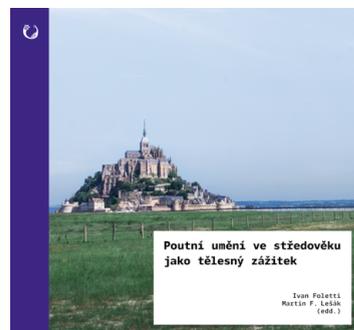
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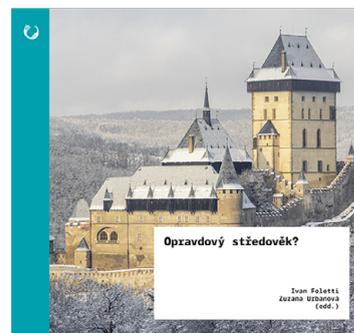
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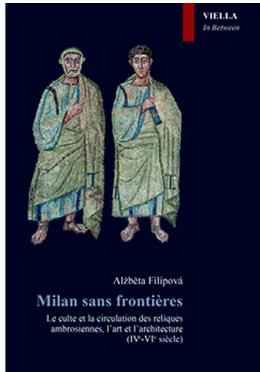
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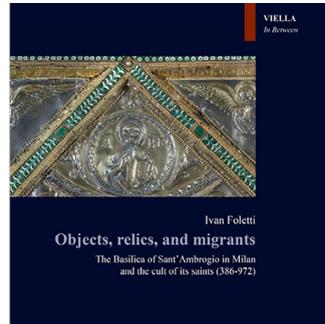
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This book is dedicated to the cultural transfer within the network woven by the Bishop Ambrose between the city of Milan and the Christian West. Generated by donations of relics, multiplied from the holy remains preserved in Milan, the cultural transfer consists mainly in the dissemination of architectural and figurative models and the creation of a recognizable sacred landscape around the Capital. This phenomenon opens up perspectives towards a more global reflection on the construction of identity through the cult of saints and its artistic manifestations between the 4th and 5th centuries. Also, by recognizing an important center of ecclesiastic influence next to the See of Rome, dominant in the scholarly literature, it contributes to the debate on the centre-periphery dichotomy. This book was published in the series In Between. Images, Words, and Objects that promotes studies in art history within the framework of a broad, transdisciplinary approach.



OBJECTS, RELICS, AND MIGRANTS

The Basilica of Sant'Ambrogio in Milan and the cult of its saints (386-972)

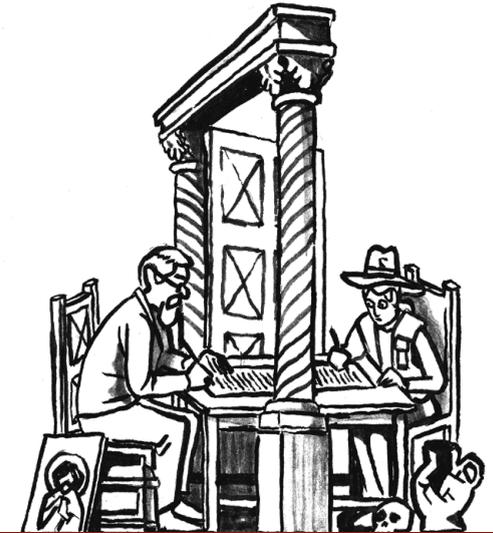
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The Ambrosian basilica in Milan, built first in the age of Ambrose (374–397) and radically reconstructed at the end of the eleventh century, is an extraordinary place of memoria, where many medieval objects and monuments are present.

By studying a few famous artworks preserved in the basilica, such as the Chapel San Vittore in Ciel d'Oro, the golden altar, and the ciborium of Saint Ambrose, this book explores interactions between the topology of the building and its objects, the relics the basilica was constructed around, and which share the epithet "migrating". In other words, we would like to analyse from the *longue durée* perspective how the objects became understood as relics and materialized sanctity, derived from them, and served as an instrument of exclusion and instruction in their ethnically problematic context.

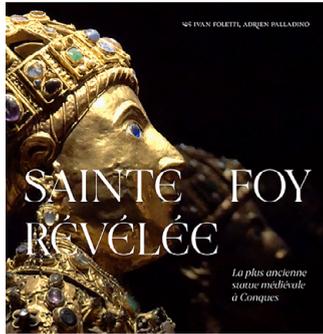
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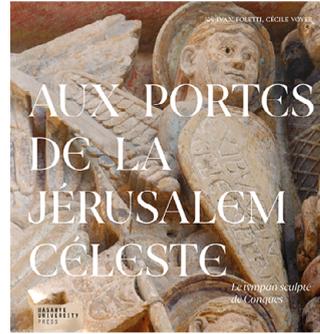
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SAINT FOY RÉVÉLÉE La plus ancienne statue médiévale à Conques

Ivan Foletti
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This booklet *Sainte Foy révélée. La plus ancienne statue médiévale à Conques* [Sainte Foy Revealed: The Oldest Medieval Statue in Conques] is the first in a series of three booklets in French dedicated to the presentation of various aspects of the cultural heritage of Conques, the abbey church and the treasures in particular, to a broad non-academic audience. It is richly illustrated with original photographs and illustrations produced in the first year of the project, focusing on the core of the sacred site of Conques and the goal of the pilgrim's devotion: the golden statue-reliquary of Sainte Foy. This artistic object, which has fascinated pilgrims for centuries, is often presented only as an object of faith or as an artistic bravado; the booklet re-examines it within a network of stories and devotional practices and explains the significance of the reuse of the golden face in providing the iconic potential and authority of a fourth-century emperor to a young female martyr. The goal is thus not only to disseminate the scientific results of the project, but also to make the story of this unique statue known to regular visitors of Conques, be they pilgrims or tourists. Both the format and the style of these booklets are conceived to reach specifically this audience, while at the same time keeping the highest standards for the photographs and illustrations, as well as texts.



AUX PORTES DE LA JÉRUSALEM CÉLESTE Le tympan sculpté de Conques

Ivan Foletti
& Cécile Voyer
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Aux portes de la Jérusalem Céleste. Le tympan sculpté de Conques [At the Doors of Heavenly Jerusalem: The Sculpted Tympanum of Conques] is the second booklet in French in the short series dedicated to a broad non-academic audience. With more illustrations than the first one, which resulted from a photographic campaign on the tympanum realized within the project, this booklet presents the most visible artwork accessible to the visitor's gaze when arriving in front of the abbey-church: the richly adorned and polychrome tympanum presenting the scene of the Last Judgement. Sculpted at the beginning of the 12th century, the portal is probably amongst the first of its type along the pilgrimage routes. The goal of the booklet is to present to a broad audience what perception the medieval pilgrims could have had of such an incredible artistic object, how they understood these sculptures and their theme, and what effect its liminal imagery could have had on them. It does so by explaining how a complex message of salvation is reinforced by sculpted images together with an elegant Latin poem which runs around and under them, borrowing from a variety of themes and concepts widespread in the broad and elite cultures of the 12th and 13th centuries.

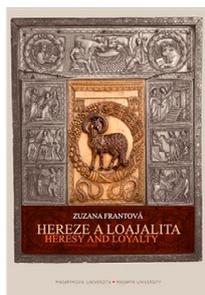


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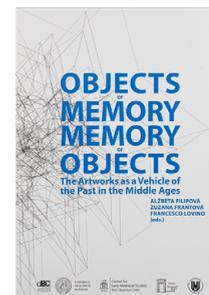
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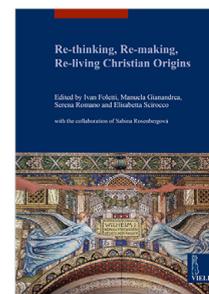
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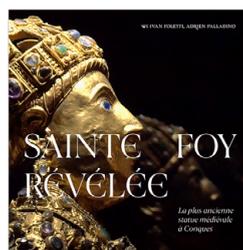
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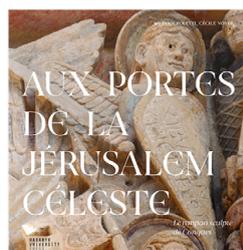
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