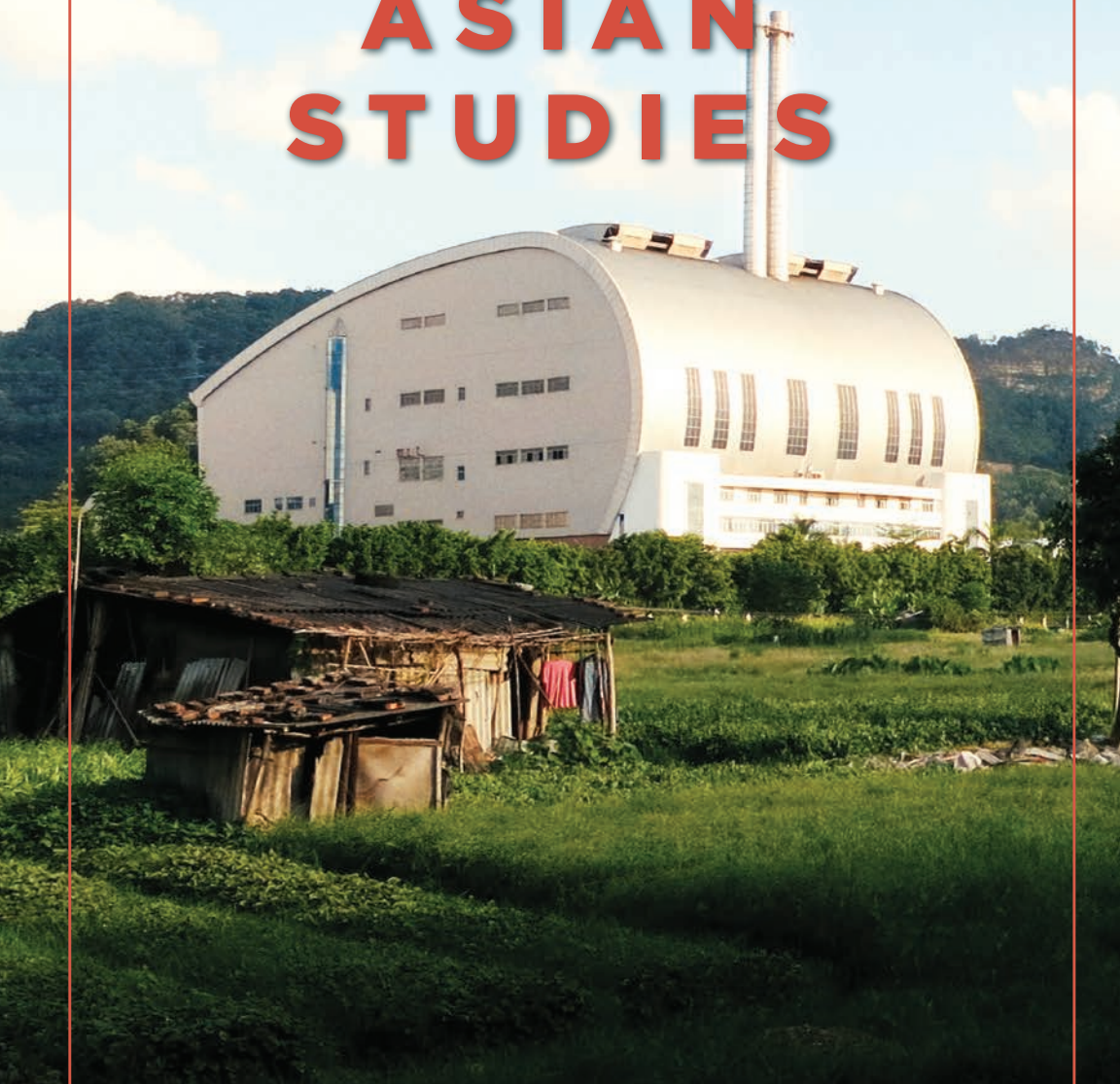




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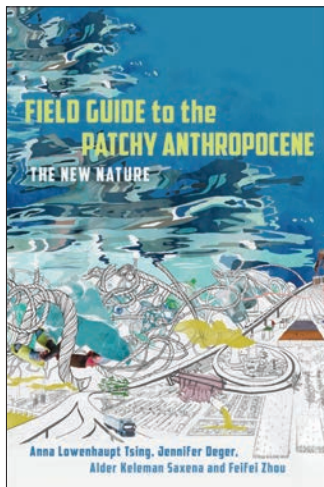
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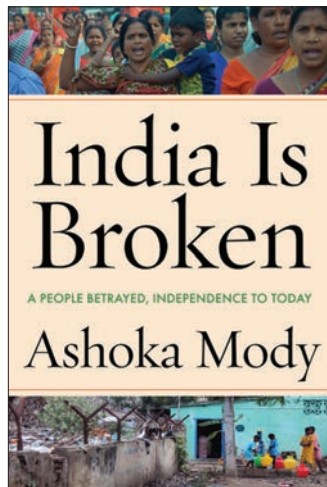
Field Guide to the Patchy Anthropocene *The New Nature*

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Jennifer Deger, Alder Keleman
Saxena, and Feifei Zhou

Field guides teach us how to notice, identify, name. They hone our powers of observation and teach us to see the world anew. *Field Guide to the Patchy Anthropocene* leads readers through a series of sites, observations, thought experiments, and genre-stretching descriptive practices to take stock of our current planetary crisis. Foregrounding nonhumans as world-changing historical actors, this book looks to nurture a revitalized natural history to address the profound challenges of our times.

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India Is Broken

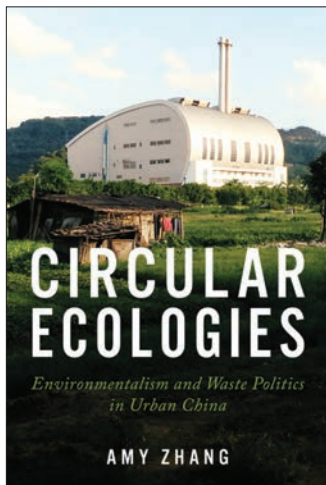
*A People Betrayed, Independence
to Today*

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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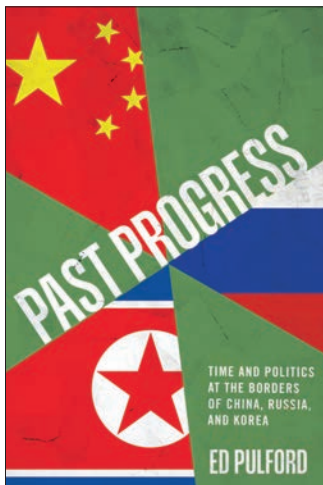
Environmentalism and Waste Politics in Urban China

Amy Zhang

China is confronting a domestic waste crisis—the World Economic Forum projects that by 2030 household waste will be double that of the United States. Based on long-term research in Guangzhou, *Circular Ecologies* critically analyzes the implementation of technologies and infrastructures to modernize a mega-city's waste management system. In Guangzhou, waste's transformation revealed uncomfortable truths about China's mode of environmental governance: a preference for technology over labor, the aestheticization of order, and the expropriation of value in service of an ecological vision.

Amy Zhang argues that in China, waste—the material vestige of decades of growth and consumption—is a systemic irritant that troubles China's technocratic governance. Waste provoked an unlikely political coalition of urban communities, that came to constitute a nascent, bottom-up environmental politics, and offers a model for conceptualizing ecological action under authoritarian conditions.

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Past Progress

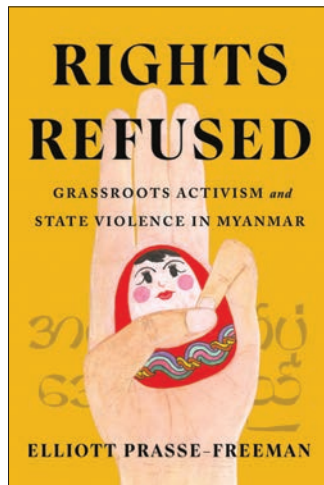
Time and Politics at the Borders of China, Russia, and Korea

Ed Pulford

While anxiety abounds in the old Cold War West that progress—whether political or economic—has been reversed, for citizens of former-socialist countries, murky temporal trajectories are nothing new. Grounded in the multiethnic frontier town of Hunchun at the triple border of China, Russia, and North Korea, Ed Pulford traces how several of global history's most ambitiously totalizing progressive endeavors have ended in cataclysmic collapse here. From the Japanese empire, through Chinese, Soviet, and Korean socialisms, these borderlands have seen projections and disintegrations of forward-oriented ideas accumulate on a grand scale.

Taking an archaeological approach to notions of historical progress, the book's three parts follow an innovative structure moving backwards through linear time. Examining a borderland across linguistic, cultural, and historical lenses, *Past Progress* is a simultaneously local and transregional analysis of time, borders, and the state before, during, and since socialism.

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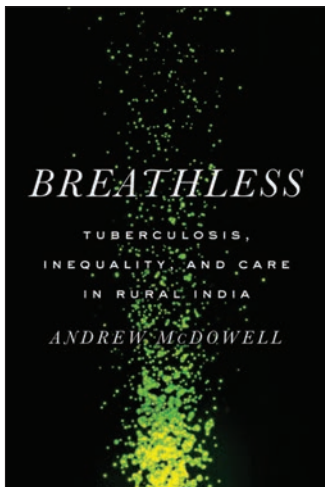
Grassroots Activism and State Violence in Myanmar

Elliott Prasse-Freeman

The outside world has mostly known Myanmar as the site of a valiant human rights struggle against an oppressive military regime, predominantly through the figure of Nobel Peace Prize winner Aung San Suu Kyi. And yet, a closer look at Burmese grassroots sentiments reveals a significant schism between elite human rights cosmopolitans and subaltern Burmese subjects maneuvering under brutal governance who often go so far as to refuse rights, seeing in them no more than empty promises. Such alternative perspectives became apparent during Burma's much-lauded decade-long “transition” from military rule that began in 2011, a period of massive change that saw an explosion of political and social activism.

Taking the reader from protest camps, to flop houses, to prisons, and presenting practices as varied as courtroom immolation, occult cursing ceremonies, and land reoccupations, *Rights Refused* shows how Burmese subaltern politics compel us to reconsider how rights frameworks operate everywhere.

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Breathless

Tuberculosis, Inequality, and Care in Rural India

Andrew McDowell

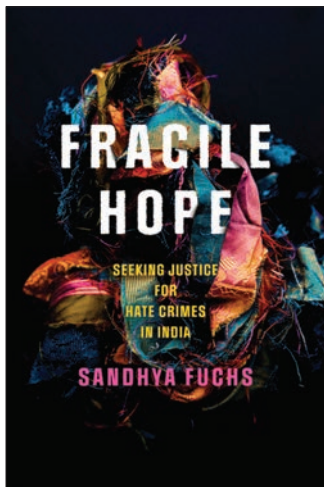
Over two million people fall sick with tuberculosis (TB) in India each year, an infectious, airborne, and potentially deadly lung disease. Because TB's prevalence also indicates unfulfilled development promises, its control is an important issue of national concern, wrapped up in questions of postcolonial governance. Drawing on long-term ethnographic engagement with a village in North India and its TB epidemic, Andrew McDowell tells the stories of socially marginalized Dalit ("ex-untouchable") farming families afflicted by TB, and the nurses, doctors, quacks, mediums, and mystics who care for them.

From this raft of stories about the ways people make sense of and struggle with troubled breath, McDowell develops a philosophy and phenomenology of breathing. He theorizes that breath—as an intersection between person and world—provides a unique perspective on public health and inequality. Through it all, *Breathless* traces the multivalent relations that breath engenders between people, environments, social worlds, and microbes.

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Fragile Hope

Seeking Justice for Hate Crimes in India

Sandhya Fuchs

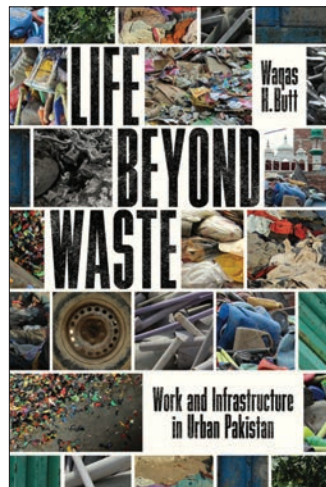
Against the backdrop of the global Black Lives Matter movement, debates around the social impact of hate crime laws have come to the political fore. Since 2015, India has seen a dramatic rise in violence against ex-untouchable groups (Dalits) and other minorities. Consequently, an emerging "Dalit Lives Matter" movement has campaigned for effective implementation of India's only hate crime law: the 1989 Scheduled Castes/Scheduled Tribes Prevention of Atrocities Act.

Drawing on long-term, Sandhya Fuchs unveils how Dalit communities interpret, mobilize, and reframe the Atrocities Act in their quest for justice. Fuchs uses the intimate lens of personal narrative to lay bare the unseen ways legal systems converge and conflict with concerns about justice for hate crime, and create new controversies, inequalities, and hope.

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Life Beyond Waste

Work and Infrastructure in Urban Pakistan

Waqas H. Butt

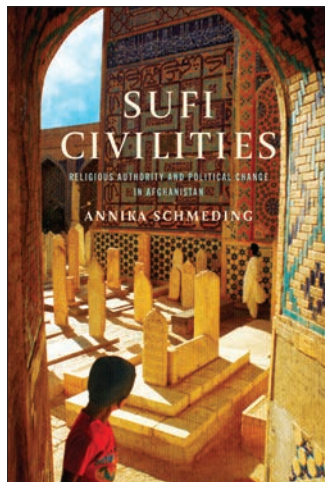
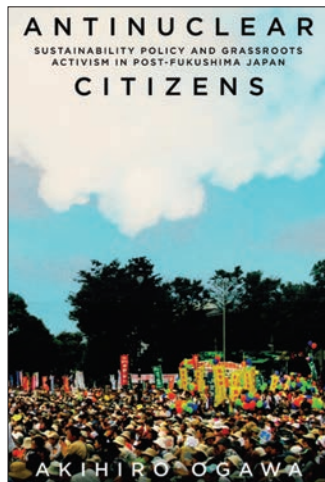
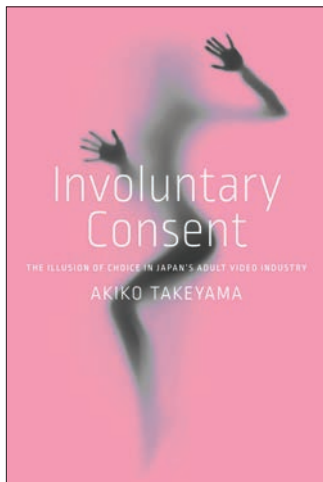
Over the last several decades, life in Lahore has undergone profound transformations, from rapid and uneven urbanization to expanding state institutions and informal economies. What do these transformations look like if viewed from the lens of waste? In Lahore, waste workers—whether municipal employees or informal laborers—are drawn from low- or noncaste (Dalit) groups and dispose the refuse of 11 million inhabitants. Bringing workers into contact with potentially polluting materials reinforces their marginalization, and yet, their work allows city life to go on. This historical and ethnographic account examines how waste work has been central to transforming the city of Lahore from the colonial period to the present.

Life Beyond Waste maintains that processes reproducing life in a city like Lahore must be critically assessed along the lines of caste, class, and religion, which have been constitutive features of urbanization across South Asia.

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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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Antinuclear Citizens
Sustainability Policy and Grassroots Activism in Post-Fukushima Japan
Akihiro Ogawa

Following the Great East Japan Earthquake on March 11, 2011, tsunamis engulfed the Fukushima Daiichi nuclear power plant, leading to the worst nuclear disaster the world has seen since the Chernobyl crisis of 1986. Prior to this disaster, Japan had the third largest commercial nuclear program in the world, surpassed only by those in the United States and France. This long period of institutional stasis was, however, punctuated by the crisis of March 11, which became a critical juncture for Japanese nuclear policymaking. As Akihiro Ogawa argues, the primary agent for this change is what he calls "antinuclear citizens"—a conscientious Japanese public who envision a sustainable life in a nuclear-free society. Drawing on over a decade of ethnographic research conducted across Japan, Ogawa presents an historical record of ordinary people's actions as they sought to survive and navigate a new reality post-Fukushima.

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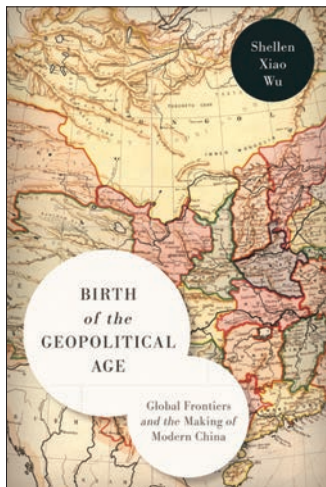
Sufi Civilities
Religious Authority and Political Change in Afghanistan
Annika Schmeding

Afghanistan has a complex and varied religious landscape where a broad spectrum of religious belief vie for a place in society. This book, based on long-term ethnographic field research among multiple Sufi communities, examines navigational strategies employed by Sufi leaders to weather periods of instability and persecution over the past four decades. Schmeding shows how they have adapted in novel ways to changing conditions to craft Sufism as a force in the civil sphere. This book offers a rare on-the-ground view into how Sufi leaders react to moments of transition within a highly insecure environment, and how humanity shines through the darkness during times of turmoil.

"Through astute anthropological observation, Schmeding shows how Sufis became important players in the contests for religious authority that emerged from the cultural whirligig of a NATO-supported Islamic Republic. A major contribution."

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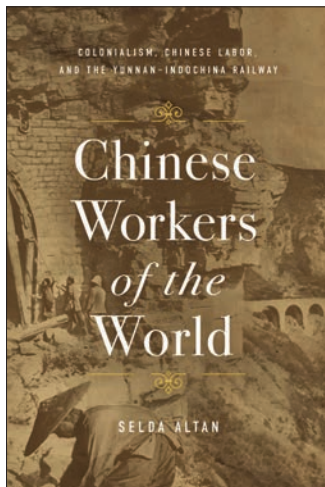


Birth of the Geopolitical Age
Global Frontiers and the Making of Modern China
Shellen Xiao Wu

From the 1850s until the mid-twentieth century, a period marked by global conflicts, anxiety about dwindling resources, and closing opportunities after decades of expansion, the frontier became a mirror for historical and geographical hopes and fears. From Asia to Europe and the Americas, countries around the world engaged with new interpretations of empire and the deployment of science and technology to aid frontier development. Through a century of political turmoil and war, China nevertheless is the only nation to successfully navigate the twentieth century with its imperial territorial expanse largely intact.

In this book, Shellen Wu weaves a narrative that moves through time and space, the lives of individuals, and empires' rise and fall and rebirth, to show how Chinese geopolitical ambitions in the twentieth century, and the global transformation of frontiers into colonial laboratories, continues to reorder global power dynamics in East Asia and wider world to this day.

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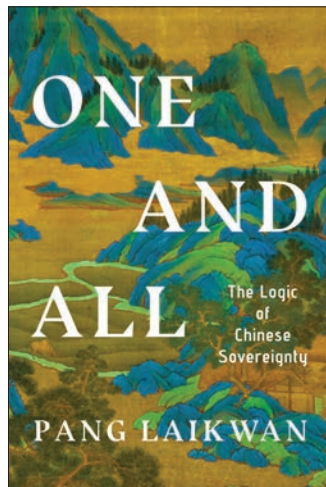


Chinese Workers of the World
Colonialism, Chinese Labor, and the Yunnan–Indochina Railway
Selda Altan

Chinese workers helped build the modern world. They labored on New World plantations, worked in South African mines, and toiled through the construction of the Panama Canal, among many other projects. While most investigations of Chinese workers focus on migrant labor, *Chinese Workers of the World* explores Chinese labor under colonial regimes within China through examination of the Yunnan–Indochina Railway, constructed between 1898–1910, a French investment in imperial China during the age of “railroad colonialism.”

Drawing on Chinese, French, and British archival accounts of day-to-day worker struggles and labor conflicts, Selda Altan argues that, long before the Chinese Communist Party defined Chinese workers as the vanguard of a revolutionary movement in the 1920s, Yunnan railway workers contested the conditions of their employment with the knowledge of a globalizing capitalist market, fundamentally reshaping Chinese ideas of free labor, national sovereignty, and regional leadership in East and Southeast Asia.

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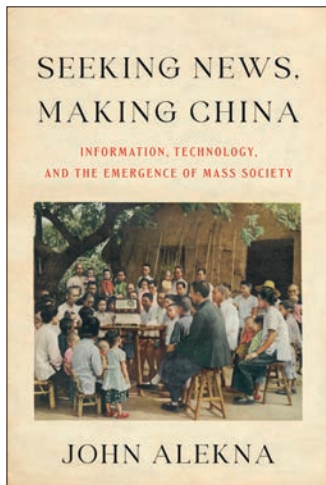


ONE AND ALL
The Logic of Chinese Sovereignty
PANG LAIKWAN

The People's Republic of China (PRC)—one of the most powerful states in contemporary global politics—has been resorting to the logic of sovereignty to respond to many external and internal challenges, from territorial rights disputes to the Covid-19 pandemic. In this book, Pang Laikwan analyzes the historical roots of Chinese sovereignty. Surveying the four different political structures of modern China—imperial, republican, socialist, and post-socialist—and the dramatic ruptures between them, Pang argues that the ruling regime's sovereign anxiety cuts across the long twentieth century in China, providing a strong throughline for the state–society relations during moments of intense political instability.

With the possibility of a new Cold War looming large, globalization disintegrating, and populism on the rise, Pang provides a timely reevaluation of the logic of sovereignty in China as power, discourse, and a basis for governance.

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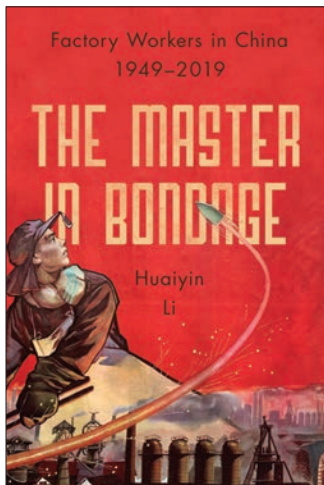


Seeking News, Making China
*Information, Technology, and the
Emergence of Mass Society*
John Alekna

In China, radio first arrived in the winter of 1922-23, bursting into a world where communication was slow, disjointed, or non-existent. Just fifty years later, at the beginning of the Cultural Revolution, news broadcasts reached hundreds of millions of people instantaneously, every day. How did Chinese citizens experience the rapid changes in information practices and political organization that occurred in this period? What was it like to live through a news revolution?

John Alekna traces the history of news in twentieth century China to demonstrate how large structural changes in technology and politics were heard and felt. Taking an innovative, holistic view of information practices, Alekna weaves together both rural and urban history to tell the story of rise of mass society through the lens of communication techniques and technology, showing how the news revolution fundamentally reordered the political geography of China.

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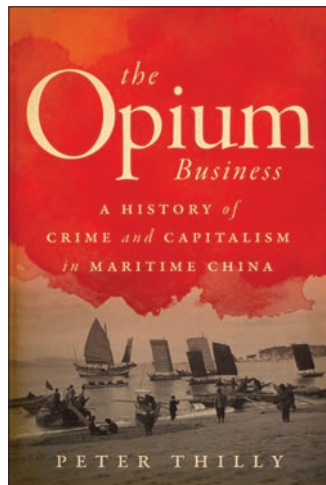


The Master in Bondage
*Factory Workers in China,
1949-2019*
Huaiyin Li

Drawing on a rich set of original oral histories conducted with retired factory workers from industrial centers across the country, this book provides a bottom-up examination of working class factory life during socialist and reform-era China, as well as a series of new interpretations that challenge, revise, and enrich the existing scholarship on factory politics during the Maoist years.

In sharp contrast with the ideologically driven goal of promoting grassroots democracy or manifesting workers' status as the masters of the workplace, Huaiyin Li argues that Maoist era state-owned enterprises operated effectively to turn factory workers into a well-disciplined labor force. The enterprise reforms of the 1980s and 1990s catalyzed the transformation of the industrial workforce from predominantly privileged workers in state owned enterprises to precarious migrant workers of rural origins hired by private firms. Ultimately, this history provides an analytically astute new picture of factory life in the world's largest manufacturing powerhouse.

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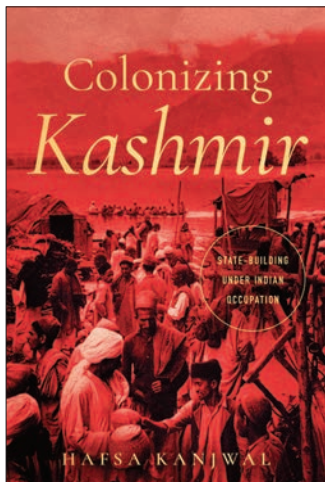


The Opium Business
*A History of Crime and Capitalism
in Maritime China*
Peter Thilly

From its rise in the 1830s, to its pinnacle in the 1930s, the opium trade was a guiding force in the Chinese political economy. 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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Colonizing Kashmir

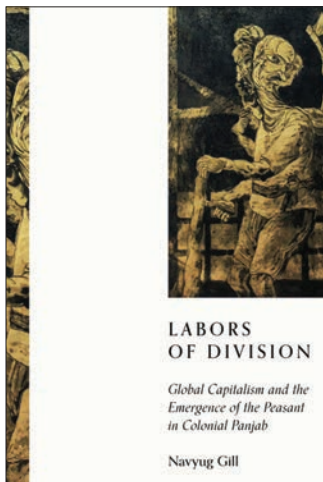
State-building under Indian Occupation
Hafsa Kanjwal

The Indian government, touted as the world's largest democracy, often repeats that Jammu and Kashmir—its only Muslim-majority state—is “an integral part of India.” The region, which is disputed between India and Pakistan, has been occupied by India for over seventy-five years. In this book, Hafsa Kanjwal interrogates how Kashmir was made “integral” to India through a study of the decade long rule (1953–1963) of Bakshi Ghulam Mohammad, the second Prime Minister of the State of Jammu and Kashmir. Kanjwal reveals how the Kashmir government tailored its policies to integrate Kashmir's Muslims while also showing how these policies were marked by inter-religious tension, corruption, and political repression. Challenging the binaries of colonial and postcolonial, she urges us to question triumphalist narratives of India's state-formation, as well as the sovereignty claims of the modern nation-state.

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Labors of Division

Global Capitalism and the Emergence of the Peasant in Colonial Panjab
Navyug Gill

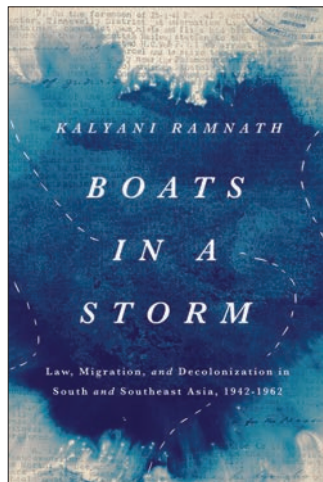
Labors of Division accounts for the colonial origins of global capitalism through a radical history of the concept of “the peasant,” demonstrating how seemingly fixed hierarchies were in fact produced, legitimized, and challenged within the Panjab, the preeminent agricultural region of South Asia. Navyug Gill uncovers how and why the notion of the hereditary caste peasant engaged in timeless cultivation emerged, paradoxically, as a result of a dramatic series of conceptual, juridical, and monetary divisions.

The book reveals both the landowning peasant and landless laborer to be novel political subjects forged through the encounter between colonialism and struggles over culture and capital within Panjabi society. With this history, Gill brings difference and contingency to understandings of the global past in order to re-think the itinerary of comparative political economy as well as alternative possibilities for emancipatory futures.

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Boats in a Storm

Law, Migration, and Decolonization in South and Southeast Asia, 1942-1962
Kalyani Ramnath

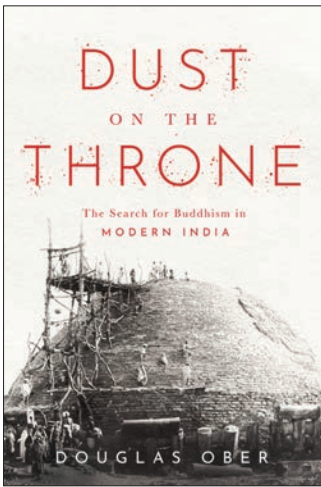
For more than a century before World War II, traders, merchants, financiers, and laborers steadily moved between places on the Indian Ocean. This all changed as India, Burma, Ceylon, and Malaya wrested independence from the British empire. Set against the tumult of the postwar period, *Boats in a Storm* centers on the legal struggles of migrants to retain their traditional patterns of life, illustrating how they experienced citizenship and decolonization.

Kalyani Ramnath narrates how former migrants battled legal requirements in a postwar context of rising ethno-nationalisms that accused migrants of stealing jobs and hoarding land. Ultimately, Ramnath shows how decolonization was marked not only by ship-wrecked empires and nation-states assembled and ordered from the debris of imperial collapse, but also by these forgotten stories of wartime displacements, their unintended consequences, and long afterlives.

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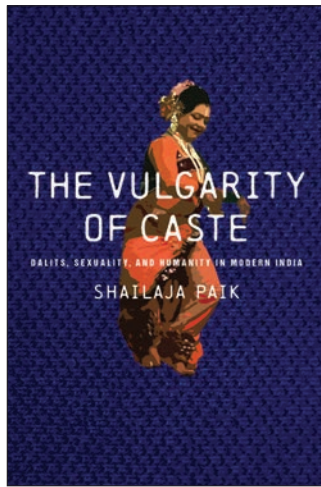


Dust on the Throne
The Search for Buddhism in Modern India
Douglas Ober

Received wisdom has it that Buddhism disappeared from India, the land of its birth, between the thirteenth and fourteenth centuries. Its full-fledged revival, so the story goes, only occurred in 1956, when the Indian civil rights pioneer Dr. B.R. Ambedkar converted to Buddhism along with half a million of his Dalit (formerly “untouchable”) followers. This, however, is only part of the story. Through an extensive examination of disparate materials held at archives and temples across South Asia, Douglas Ober reframes discussions about the place of Buddhism in the subcontinent from the early nineteenth century onwards, uncovering the numerous ways that Buddhism gave powerful shape to modern Indian history.

While Buddhism in contemporary India is often disparaged as being little more than tattered manuscripts and crumbling ruins, *Dust on the Throne* opens new avenues for understanding its substantial socio-political impact and intellectual legacy.

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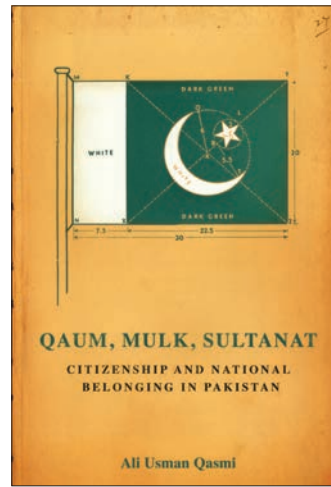


The Vulgarities of Caste
Dalits, Sexuality, and Humanity in Modern India
Shailaja Paik

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 *ashlil* (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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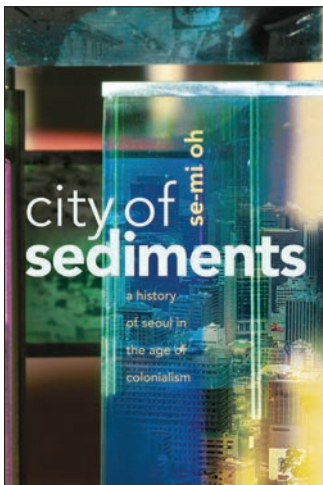


Qaum, Mulk, Sultanat
Citizenship and National Belonging in Pakistan
Ali Usman Qasmi

After the trauma of mass violence and massive population movements around the partition of India and Pakistan in 1947, both new nation states faced the enormous challenge of creating new national narratives and a framework for political life. While leadership in India claimed the anti-colonial movement, Gandhi, and a civilizational legacy in the subcontinent, the new political elite in Pakistan were faced with a more complex task: to carve out a separate and distinct Muslim history and political tradition from a millennium long history of cultural and religious interaction, mixing, and coexistence.

Drawing on a rich archive of diverse sources, Ali Qasmi traces the development of ideas of citizenship and national belonging in the postcolonial Muslim state, offering a nuanced and sweeping history of the country's formative period, as well as providing an illuminating analysis of the practices of *being Pakistani*, and a new portrait of Muslim history in the subcontinent.

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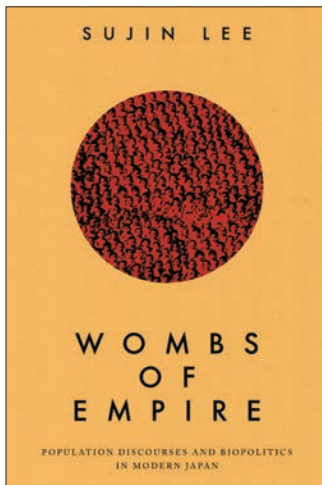


City of Sediments
A History of Seoul in the Age of Colonialism
Se-Mi Oh

Drawing from and analyzing a wide range of materials, from architecture and photography to print media and sound recordings, *City of Sediments* traces how, during Japanese colonial rule, the Korean capital of Seoul became a site to articulate a new mode of time—modernity—that defined the place of the colonized in accordance with the progression of history, and how the underbelly of the city, latent places of darkness filled with chatters of the alleyway, challenged this visual language of power.

Se-Mi Oh builds an inventive new model of history where discrete events do not unfold one after the other, but rather one in which histories layer atop each other like sediment, allowing a new map of colonial Seoul to emerge, a map where the material traces of the city are overlapping, with vibrant residues of earlier times defiantly visible among the superimposed signs of modernity and colonial domination.

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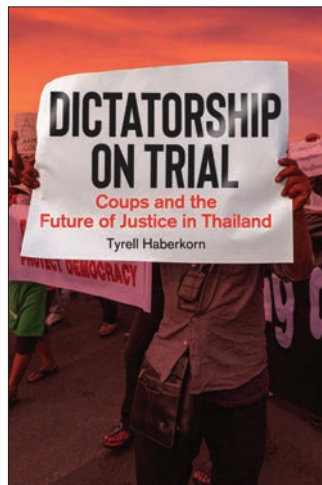


Wombs of Empire
Population Discourses and Biopolitics in Modern Japan
Sujin Lee

Japan's contemporary struggle with low fertility rates is a well-known issue, as are the country's efforts to bolster their population in order to address attendant socioeconomic challenges. However, though this anxiety about and discourse around population is thought of as relatively recent phenomenon, government and medical intervention in reproduction and fertility are hardly new in Japan.

In this book, Sujin Lee traces the trajectory of population discourses in interwar and wartime Japan, and positions them as critical sites where competing visions of modernity came into tension. Bringing a feminist perspective and Foucauldian theory to bear on the history of Japan's wartime scientific fascism, Lee shows how anxieties over demographics have undergirded justifications for ethnonationalism and racism, colonialism and imperialism, and gender segregation for much of Japan's modern history.

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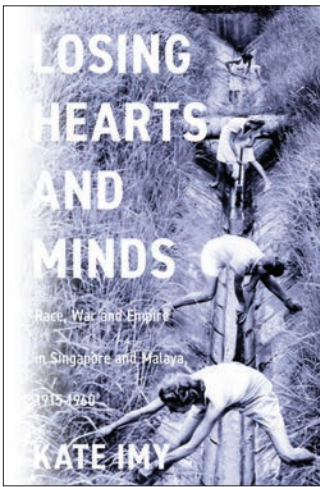


Dictatorship on Trial
Coups and the Future of Justice in Thailand
Tyrell Haberkorn

In 2014, after a decade of political turmoil, the National Council for Peace and Order (NCPO) carried out Thailand's 13th coup since the country's transformation from absolute to constitutional monarchy in 1932. Though the NCPO promised to restore the rule of law, justice—long tenuous in Thailand—disappeared entirely.

Organized chronologically across the five years of the NCPO regime, each chapter of *Dictatorship on Trial* takes up a different political case and enumerates the ways in which political activists were made vulnerable rather than protected by the state's interpretations of the law. Inspired by feminist legal scholars, the substantive analysis in each chapter is followed by new, rewritten judgments created in collaboration with Thai human rights activists. In plotting these alternative logics, interpretations of evidence, and conclusions, Tyrell Haberkorn outlines what true justice might look like, and assesses the legal and political transformations necessary to realize it.

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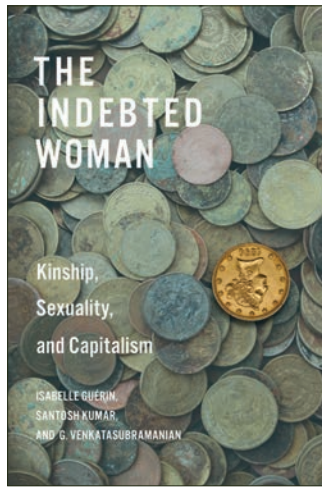


Losing Hearts and Minds
Race, War, and Empire in Singapore and Malaya, 1915-1960
Kate Imy

Losing Hearts and Minds explores the loss of British power and prestige in colonial Singapore and Malaya from the First World War to the Malayan Emergency. During this period, British leaders relied on a growing number of Asian, European and Eurasian allies and servicepeople, including servants, police, soldiers, and medical professionals, to maintain their empire. At the same time, British institutions and leaders continued to use racial and gender violence to wage war. As a result, those colonial subjects closest to British power frequently experienced the limits of belonging and the broken promises of imperial inclusion, hastening the end of British rule in Southeast Asia.

Historian Kate Imy tells the story of how Singapore and Malaya became sites of some of the most impactful military and anti-colonial conflicts of the twentieth century, where British military leaders repeatedly tried—but largely failed—to win the “hearts and minds” of colonial subjects.

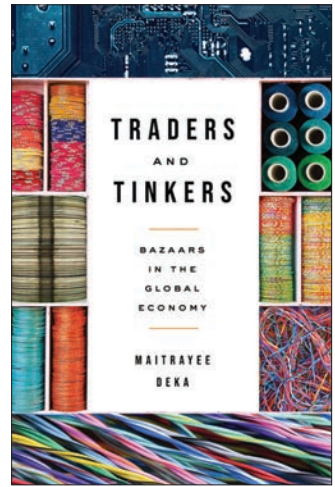
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The Indebted Woman
Kinship, Sexuality, and Capitalism
Isabelle Guérin, Santosh Kumar, and G. Venkatasubramanian

Poor women have become essential cogs in the wheel of financialized capitalism. Globally, it is most often women who manage household debt to make ends meet, and that debt has exploded over the last decade, reaching an all-time high after the COVID-19 pandemic. Across various categories of loans, including subprime lending, microcredit policies, and consumer loans, as well as rent and utilities, women are overrepresented as clients and managers, and are being enfolded into the system. *The Indebted Woman* discusses the crucial yet invisible roles poor women play in making and consolidating debt and credit markets. The authors find that paying off debts requires labor, frequently involves sexual transactions, and shapes women’s bodies and subjectivities. Bringing together ethnography, statistical surveys, and financial diaries, they offer for the first time a comprehensive theory for this sexual division of debt, exposing the ways capitalism transforms womanhood, and how this transformation fuels capitalism.

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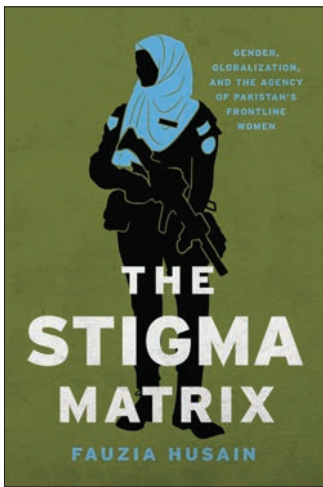


Traders and Tinkers
Bazaars in the Global Economy
Maitrayee Deka

The term “tinker” calls to mind nomadic medieval vendors who operate on the fringe of formal society. Excluded from elite circles and characterized by an ability to leverage minimal resources, these tradesmen live and die by their ability to adapt their stores to popular tastes. In Delhi in the 21st century, an extensive network of informal marketplaces, or bazaars, have evolved over the course of the city’s history, across colonial and postcolonial regimes.

This book offers a deep ethnography of three Delhi bazaars, and a cast of tinkers, traders, magicians, street performers, and hackers who work there. It is an exploration, and recognition, of the role of bazaars and tinkers in the modern global economy, driving globalization from below. In Delhi, and across the world, bazaars work to create a new information society, as the global popular classes aspire to elite consumer goods they cannot afford except in counterfeit.

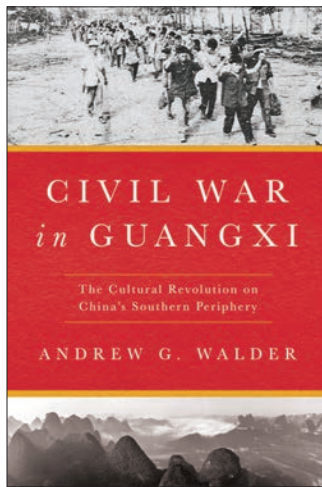
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The Stigma Matrix
*Gender, Globalization, and
the Agency of Pakistan's
Frontline Women*
Fauzia Husain

As developing states adopt neoliberal policies, more and more working-class women find themselves pulled into the public sphere. Their inclusion into the political economy is very beneficial for society, but is it also beneficial for women? In *The Stigma Matrix* Fauzia Husain draws on the experiences of policewomen, lady health workers, and airline attendants, all frontline workers who help the Pakistani state, and its global allies, address, surveil, and discipline veiled women citizens. These women, she finds, confront a stigma matrix: a complex of local and global, historic, and contemporary factors that work together to complicate women's integration into public life. This book shows that both stigma and agency are made up of multiple layers of meaning, and are entangled with elite projects of hegemony.

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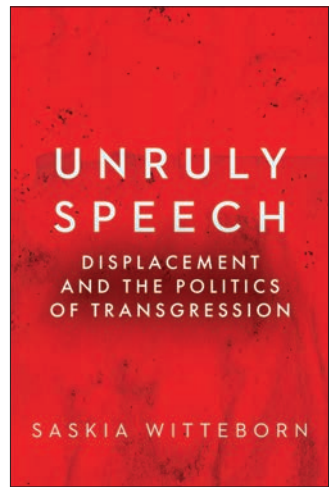


Civil War in Guangxi
*The Cultural Revolution on
China's Southern Periphery*
Andrew G. Walder

Guangxi, a region on China's southern border with Vietnam, has a large population of ethnic minorities and a history of rebellion and intergroup conflict. In the summer of 1968, during the high tide of the Cultural Revolution, it became notorious as the site of the most severe and extensive violence observed anywhere in China. Several cities saw urban combat resembling civil war, while waves of mass killings in rural communities generated enormous death tolls. More than one hundred thousand died in a few short months.

With evidence from a vast collection of classified materials compiled during an investigation by the Chinese government in the 1980s, this book reveals mass killings as the byproduct of an intense top-down mobilization of rural militia against a stubborn factional insurgency. Moving methodically through the evidence, Andrew Walder provides a groundbreaking new analysis of one the most shocking chapters of the Cultural Revolution.

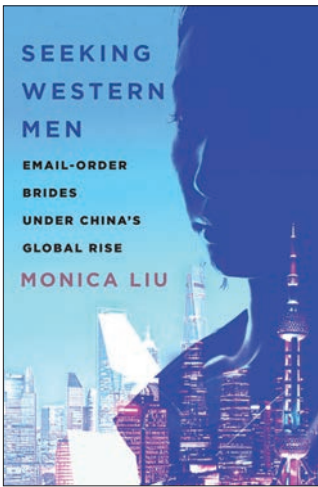
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Unruly Speech
*Displacement and the Politics
of Transgression*
Saskia Witteborn

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.

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Seeking Western Men

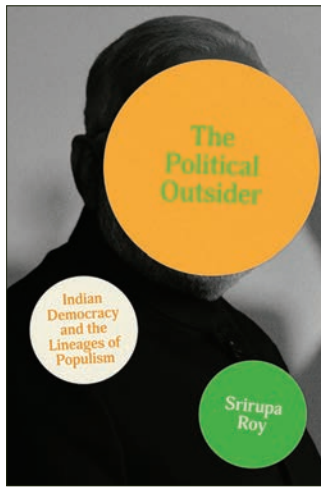
Email-Order Brides under China's Global Rise
Monica Liu

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 China shape 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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The Political Outsider

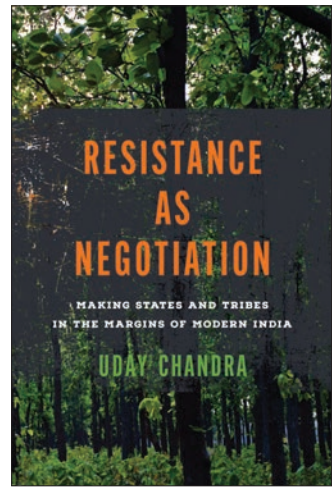
Indian Democracy and the Lineages of Populism
Srirupa Roy

Defying the dire predictions that attended its birth as an independent nation-state in 1947, the Indian republic is more than seventy-five years old. And yet, it is a place where criticisms of actually existing democracy are intense and strident. The populist language of redemptive outsiders pledging to combat a corrupt system has been harnessed in successful electoral campaigns, like the one that brought Narendra Modi's majoritarian regime to power in 2014.

Tracking the shift from postcolonial nation-building to democracy-rebuilding, Srirupa Roy shows how the political outsider came to be a valorized figure of late-twentieth century Indian democracy. By tracing the crooked line that connects the ideals of democracy and the political outsider to the populist antipolitics and strongman authoritarian rule in present times, this book revisits democracy *from* India, and asks what the Indian experience tells us about the trajectory of global democratic politics.

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Resistance as Negotiation

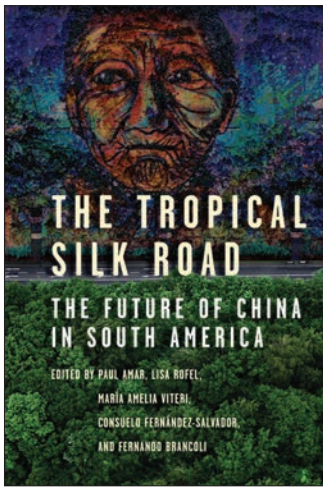
Making States and Tribes in the Margins of Modern India
Uday Chandra

"Tribes" appear worldwide today as vestiges of a pre-modern past at odds with the workings of modern states. Tribal resistance and rebellion are held to be tragic yet heroic political acts by "subaltern" groups confronting omnipotent states. By contrast, this book draws on fifteen years of archival and ethnographic research to argue that statemaking is intertwined inextricably with the politics of tribal resistance in the margins of modern India.

Uday Chandra demonstrates how the modern Indian state and its tribal or adivasi subjects have made and remade each other throughout the colonial and postcolonial eras, historical processes of modern statemaking shaping and being shaped by myriad forms of resistance by tribal subjects. Accordingly, tribal resistance is better understood vis-à-vis negotiations with the modern state, rather than its negation. Ultimately, the empirical material unearthed in this book requires rethinking and rewriting the political history of modern India from its "tribal" margins.

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The Tropical Silk Road

The Future of China in South America

Edited by Paul Amar, Lisa Rofel, Maria Amelia Viteri, Consuelo Fernández-Salvador, and Fernando Brancoli

This book captures an epochal juncture of two of the world's most transformative processes: the People's Republic of China's rapidly expanding sphere of influence across the global south and the disintegration of the Amazonian, Cerrado, and Andean biomes. 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, to offer a pathbreaking analysis of China's presence in South America. As cracks in the progressive legacy of the Pink Tide and the failures of ecodical right-wing populisms shape new geopolitical possibilities, this book provides a grassroots based account of a post-US centered world order, and an accompanying map of the stakes for South America that highlights forms of resistance.

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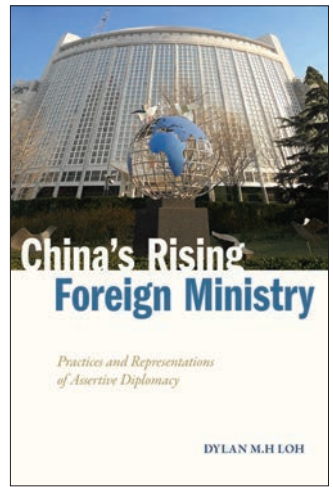
An Inside Look at North Korea's Nuclear Program

Siegfried S. Hecker, with Elliot A. Serbin

How did North Korea—one of the most isolated in the world and in the policy cross hairs of every U.S. administration during the past 30 years—progress from zero nuclear weapons in 2001 to a threatening arsenal of perhaps 50 such weapons in 2021?

Hinge Points brings readers literally inside the North Korean nuclear program, joining Siegfried Hecker to see what he saw and hear what he heard in his visits to North Korea from 2004 to 2010. Hecker goes beyond the technical details to put the nuclear program exactly where it belongs, in the context of decades of fateful foreign policy decisions in Pyongyang and Washington. Describing these decisions as “hinge points,” he traces the consequences of opportunities missed by both sides. Hecker draws on his unmatched breadth of experience to view and interpret the thinking and perspective of the North Koreans.

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China's Rising Foreign Ministry

Practices and Representations of Assertive Diplomacy

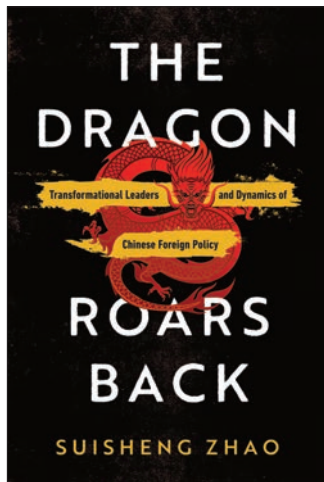
Dylan M.H. Loh

In *China's Rising Foreign Ministry*, Dylan M.H. Loh upends conventional understandings of Chinese diplomacy. The book explains how China's Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MOFA) gradually became the main interface of China's foreign policy and the primary vehicle through which the idea of ‘China’ is represented on the world stage. Through multi-year and multi-sited fieldwork study of China's MOFA, Loh investigates the practices and experiences of the actors that produce diplomacy and documents the ministry's evolution into one of the most significant institutions in China's rise.

A theoretically innovative and ambitious book that sheds light on the dynamics of Chinese diplomacy and how assertiveness is constructed, Loh provides readers with a comprehensive appraisal of China's foreign ministry and the role it performs in China's re-emergence.

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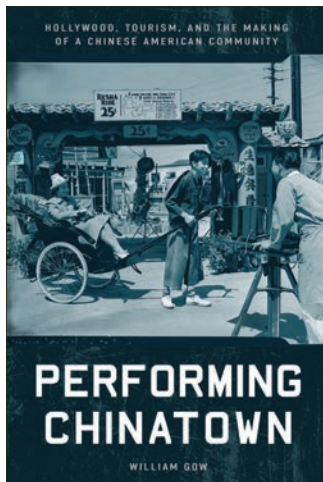


The Dragon Roars Back
Transformational Leaders and Dynamics of Chinese Foreign Policy
Suisheng Zhao

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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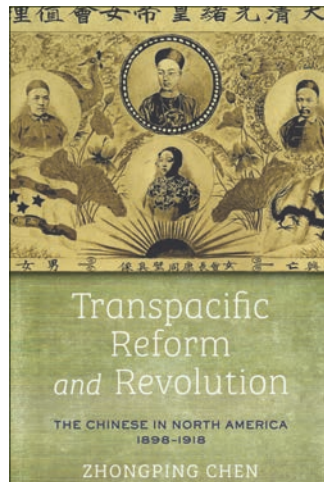


Performing Chinatown
Hollywood, Tourism, and the Making of a Chinese American Community
William Gow

In 1938, China City opened near downtown Los Angeles. Featuring a recreation of the House of Wang set from MGM's *The Good Earth*, this new Chinatown employed many of the same Chinese Americans who performed as background extras in the 1937 film. In *Performing Chinatown*, historian William Gow argues that Chinese Americans in Los Angeles used these performances in Hollywood films and in Chinatown for tourists to shape widely held understandings of race and national belonging during this pivotal chapter in U.S. history.

Drawing on more than 40 oral history interviews as well as research in more than a dozen archival and family collections, this book retells the long-overlooked history of the ways that Los Angeles Chinatown shaped Hollywood and how Hollywood, in turn, shaped perceptions of Asian American identity.

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Transpacific Reform and Revolution
The Chinese in North America, 1898-1918
Zhongping Chen

This book uses rich archival sources to examine how reform and revolution in North American Chinatowns influenced political change in China and the transpacific Chinese diaspora. Zhongping Chen focuses on the transnational activities of Kang Youwei, Sun Yat-sen, and other politicians, especially their mobilization of the Chinese in North America to join reformist or revolutionary parties in patriotic fights for a Western-style constitutional monarchy or republic in China. Through network analysis of the origins, interrelations, and influences of Chinese reform and revolution in North America, Chen makes a significant contribution to modern Chinese history, Asian American and Asian Canadian history, and Chinese diasporic scholarship.

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