

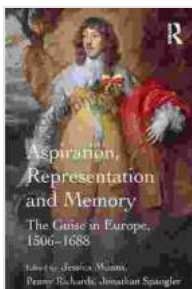
Aspiration, Representation, and Memory: The Guise in Europe, 1506-1688

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The Guise family was one of the most powerful and influential families in Europe during the sixteenth and seventeenth centuries. This book examines the family's aspirations, representations, and memory, arguing that the Guise were masters of self-promotion and image-making. The book draws on a wide range of sources, including letters, diaries, portraits, and architecture, to provide a rich and nuanced account of the Guise family and their place in European history.

The Guise: A Family of Aspiration

The Guise family originated in Lorraine, a small duchy in eastern France. The family's fortunes began to rise in the early sixteenth century, when Claude de Guise, the head of the family, married Antoinette de Bourbon, the sister of King Francis I of France. This marriage gave the Guise family access to the French court and to the highest levels of power in the kingdom.



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The Guise were ambitious men, and they quickly rose to prominence in French politics. They held high offices in the government, and they played a leading role in the religious wars that ravaged France in the sixteenth century. The Guise were also patrons of the arts and sciences, and they founded several important schools and universities.

The Guise: A Family of Representation

The Guise were masters of self-promotion and image-making. They used a variety of media to create a positive image of themselves and their family. They commissioned portraits that depicted them as powerful and virtuous leaders. They wrote and published books that recounted their heroic deeds. And they built magnificent palaces and churches that showcased their wealth and power.

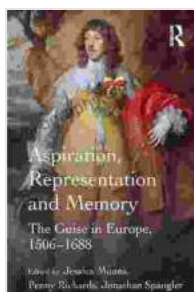
The Guise's efforts at self-promotion were largely successful. They were widely regarded as one of the most important families in Europe. Their image as powerful and virtuous leaders inspired admiration and respect. And their patronage of the arts and sciences helped to spread their fame throughout the continent.

The Guise: A Family of Memory

The Guise were also masters of memory. They carefully preserved their family's history and traditions. They commissioned genealogies that traced their lineage back to the ancient kings of France. They collected and preserved family portraits, letters, and other artifacts. And they built monuments and memorials to commemorate their ancestors.

The Guise's efforts at memory-keeping were largely successful. Their family's history and traditions were passed down from generation to generation. Their portraits, letters, and other artifacts are now housed in museums and libraries around the world. And their monuments and memorials continue to inspire awe and admiration.

The Guise family was one of the most powerful and influential families in Europe during the sixteenth and seventeenth centuries. Their aspirations, representations, and memory have left a lasting legacy on European history. This book provides a rich and nuanced account of the Guise family and their place in European history.



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