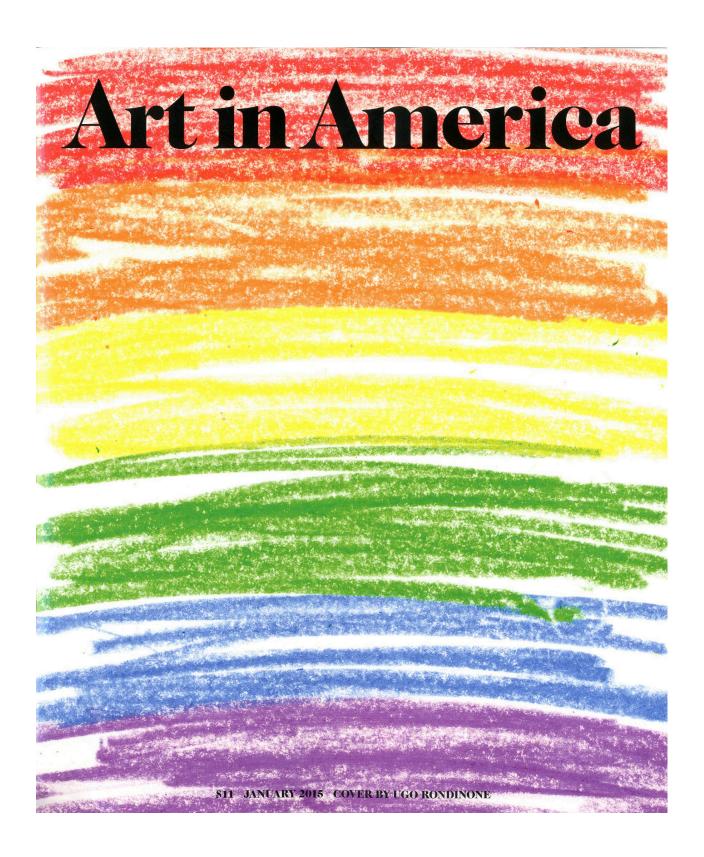
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UGO RONDINONE

This month's cover artist, Ugo Rondinone, has been the subject of major solo exhibitions at the Whitechapel Gallery, London; Kunsthalle Wien, Vienna; Centre Pompidou, Paris; and SculptureCenter, New York. In 2007, the Swiss-born, New York-based artist represented Switzerland in the Venice Biennale. Rondinone's most recent solo show, "Breathe, Walk, Die," is on view at the Rockbund Art Museum, Shanghai, through Jan. 4.

BARBARA KASTEN

Barbara Kasten, artist and professor emerita at Columbia College, Chicago, contributes this issue's Muse, which details her introduction to avant-garde architecture during a sojourn in Europe in the 1960s. Kasten received funding from the National Endowment of the Arts in 1977 and 1981 as well as a Guggenheim Fellowship in 1982. A solo exhibition, "Stages," opens Feb. 4 at the Institute of Contemporary Art, Philadelphia.

CHRISTA NOEL ROBBINS

Art historian Christa Noel Robbins received her PhD from the University of Chicago in 2010 and is an instructor in art history at the California Institute of Technology, Pasadena. She has served on the editorial board of the Chicago Art Journal and is currently an advisory editor for the Routledge Encyclopedia of Modernism (forthcoming in 2015). For this issue, Robbins reviews John Paul Ricco's book The Decision Between Us: Art and Ethics in the Time of Scenes, discussing art after the "participatory turn."

JOHN WATERS

The Baltimore writer, artist, filmmaker and icon of bad taste cinema John Waters provides this issue's Backstory. He is the author of several books, including *Role Models* (2011) and *Carsick: John Waters Hitchbikes Across America* (2014). Waters directed *Hairspray* (1988) and *Cry-Baby* (1990), among many other films. In 2014, the Film Society of Lincoln Center hosted a retrospective of his career, "Fifty Years of John Waters: How Much Can You Take?" A solo exhibition of his artwork, "Beverly Hills John," is at Marianne Boesky Gallery, New York (Jan. 10-Feb. 14).

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Adrienne Edwards is curator for the New York-based nonprofit organization Performa and a PhD candidate in performance studies at New York University. Additionally, she is performance reviews editor for *Women & Performance*, a journal of feminist theory. Edwards has co-organized performance projects with numerous artists, including Rashid Johnson, Senga Nengudi, Clifford Owens, Benjamin Patterson and William Pope. L. This month, she writes on American artist Adam Pendleton.

FAYE HIRSCH

A contributing editor at A.i.A., Faye Hirsch is the MFA program coordinator in the School of Art+Design at SUNY Purchase. In this issue, Hirsch considers Cosima von Bonin's eclectic career on the occasion of the artist's retrospective at the Museum Moderner Kunst Stiftung Ludwig, Vienna.