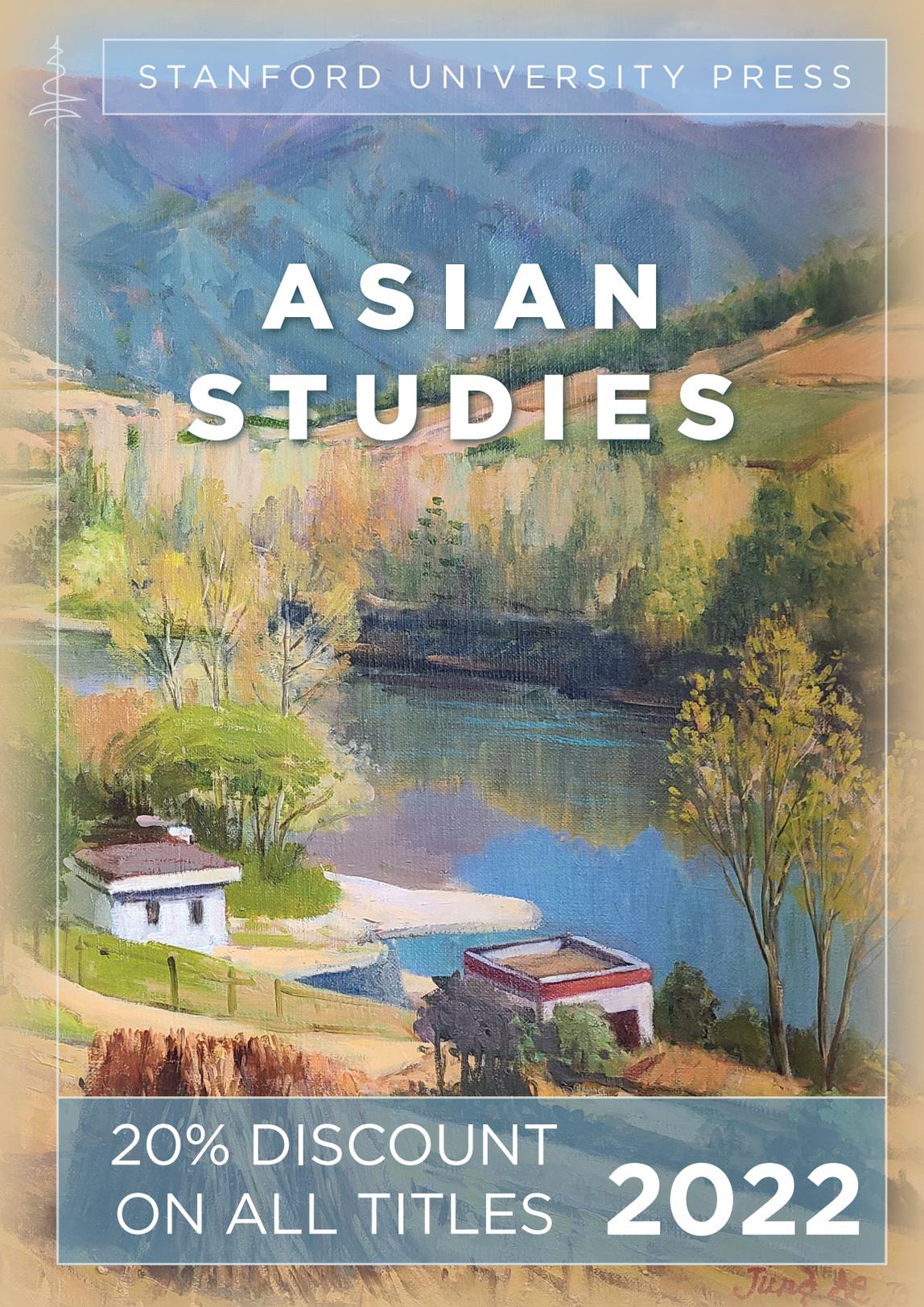




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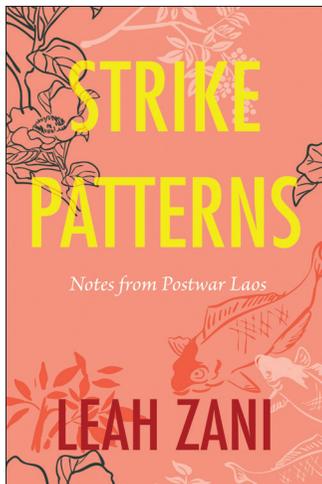
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Strike Patterns

Notes from Postwar Laos

Leah Zani

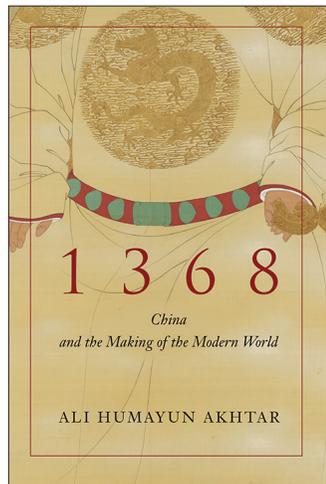
A VIVID MEDITATION ON THE AFTERMATH OF WAR AND THE INFINITE REGISTERS OF LOSS AND REPAIR

A strike pattern is a signature of violence carved into the land—bomb craters or fragments of explosives left behind, forgotten. In *Strike Patterns*, poet and anthropologist Leah Zani journeys to a Lao river community where people live alongside such relics of a secret war. From 1964 to 1973, the United States carried out a covert air war against Laos. Frequently overshadowed by the war with Vietnam, the Secret War was the longest and most intense air war in history. Today, much of Laos remains contaminated with dangerous left-over explosives.

With sensitive and arresting prose, Zani investigates these shadows of war, spending time with silk weavers and rice farmers, bomb clearance crews and black market war scrap traders, ritual healers and survivors of explosions. Combining rigorous observation with poetry, fiction, and memoir she reflects on the power of building new lives in the ruins.

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China and the Making of the Modern World

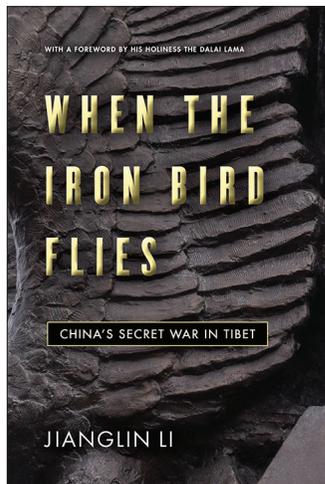
Ali Humayun Akhtar

The establishment of the Great Ming dynasty in 1368 was a monumental event in world history. A century before Columbus, Beijing sent a series of diplomatic missions across the South China Sea and Indian Ocean that paved the way for China's first modern global era. In 1368, Ali Humayun Akhtar maps China's ascendance from the embassies of Admiral Zheng He to the arrival of European mariners and the shock of the Opium Wars. In Akhtar's new picture of world history, China's current rise evokes an earlier epoch, one that sheds light on where Beijing is heading today. This book provides much-needed context for understanding China's rise and to see into its future of its connections with the West and a resurgent Asia.

"A wide-ranging and very thought-provoking book. 1368 presents a vision of how the world became knitted together by the seams."

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When the Iron Bird Flies

China's Secret War in Tibet

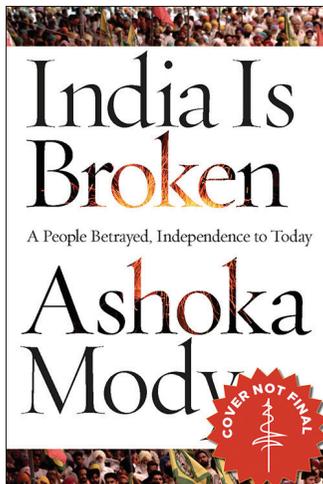
Jianglin Li, with a Foreword by His Holiness the Dalai Lama

AN UNTOLD STORY THAT RESHAPES OUR UNDERSTANDING OF CHINESE AND TIBETAN HISTORY

From 1956 to 1962, devastating military conflicts took place in China's southwestern and northwestern regions. Contemporaneous records scarcely mention the campaign, and in the years since only lukewarm acknowledgment of the violence has surfaced. Jianglin Li breaks this decades long silence to reveal for the first time a comprehensive and explosive picture of the six years that would prove definitive in modern Tibetan and Chinese history. Beyond the significant death toll, the war also destroyed most Tibetan monasteries in a concerted effort to eradicate local religion and scholarship, and led to the exile of the 14th Dalai Lama to India, as well as the Tibetan diaspora.

Offering a portrait of chaos, deception, heroism, and massive loss, Li argues persuasively that the events described in this book will shed more light on our current moment, and will help us understand the unrelenting struggle of the Tibetan people for their freedom.

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India Is Broken

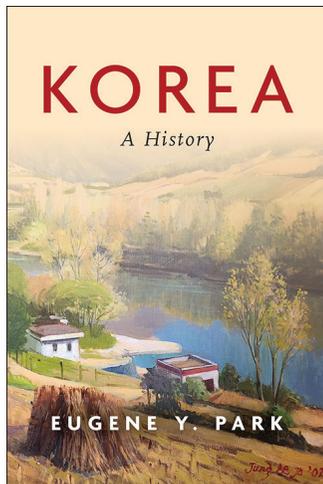
A People Betrayed, Independence to Today

Ashoka Mody

When Indian leaders first took control of their government in 1947, they proclaimed the ideals of national unity and secular democracy. Through the first half century of nation-building, leaders could point to uneven but measurable progress on key goals. But today, many Indians live in a state of underemployment, and are one crisis away from despair. Public goods—like health, education, and the judiciary—are in woeful condition. And good jobs will remain scarce as long as that is the case. The lack of jobs will further undermine democracy, which will further undermine job creation. *India is Broken* provides the most persuasive account available of this economic catch-22.

Combining statistical data with strong, people-driven narratives, this book is a meditation on the interplay between democracy and economic progress, with lessons extending far beyond India. Mody proposes a path forward that is fraught with its own peril, but which nevertheless offers something resembling hope.

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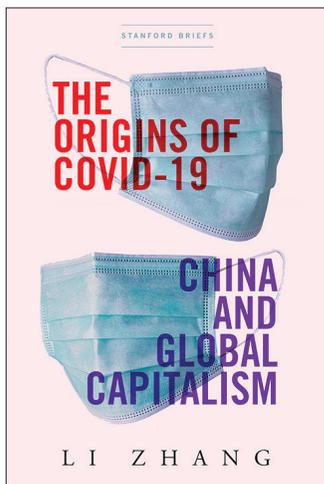
Korea

A History

Eugene Y. Park

While popular trends, cuisine, and long-standing political tension have made Korea familiar in some ways to a vast English-speaking world, its recorded history of some two millennia remains unfamiliar to most. *Korea: A History* addresses general readers, providing an up-to-date, accessible overview of Korean history from antiquity to the present. Eugene Y. Park draws on original-language sources and the up-to-date synthesis of East Asian and Western-language scholarship to provide an insightful account. This book expands still-limited English-language discussions on pre-modern Korea, offering rigorous and compelling analyses of Korea's modernization while discussing daily life, ethnic minorities, LGBTQ history, and North Korean history not always included in Korea surveys. Overall, Park is able to break new ground on questions and debates that have been central to the field of Korean studies since its inception.

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The Origins of COVID-19 *China and Global Capitalism*

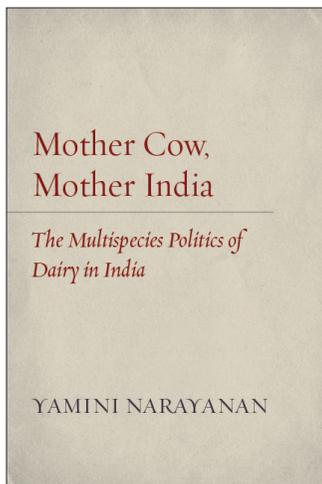
Li Zhang

A new strain of coronavirus emerged in November 2019, and patients began to be admitted to hospitals in Wuhan with severe pneumonia, most linked to the Huanan Seafood Wholesale Market. China's containment of the first stage of the epidemic, in glaring contrast with the uncontrolled spread in Europe and the United States, was heralded as a testament to the Chinese Communist Party's unparalleled command over the biomedical sciences, population, and economy. Conversely, much debate about the origins of the virus focuses on the "backwards" cultural practice of consuming wild animals and the perceived problem of authoritarianism suppressing information about the outbreak until it was too late.

The Origins of COVID-19, by Li Zhang, emphasizes that we must understand the origins of emerging diseases with pandemic potential (such as SARS and COVID-19) in the more complex and structural entanglements of state-making, science and technology, and global capitalism.

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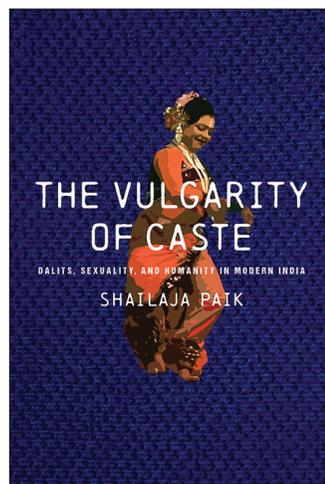


Mother Cow, Mother India *The Multispecies Politics of Dairy in India*

Yamini Narayanan

India imposes stringent criminal penalties for cow slaughter, based on a Hindu ethic of revering the cow as sacred. And yet India is also among the world's leading producers of beef, leather, and milk. Using ethnographic and empirical data gathered across India, Yamini Narayanan reveals the harms caused to cows in industrial dairying, and the exploitation required of the diverse, racialized labor throughout India's dairy production continuum to obscure such violence. Narayanan argues that the dominant Hindu framing of the cow as 'mother' is one of human domination, wherein bovine motherhood is simultaneously capitalized for dairy production, and weaponized by right-wing Hindu nationalists to violently oppress Muslim and "low" caste Hindus. Ultimately, Narayanan traces how that the unraveling of human-animal domination and exploitation is an integral component of progressive, democratic politics, speculating on the possibility of vegan agricultural policies for food security and multi-cultural, multispecies diversity.

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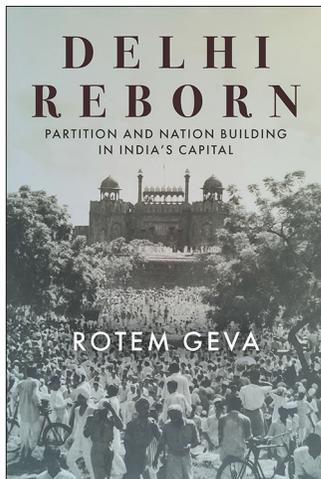
The Vulgarities of Caste *Dalits, Sexuality, and Humanity in Modern India*

Shailaja Paik

This book offers the first social and intellectual history of Dalit performance of Tamasha—a form of popular, secular, traveling theater. Shailaja Paik argues that Dalit performers, activists, and leaders negotiated the violence, brutality, exploitation, and stigma in Tamasha as they struggled to claim manuski (human dignity) and transform themselves from ashliil (vulgar) to assli (authentic) and manus (human beings). In doing so, Paik illuminates how Dalit Tamasha women bent patriarchal pressures both inside and outside the Dalit community and became foundational actors in conflicts over caste, class, culture, gender, and sexuality.

Placing Dalit Tamasha women at the heart of modernization in India, Paik illustrates how the choices that communities make about culture speak to much larger questions about inclusion, inequality, and structures of violence of caste within Indian society, and opens up new approaches for the transformative potential of Dalit politics and the global history of gender, sexuality, and the human.

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Delhi Reborn

Partition and Nation Building in India's Capital

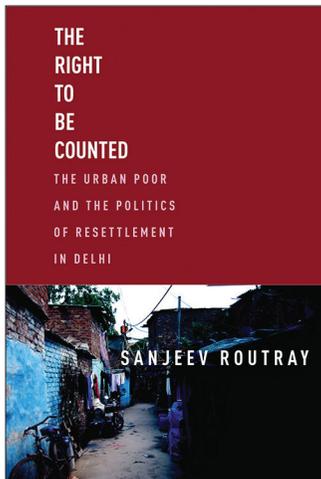
Rotem Geva

Delhi, one of the world's largest cities, has faced momentous challenges—mass migration, competing governing authorities, controversies over citizenship, and communal violence. To understand the contemporary plight of India's capital city, this book revisits one of the most dramatic episodes in its history, telling the story of how the city was remade by the twin events of partition and independence.

Treating decolonization as a process that unfolded from the late 1930s into the mid-1950s, Rotem Geva traces how India and Pakistan became increasingly territorialized in the imagination and practice of the city's residents, how violence and displacement were central to this process, and how tensions over belonging and citizenship lingered in the city and the nation. She argues for an understanding of state formation as a contest between various lines of power, charting the links between different levels of political struggle and mobilization during the churning early years of independence in Delhi.

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The Right to Be Counted

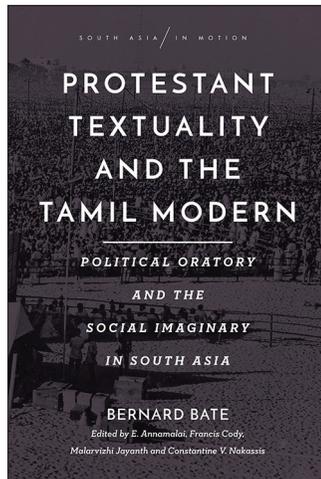
The Urban Poor and the Politics of Resettlement in Delhi

Sanjeev Routray

In the last 30 years, Delhi, the capital of India, has displaced over 1.5 million poor people. Resettlement and welfare services are available—but exclusively so, as the city deems much of the population ineligible for civic benefits. Drawing on fieldwork conducted in low-income neighborhoods, Sanjeev Routray describes examines how Delhi's urban poor stake their claims to housing and life in the city. He traces the process of claims-making as an attempt by the political community of the poor to assert its existence and numerical strength, and demonstrates how this struggle to be counted constitutes the systematic, protracted, and incremental political process by which the poor claim their substantive entitlements and become entrenched in the city. Analyzing various social, political, and economic relationships, as well as kinship networks and solidarity linkages across the political and social spectrum, this book traces the ways the poor work to gain a foothold in Delhi and establish agency for themselves.

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Protestant Textuality and the Tamil Modern

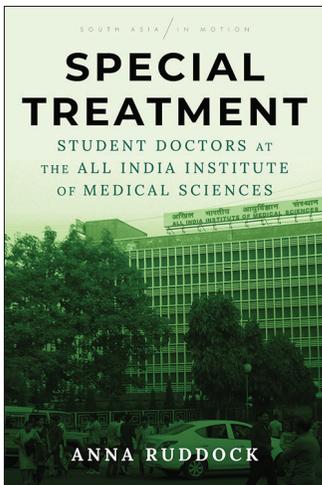
Political Oratory and the Social Imaginary in South Asia

Bernard Bate, Edited by
E. Annamalai, Francis Cody,
Malarvizhi Jayanth, and
Constantine V. Nakassis

Throughout history, speech and storytelling have united communities and mobilized movements. *Protestant Textuality and the Tamil Modern* examines this phenomenon in Tamil-speaking South India over the last three centuries, charting the development of political oratory and its influence on society. Supplementing his narrative with thorough archival work, Bernard Bate begins with Protestant missionaries' introduction of the sermonic genre and takes the reader through its local vernacularization. What originally began as a format of religious speech became an essential political infrastructure used to galvanize support for new social imaginaries, from Indian independence to Tamil nationalism. Completed by a team of Bate's colleagues, this ethnography marries linguistic anthropology to performance studies and political history, illuminating new geographies of belonging in the modern era.

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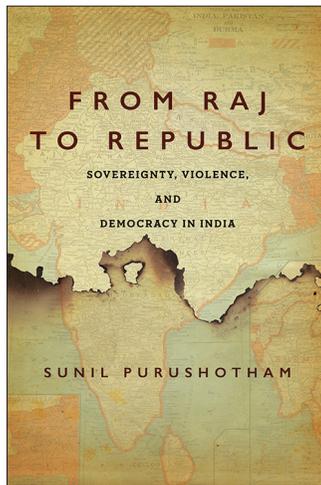
Student Doctors at the All India Institute of Medical

Anna Ruddock

The All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS) is iconic in the landscape of Indian healthcare. Established in the early years of independence, this enormous public teaching hospital rapidly gained fame for the high-quality treatment it offered at a nominal cost; at present, an average of ten thousand patients pass through the outpatient department each day. With its notorious medical program acceptance rate of less than 0.01%, AIIMS also sits at the apex of Indian medical education. To be trained as a doctor here is to be considered the best.

In the first-ever ethnography of AIIMS, Anna Ruddock untangles the threads of intellectual exceptionalism, social and power stratification, and health inequality that are woven into the health care taught and provided at AIIMS, asking what is lost when medicine is used not as a social equalizer but as a means to cultivate and maintain prestige.

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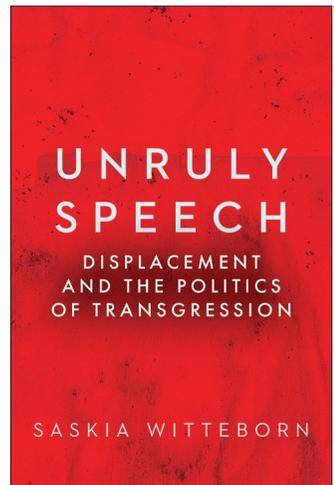
From Raj to Republic

Sovereignty, Violence, and Democracy in India

Sunil Purushotham

Between 1946 and 1952, the British Raj, the world's largest colony, was transformed into the Republic of India, the world's largest democracy. Independence, the Constituent Assembly Debates, the founding of the Republic, and India's first universal franchise general election occurred amidst the violence and displacement of the Partition, the uncertain and contested integration of the princely states, and the forceful quelling of internal dissent. This book investigates the ways in which these violent conjunctures constituted a postcolonial regime of sovereignty and shaped the historical development of democracy in India at the foundational moment of decolonization and national independence. *From Raj to Republic* presents the story of how a national, territorial, republican, and liberal polity in India emerged out of a violent and contested process that forged new power relations and opened up historical trajectories with lasting consequences for modern India.

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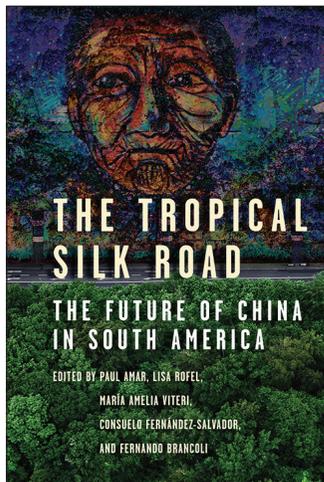
Unruly Speech

Displacement and the Politics of Transgression

Saskia Witteborn

Based on a long-term ethnography in China, the United States and Germany, *Unruly Speech* explores how Uyghurs in China and in the diaspora transgress sociopolitical limits with "unruly" communication practices in a quest for change. Saskia Witteborn situates her study against the backdrop of displacement as a communicative and spatial phenomenon and focuses on how naming practices and witness accounts can operate as tools of activism, resistance, and communication. Moreover, she analyzes social media, literatures on surveillance and digitized witness accounts to examine the way Uyghurs, their supporters and the Chinese state each use technology to their own ends: to set limits and to cross over those limits, respectively. The book provides a granular view of disruptive communication: its sociopolitical moorings and socio-technical control. Findings in this book inform studies of migration and displacement, language and social interaction, advocacy and digital surveillance, and a transnational China.

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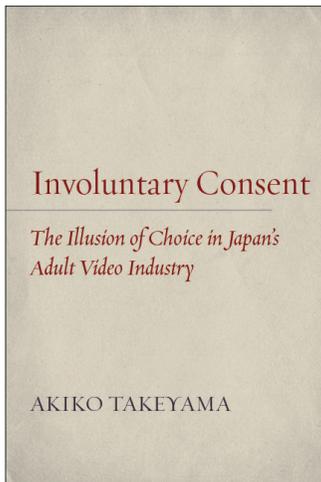


The Tropical Silk Road
The Future of China in South America

Edited by Paul Amar, Lisa Rofel, Fernando Brancoli, Maria Amelia Viteri and Consuelo Fernandez

Through thirty short essays, *The Tropical Silk Road* brings together an impressive array of contributors, from economists, anthropologists, and political scientists to Black, feminist, and Indigenous community organizers, Chinese stakeholders, environmental activists, and local journalists to offer a pathbreaking analysis of China's presence in South America that covers a wide range of topics, including humanitarian aid, agribusiness, and extractive industry—mineral mining, fossil fuel tapping, and port and transport infrastructure. As cracks in the progressive legacy of the Pink Tide and the failures of ecocidal right-wing populisms shape new political economies and geopolitical possibilities, this book provides a grassroots-based account of a post-U.S. centered world order, and an accompanying map of the stakes for South America that highlights emerging voices and forms of resistance.

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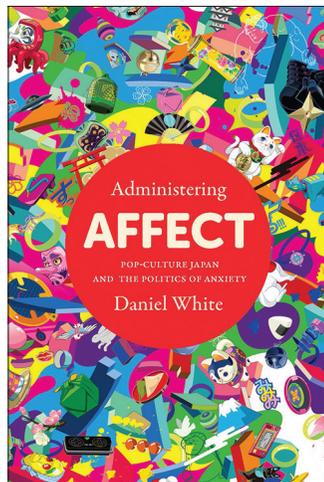
Involuntary Consent
The Illusion of Choice in Japan's Adult Video Industry

Akiko Takeyama

The popularity of pornography is predicated on the idea that participants have given consent. Looking at behind-the-scenes negotiations and abuses in Japan's massive \$5 billion a year adult video industry, Akiko Takeyama challenges this notion with the idea of "involuntary consent". This phenomenon, she argues, is ubiquitous, not only in the porn industry, but in our everyday lives, and yet modern society, built on beliefs of free choice, renders it all but invisible.

Takeyama argues that contract-making writ large is based on fundamentally dualistic terms, implying consent and pleasure on the one hand, and coercion and pain on the other. Taking consent as her starting point, Takeyama illustrates the nuances of Japan's pornographic and sex work industries and the legal structures, or lack thereof, that govern them.

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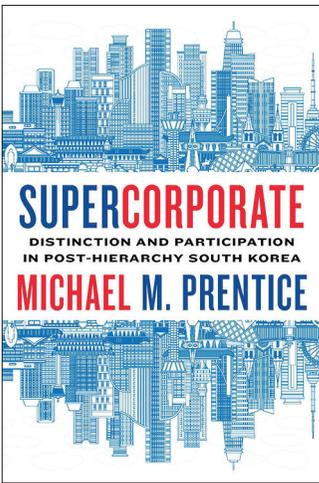
Administering Affect
Pop-Culture Japan and the Politics of Anxiety

Daniel White

How do the worlds that state administrators manage become the feelings publics embody? Based on 16 months of ethnographic fieldwork among rarely accessible government bureaucrats, Daniel White addresses this question by documenting the rise of a new national figure he calls "Pop-Culture Japan." Emerging in the wake of Japan's dramatic economic decline in the early 1990s, Pop-Culture Japan reflected the hopes of Japanese state bureaucrats and political elites seeking to recover their country's standing on the global stage.

Invoking the term "administering affect" to illustrate how anxiety becomes a bureaucratic target, technique, and unintended consequence of promoting Japan's national popular culture, the book presents an ethnographic portrait of the at-times surprisingly emotional lives of Japan's state bureaucrats. In examining how anxious feelings come to drive policymaking, White delivers an intimate anthropological analysis of the affective forces interconnecting state governance, popular culture, and national identity.

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Supercorporate
Distinction and Participation in Post-Hierarchy South Korea

Michael M. Prentice

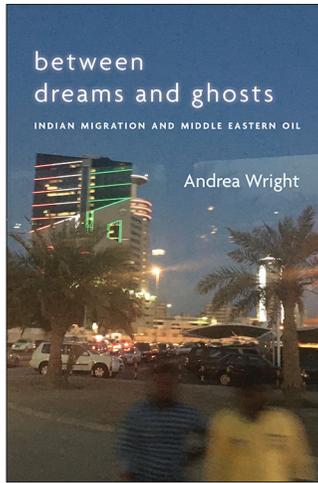
In *Supercorporate*, anthropologist Michael M. Prentice examines a central tension in visions of big corporate life in South Korea's twenty-first century: should corporations be sites of fair distinction or equal participation?

As South Korea distances itself from images and figures of a hierarchical past, Prentice argues that the drive to redefine the meaning of corporate labor echoes a central ambiguity around corporate labor today. Even as corporations remain idealized sites of middle-class aspiration in South Korea, employees are torn as to whether they want greater recognition for their work or meaningful forms of cooperation. Through an in-depth ethnography of the Sangdo Group conglomerate, the book examines how managers attempt to perfect corporate social life through new office programs while also minimizing the risks of creating new hierarchies. Ultimately, this book reveals how office life is a battleground for working out the promises and the perils of economic democratization in one of East Asia's most dynamic countries.

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Between Dreams and Ghosts
Indian Migration and Middle Eastern Oil

Andrea Wright

More than one million Indians travel annually to work in oil projects in the Gulf. This book follows their migration, across sites in India, the United Arab Emirates, and Kuwait, from villages to oilfields. Engaging the migrants themselves, the recruiting agencies that place them, the government bureaucrats that regulate their emigration, and the corporations that hire them, Wright examines labor migration as a social process, one deeply informed both by workers' dreams for the future and the ghosts of colonial capitalism. Placing migrants at the center of global capital, Wright shows how migrants are not passive bodies at the mercy of abstract forces—and reveals a new understanding of contemporary resource extraction, governance, and global labor.

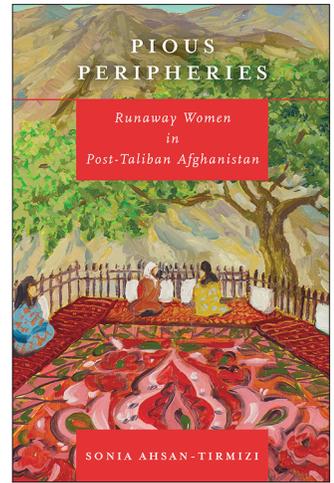
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Pious Peripheries
Runaway Women in Post-Taliban Afghanistan

Sonia Ahsan-Tirmizi

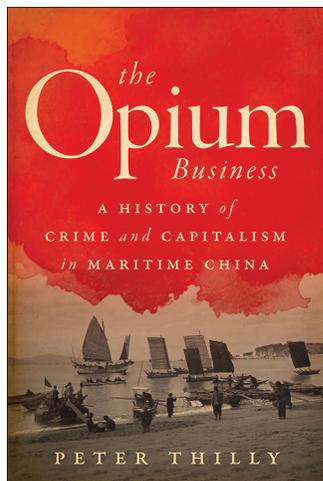
Taliban made piety a business of the state, and thereby intervened in the daily lives and social interactions of Afghan women. *Pious Peripheries* examines women's resistance through groundbreaking fieldwork at a women's shelter in Kabul, home to runaway wives, daughters, mothers, and sisters of the Taliban. Whether running to seek marriage or divorce, enduring or escaping abuse, or even accused of singing sexually explicit songs in public, "promiscuous" women challenge status quo—and once marked as promiscuous, women have few resources. Ahsan-Tirmizi explores how these women negotiate gendered power mechanisms and create a new supportive community, finding friendship and solidarity among the women who inhabit the margins of Afghan society.

"Pious Peripheries brings the reader into a diverse and opinionated world of Afghan women. Ahsan-Tirmizi's willingness to step aside and allow these remarkable women to speak for themselves is a tremendous strength."

—Thomas Barfield,
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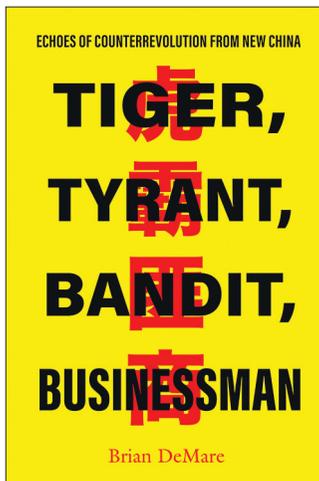
The Opium Business
*A History of Crime and Capitalism
in Maritime China*

Peter Thilly

From its rise in the 1830s, to its pinnacle in the 1930s, the opium trade was a guiding force in the Chinese political economy. Opium money was inextricably bound up in local, national, and imperial finances. In this book, Peter Thilly narrates the dangerous lives and shrewd business operations of opium traffickers in southeast China, situating them within a global history of capitalism and demonstrating how the modernizing Chinese state was infiltrated, manipulated, and profoundly transformed by opium profiteers.

Opium merchants carried the drug by sea, over mountains, and up rivers, with leading traders establishing monopolies over trade routes and territories, assembling “opium armies” to protect their businesses. Over time, these organizations became more bureaucratized and militarized, mimicking—and then eventually influencing, infiltrating, or supplanting—the state. Drug traders mattered—not only in the seedy ways in which they have been caricatured, but crucially as shadowy architects of statecraft and China’s evolution on the world stage.

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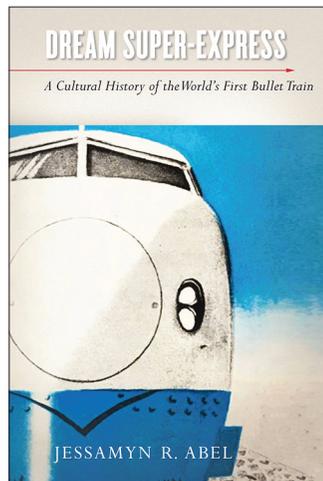
**Tiger, Tyrant, Bandit,
Businessman**
*Echoes of Counterrevolution from
New China*

Brian DeMare

The rural county of Poyang, lying in northern Jiangxi Province, goes largely unmentioned in the annals of modern Chinese history. Yet records from the Public Security Bureau archive hold a treasure trove of data on the everyday interactions between locals and the law. Drawing on these largely overlooked resources, *Tiger, Tyrant, Bandit, Businessman* follows four criminal cases that together uniquely illuminate the dawning years of the People’s Republic.

Using a unique casefile approach, Brian DeMare recounts stories of a Confucian scholar who found himself allied with bandits and secret society members; a farmer who murdered a cadre; an evil tyrant who exploited religious traditions to avoid prosecution; and a merchant accused of a crime he did not commit. Each case is a tremendous tale, complete with memorable characters, plot twists, and drama. Balancing storytelling with historical inquiry, this book is at once a grassroots view of rural China’s legal system and a lesson in archival research.

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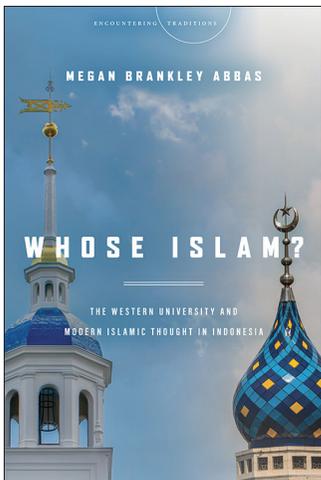


Dream Super-Express
*A Cultural History of the World's
First Bullet Train*

Jessamyn Abel

A symbol of the “new Japan” celebrated as the product of a national spirit of innovation, the Tōkaidō Shinkansen—the first bullet train, dubbed the “dream super-express”—represents the bold aspirations of a nation rebranding itself after military defeat, but also the deep problems caused by the unbridled postwar drive for economic growth. In *Dream Super-Express*, Jessamyn Abel contends that understanding the various, often contradictory, images of the bullet train reveals how infrastructure operates beyond its intended use as a means of transportation to perform cultural and sociological functions. This history of imaginations around the monumental rail system resists the commonplace story of progress to consider the tug-of-war over the significance of the new line. Tracing the meanings assigned to high-speed rail shows how it prompted a re-imagining of identity on the levels of individual, metropolis, and nation in a changing Japan.

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Whose Islam?
*The Western University
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in Indonesia*

Megan Brankley Abbas

For generations, Indonesia's foremost Muslim leaders received their educations in Middle Eastern madrasas or the archipelago's own Islamic schools. Starting in the mid-twentieth century, however, growing numbers traveled to the West to study Islam before returning home to assume positions of political and religious influence.

Whose Islam? examines the far-reaching repercussions of this change for major Muslim communities as well as for Islamic studies.

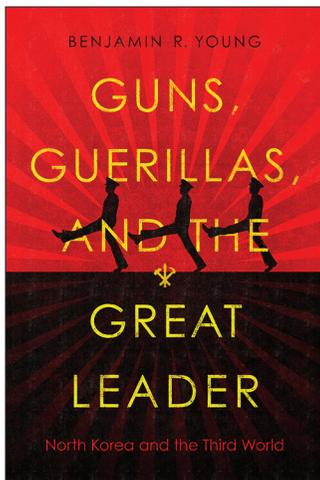
Drawing on extensive archival research from around the globe, this incisive new book provides a unique perspective on the perennial tensions between insiders and outsiders in religious studies.

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**Guns, Guerillas, and the
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North Korea and the Third World

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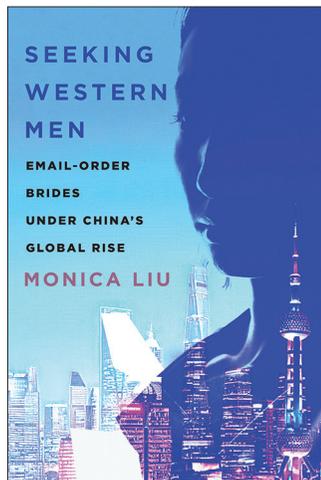
Far from always having been an isolated nation, North Korea exercised significant influence among Third World nations during the Cold War era. With one foot in the socialist Second World and the other in the anticolonial Third World, North Korea occupied a unique position as both a postcolonial nation and a Soviet client state. North Korea sent advisors to assist African liberation movements, trained anti-imperialist guerilla fighters, and completed building projects in developing countries. State-run media coverage of the Third World shaped the worldview of many North Koreans and helped them imagine a unified anti-imperialist front that stretched from the boulevards of Pyongyang to the streets of the Gaza Strip and the beaches of Cuba.

"An unprecedented look into the causes and consequences of North Korea's struggle for international influence."

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Seeking Western Men
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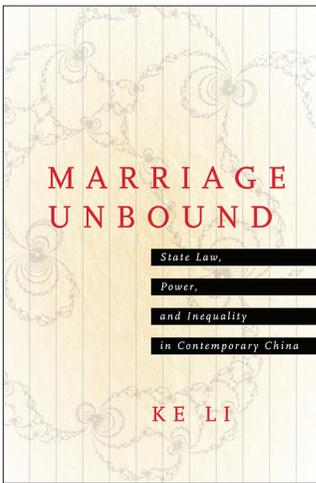
Monica Liu

International dating agencies that facilitate marriages comprise a \$2.5-billion-dollar global industry, and are rife with stereotypes—in particular, younger brides from non-Western countries being paired with older Western men. However, this book departs from this narrative, offering stories of women in China's email-order bride industry who are primarily middle-aged, divorced, and proactively seeking spouses to fulfill their material and sexual needs. What they seek in their Western partners is tied to what they believe they've lost in the shifting global economy around them.

How does China's global ascendance reshape Chinese women's perception of Western masculinity? Moreover, how do the women's own divergent class positions within Chinashape the outcome of their marital trajectories? Through the unique window of global internet dating, this book reveals how China's rise on the world stage reshapes relationships of race, class, gender, sex, and intimacy across borders.

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Marriage Unbound

State Law, Power, and Inequality in Contemporary China

Ke Li

China after Mao has undergone vast transformations, including massive rural-to-urban migration, rising divorce rates, and the steady expansion of the country's legal system. Today, divorce may appear a private concern, when in fact it is a profoundly political matter. *Marriage Unbound* focuses on the politics of divorce cases in contemporary China, following a group of women seeking judicial remedies for conjugal grievances and disputes.

Drawing on extensive archival and ethnographic data, paired with unprecedented access to rural Chinese courtrooms, Ke Li presents not only a stirring portrayal of how these women navigate divorce litigation, but also a uniquely in-depth account of the modern Chinese legal system. With sensitive and fluid prose, Li reveals the struggles between the powerful and the powerless at the front lines of dispute management; the complex interplay between culture and the state; and insidious statecraft that far too often sacrifices women's rights and interests.

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The Border Within

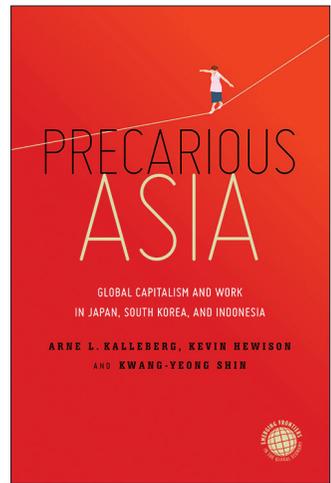
Vietnamese Migrants Transforming Ethnic Nationalism in Berlin

Phi Hong Su

When the Berlin Wall fell, Germany united in a wave of euphoria and solidarity. Also caught in the current were Vietnamese border crossers who had left their homeland after its reunification in 1975. Unwilling to live under socialism, one group resettled in West Berlin as refugees. In the name of socialist solidarity, a second group arrived in East Berlin as contract workers. *The Border Within* paints a vivid portrait of these disparate Vietnamese migrants' encounters with each other in the post-socialist city of Berlin. Phi Hong Su's rigorous ethnography unpacks this intuition. In absorbing prose, Su reveals how these Cold War compatriots enact palpable social boundaries in everyday life. This book uncovers how 20th-century state formation and international migration—together, border crossings—generate enduring migrant classifications. In doing so, border crossings fracture shared ethnic, national, and religious identities in enduring ways.

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Global Capitalism and Work in Japan, South Korea, and Indonesia

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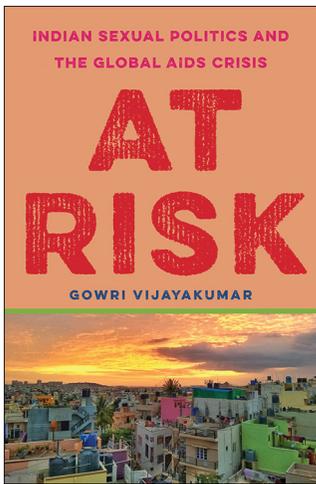
Precarious Asia assesses the role of global and domestic factors in shaping precarious work and its outcomes in Japan, South Korea, and Indonesia as they represent a range of Asian political democracies and capitalist economies: Japan and South Korea are now developed and mature economies, while Indonesia remains a lower-middle income country.

By linking macrostructural policies to both the mesostructure of labor relations and the microstructure of outcomes experienced by individual workers, they reveal the interplay of forces that generate precarious work. In doing so, they synthesize historical and institutional analyses with the political economy of capitalism and class relations, and show how precarious work ultimately contributes to increasingly high levels of inequality and condemns segments of the population to chronic poverty and many more to livelihood and income vulnerability.

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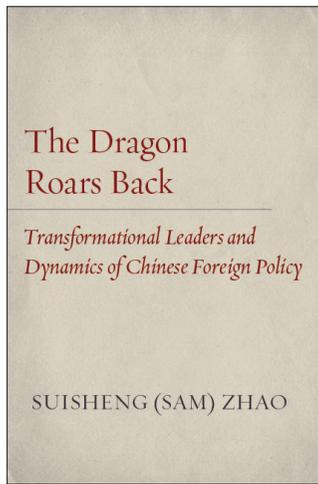
Indian Sexual Politics and the Global AIDS Crisis

Gowri Vijayakumar

In the mid-1990s, experts predicted that India would face the world's biggest AIDS epidemic by 2000. Global public health institutions and the Indian state initiated a massive prevention effort, channeling billions of dollars toward groups designated as at-risk—sex workers and men who have sex with men. *At Risk* captures this unique moment in which these criminalized and marginalized groups reinvented their “at-risk” categorization. The AIDS crisis created a contradictory, conditional, and temporary opening for sex-worker and LGBTIQ activists to renegotiate citizenship and to make demands on the state.

Working across India and Kenya, Gowri Vijayakumar provides a detailed account of the political struggles at the heart of the Indian AIDS response, and illuminates how the politics of gender, sexuality, and nationalism shape reactions to global crisis. In so doing, she considers the precarious potential for social change in and after a crisis.

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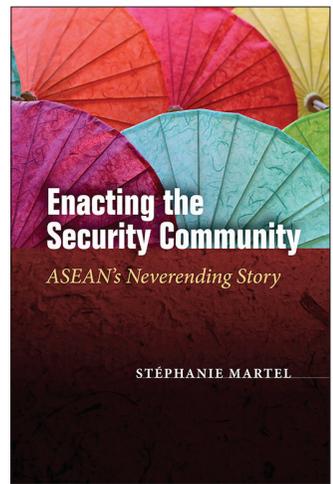
Transformational Leaders and Dynamics of Chinese Foreign Policy

Suisheng (Sam) Zhao

In modern world history, no other rising power has ever experienced China's turbulent relations with its neighbors and Western countries. Weaving together complex events, processes, and players, this book provides a historically in-depth, conceptually comprehensive, and up-to-date analysis of Chinese foreign policy transition since the founding of the People's Republic of China (PRC).

This book demonstrates how Mao Zedong, Deng Xiaoping, and Xi Jinping are transformational leaders who have charted unique courses of Chinese foreign policy in the quest for security, prosperity, and power. With the ultimate decision-making authority on national security and strategic policies, these leaders have made political use of ideational forces, tailoring bureaucratic institutions, exploiting the international power distribution, and responding strategically to the international norms and rules to advance their foreign policy agendas in the path of China's ascendance.

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ASEAN's Never-ending Story

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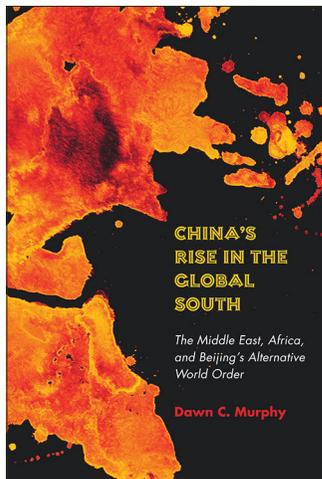
ASEAN's Never-ending Story

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This book illuminates the central role of discourse in the making of security communities through a case study of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN).

Stéphanie Martel argues that talk about security is more than empty rhetoric. It is precisely through discourse that ASEAN is brought into being as a security community. Martel analyzes the epic narratives that state and non-state actors tell about ASEAN's journey, featuring a colorful cast of heroes and monsters. Through fieldwork and in-depth interviews with practitioners, Martel provides clear evidence that discourse is key to sustaining regional organizations like ASEAN. *Enacting the Security Community* is an incisive contribution to debates among scholars and practitioners about security communities as well as the role of discourse in the study of world politics.

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China's Rise in the Global South
The Middle East, Africa, and Beijing's Alternative World Order

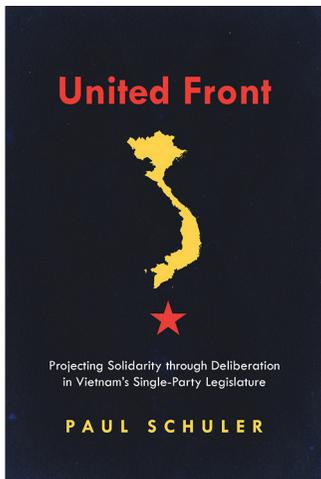
Dawn C. Murphy

As China and the U.S. increasingly compete for power in key areas of U.S. influence, great power conflict looms. Yet few studies have looked to the Middle East and Africa, regions of major political, economic, and military importance for both China and the U.S., to theorize how China competes in a changing world system.

China's Rise in the Global South examines China's behavior as a rising power in two key Global South regions, the Middle East and Sub-Saharan Africa. From the Belt and Road initiative to the founding of new cooperation forums and special envoys, *China's Rise in the Global South* offers an in-depth look at China's foreign policy approach to the countries it considers its partners in South-South cooperation.

Murphy contends that China is constructing an alternate international order to interact with these regions, and provides policymakers and scholars of international relations with the tools to analyze it.

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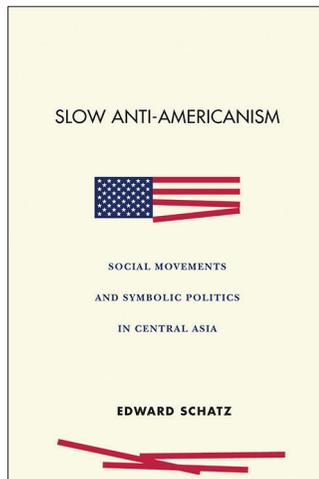
United Front
Projecting Solidarity through Deliberation in Vietnam's Single-Party Legislature

Paul Schuler

Conventional wisdom emerging from China and other autocracies claims that single-party legislatures and elections are mutually beneficial for citizens and autocrats, serving functions like constraining political leaders or providing information about citizens. In *United Front*, Paul Schuler challenges these views by examining the past and present functioning of the Vietnam National Assembly (VNA). Critical behavior from legislature delegates represents crossfire within the regime, not genuine citizen feedback. Schuler's argument suggests that there are limits to generating genuinely "consultative authoritarianism" through quasi-democratic institutions. Applying cutting-edge social science methods on original data like legislative speeches, election returns, and surveys, Schuler shows that even in a seemingly vociferous legislature like the VNA, the ultimate purpose is not to reflect the views of citizens, but rather to signal the regime's strength and preferences while taking down rivals.

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Slow Anti-Americanism
Social Movements and Symbolic Politics in Central Asia

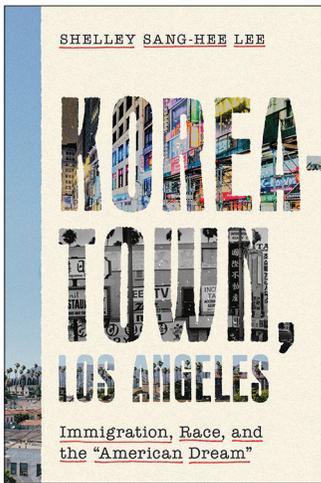
Edward Schatz

Negative views of the United States abound, but we know too little about how such views affect politics. Based on careful research on post-Soviet Central Asia, Edward Schatz argues that anti-Americanism is best seen not as a rising tide that swamps or as a conflagration that overwhelms. Rather, "America" is a symbolic resource that resides quietly in the mundane but always has potential value for social and political mobilizers. Using a wide range of evidence, Schatz considers how Islamist movements, human rights activists, and labor mobilizers across Central Asia avail themselves of this fact, thus changing their ability to pursue their respective agendas. Schatz refocuses our analytic gaze away from high politics for a clearer view of the slower moving, partially occluded, and socially embedded processes that ground how "America" becomes political.

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Koreatown, Los Angeles
Immigration, Race, and the
“American Dream”

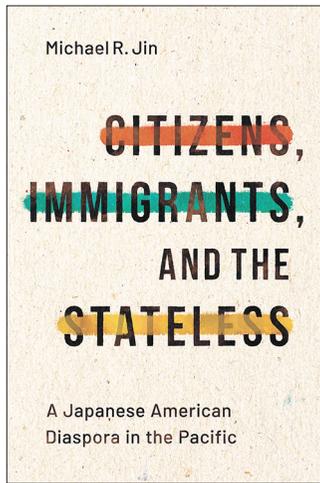
Shelley Lee

Koreatown, Los Angeles tells the story of an American ethnic community often equated with socioeconomic achievement and assimilation, but whose experiences as racial minorities and immigrant outsiders illuminate key economic and cultural developments in the United States since 1965. Beginning with the early development of LA's Koreatown and culminating with the 1992 Los Angeles riots and their aftermath, Shelley Sang-Hee Lee demonstrates how Korean Americans' lives were shaped by patterns of racial segregation and urban poverty, and legacies of anti-Asian racism and orientalism. More than a dot on a map, Koreatown holds profound emotional significance for Korean immigrants across the nation as a symbol of their shared bonds and place in American society.

“A compelling and accessibly written read that brings together multiple histories to examine Korean Los Angeles and Korean America since the 1970s.”

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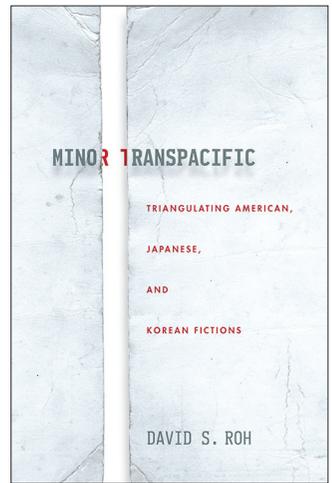
Citizens, Immigrants,
and the Stateless
A Japanese American Diaspora
in the Pacific

Michael R. Jin

From the 1920s to the eve of the Pacific War in 1941, more than 50,000 second-generation Japanese Americans (*Nisei*) embarked on transpacific journeys to the Japanese Empire, putting an ocean between themselves and pervasive anti-Asian racism in the American West. This contingent of Japanese Americans—one in four U.S.-born *Nisei*—came in search of better lives but instead encountered a world shaped by increasingly volatile relations between the U.S. and Japan.

Based on transnational and bilingual research in the United States and Japan, Michael R. Jin recuperates the stories of this unique group at the crossroads of U.S. and Japanese empire. From the Jim Crow American West to the Japanese colonial frontiers in Asia, and from internment camps in America to Hiroshima on the eve of the atomic bombing, these individuals redefined ideas about home, identity, citizenship, and belonging as they encountered multiple social realities on both sides of the Pacific.

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Minor Transpacific
Triangulating American, Japanese,
and Korean Fictions

David S. Roh

There is a tendency to think of Korean American literature—and Asian American literature writ large—as a field of study involving only two spaces, the United States and Korea. The same rings true with Korean Japanese *Zainichi* literature involving only Japan and Korea. This book posits that both fields must account for all three spaces: Korean American literature has to grapple with the legacy of Japanese imperialism in the United States, and *Zainichi* literature must account for American interventions in Japan. Working in Japanese and English, David S. Roh builds a theoretical framework for articulating moments of contact between minority literatures in a third national space.

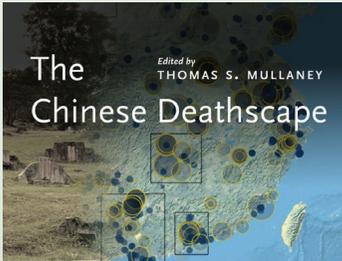
“A refreshing piece of scholarship that will advance important conversations surrounding transnational minor literature and Korean American cultural production.”

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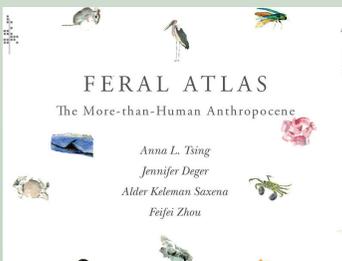
The Chinese Deathscape

Grave Reform in Modern China

Edited by Thomas S. Mullaney

In the past decade alone, more than ten million corpses have been exhumed and reburied across the Chinese landscape. The campaign has transformed China's graveyards into sites of acute personal, social, political, and economic contestation.

In this digital volume, three historians of China, Jeffrey Snyder-Reinke, Christian Henriot, and Thomas S. Mullaney, chart out the history of China's rapidly shifting deathscape. Each essay grapples with a different dimension of grave relocation and burial reform in China over the past three centuries: from the phenomenon of "baby towers" in the Lower Yangzi region of late imperial China, to the histories of death in the city of Shanghai, and finally to the history of grave relocation during the contemporary period, examined by Mullaney, when both its scale and tempo increased dramatically. Rounding off these historical analyses, a colophon by platform developers David McClure and Glen Worthey speaks to new reading methodologies emerging from a format in which text and map move in concert to advance historical argumentation.



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