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Description:

It almost goes without saying that the rise in popularity of television has killed the audience for serious literature. This is such a given that reading Fitzpatrick's challenge to this notion can be very disconcerting, as she traces the ways in which a small cadre of writers of serious literature-- DeLillo, Pynchon, and Franzen, for instance--have propagated this myth in order to set themselves up as the last bastions of good writing.

Fitzpatrick first explores whether serious literature was ever as all-pervasive as critics of the television culture claim and then asks the obvious question: what, or who, exactly, are these guys defending good writing against? Fitzpatrick examines the ways in which the anxiety about the supposed death of the novel is built on a myth of the novel's past ubiquity and its present displacement by television. She explores the ways in which this myth plays out in and around contemporary fiction and how it serves as a kind of unacknowledged discourse about race, class, and gender. The declaration constructs a minority status for the white male author who needs protecting from televisions largely female and increasingly non-white audience. The novel, then, is transformed from a primary means of communication into an ancient, almost forgotten, and thus, treasured form reserved for the well-educated and well-to-do, and the men who practice it are exalted as the practitioners of an almost lost art. Such positioning serves to further marginalize women writers and writers of color because it makes the novel, by definition, the preserve of the poor endangered white man. If the novel is only a product of a small group of white men, how can the contributions of women and writers of color be recognized? Instead, this positioning abandons women and people of color to television as a creative outlet, and in return, cedes television to them. Fitzpatrick argues that there's a level of unrecognized patronization in assuming that television serves no purpose but to provide dumb entertainment to bored women and others too stupid to understand novels. And, instead, she demonstrates the real positive effects of a televisual culture.

Kathleen Fitzpatrick is a skilled and entertaining polemicist against those contemporary cultural champions (e.g. Birkerts, Postman, Bloom) who have attempted to defend literature, and high culture in general, against certain death at the hands of television and the Internet. Fitzpatrick asks, Cui bono? of these premature obituarists, with fascinating results. This is a richly researched, dense and thought-provoking book that is certain to please those interested in advanced literary and cultural criticism. The book is well worth buying for its remarks on Thomas Pynchon and Don DeLillo alone, as an approachable, illuminating companion to their novels.

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