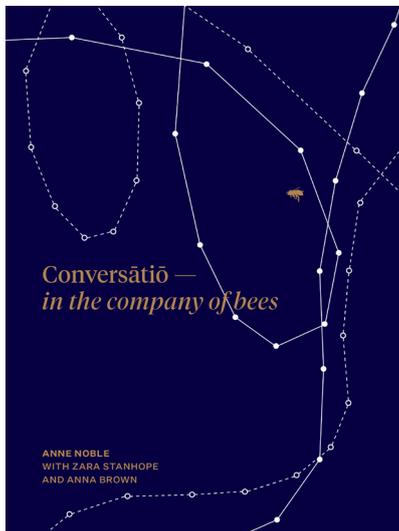




# Conversātiō

## *In the company of bees*

ANNE NOBLE WITH ZARA STANHOPE AND ANNA BROWN



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### RENOWNED PHOTOGRAPHER FOCUSES ON THE IMPORTANCE OF BEES

*Conversātiō* looks at the astounding practice of leading photographer Anne Noble, set against the issues of ecosystem collapse and climate change and examining what an artist can do in response. Its creative focus is on that most important insect, the European bee. Reminiscent of an artist book in its extensive visual content, its appeal is to a wide readership curious about art, ecology, science, literature and their intersections.

Through Noble's art and newly commissioned essays, the book traverses Noble's deep interest in how humans relate to bees. From images of communities of bees to tintype photographs showing the beauty of translucent bee wings, photograms from the wings of dead bees and a black and white series of electron microscope images, Noble's photographs present the hive life of bees in rich detail. Like the finest honey this book is a treasure.

*'An important part of Noble's bee photographs is her acute awareness of the vulnerability of the species to environmental degradation . . . Her exquisite Dead Bee portraits and delicate photographs of dead bees' wings are especially poignant in this regard and are among the many highlights of this remarkable and beautifully produced book.'* — Peter Simpson, Kete

### ABOUT THE CREATORS

**Anne Noble** is one of Aotearoa New Zealand's most widely respected contemporary photographers; she has been at the fore front of photographic practice in New Zealand since the early 1980s.

**Anna Brown** is a book designer, educator and researcher who works with visual artists, curators, art historians and musicians.

**Dr Zara Stanhope** is Director of the Govett-Brewster Gallery in New Plymouth.

### SALES POINTS

- The magnificent work of one of New Zealand's most renowned photographers
- Interest in bees and their critical role in ecosystems is on the rise
- Beautifully designed and packaged
- Bonus postcard and posterw

