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Edited by **DON SHARE** and **CHRISTIAN WIMAN**

# The Open Door

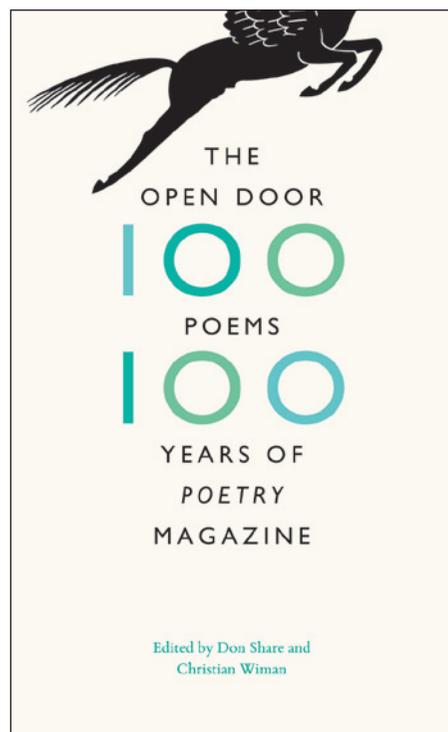
## One Hundred Poems, One Hundred Years of *Poetry* Magazine

When Harriet Monroe founded *Poetry* magazine in Chicago in 1912, she began with an image: the Open Door. “May the great poet we are looking for never find it shut, or half-shut, against his ample genius!” For a century, the most important and enduring poets have walked through that door—William Carlos Williams and Wallace Stevens in its first years, Rae Armantrout and Kay Ryan in 2011. And at the same time, *Poetry* continues to discover the new voices who will be read a century from now.

*Poetry*’s archives are incomparable, and to celebrate the magazine’s centennial, editors Don Share and Christian Wiman combed them to create a new kind of anthology, energized by the self-imposed limitation to one hundred poems. Rather than attempting to be exhaustive or definitive—or even to offer the most familiar works—they have assembled a collection of poems that, in their juxtaposition, echo across a century of poetry. Adrienne Rich appears alongside Charles Bukowski; poems by Isaac Rosenberg and Randall Jarrell on the two world wars flank a devastating Vietnam War poem by the lesser-known George Starbuck; August Kleinzahler’s “The Hereafter” precedes “Pru-frock,” casting Eliot’s masterpiece in a new light. Short extracts from *Poetry*’s letters and criticism punctuate the verse selections, hinting at themes and threads and serving as guides, interlocutors, or dissenting voices.

The resulting volume is an anthology like no other, a celebration of idiosyncrasy and invention, a vital monument to an institution that refuses to be static, and, most of all, a book that lovers of poetry will devour, debate, and keep close at hand.

**Don Share** is a poet and the author, editor, or translator of numerous books. **Christian Wiman** is the author of three books of poetry and a volume of essays. Together they edit *Poetry* magazine.

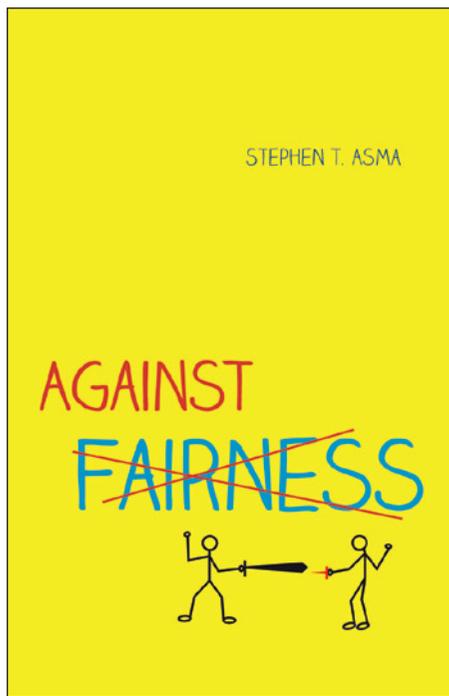


**“The histories of modern poetry and of *Poetry* in America are almost interchangeable, certainly inseparable.”**

**—A. R. Ammons**

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STEPHEN T. ASMA

# Against Fairness

From the school yard to the workplace, there's no charge more damning than "You're being *unfair!*" Born out of democracy and raised in open markets, fairness has become our de facto modern creed. The very symbol of American ethics—Lady Justice—wears a blindfold as she weighs the law on her impartial scale. In our zealous pursuit of fairness, we have banished our urges to like one person more than another, one thing over another, hiding them away as dirty secrets of our humanity. In *Against Fairness*, polymath philosopher Stephen T. Asma drags them triumphantly back into the light. Through playful, witty, but always serious arguments and examples, he vindicates our unspoken and undeniable instinct to favor, making the case that we would all be better off if we showed our unfair tendencies a little more kindness—indeed, if we favored favoritism.

Asma makes his point by synthesizing a startling array of scientific findings, historical philosophies, cultural practices, analytic arguments, and a variety of personal and literary narratives to give a remarkably nuanced and thorough understanding of how fairness and favoritism fit within our moral architecture. Examining everything from the survival-enhancing biochemistry that makes our mothers love us to the motivating properties of our "affective community," he not only shows *how* we favor but the reasons we *should*. Drawing on thinkers from Confucius to Tocqueville to Nietzsche, he reveals how we have confused fairness with more noble traits, like compassion and open-mindedness. He dismantles a number of seemingly egalitarian pursuits, from classwide Valentine's Day cards to civil rights, to reveal the envy that lies at their hearts, going on to prove that we can still be kind to strangers, have no prejudice, and fight for equal *opportunity* at the same time we reserve the best of what we can offer for those dearest to us.

*Against Fairness* resets our moral compass with favoritism as its lodestar, providing a strikingly new and remarkably positive way to think through all our actions, big and small.

**Stephen T. Asma** is a distinguished scholar and professor of philosophy in the Department of Humanities, as well as a fellow of the Research Group in Mind, Science, and Culture at Columbia College Chicago. He is the author of several books, including *On Monsters, Stuffed Animals and Pickled Heads*, and *Following Form and Function*.

**"Against Fairness is a terrific book. Stephen T. Asma goes a long way toward convincing readers of a challenging argument. Engagingly written, it avoids the ponderousness that so often characterizes work in philosophy, and I would recommend it to anyone who seems excessively committed to 'fairness' as the *sine qua non* of just policy."**

**—Barry Schwartz,**  
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JESSICA PIERCE

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# The Last Walk

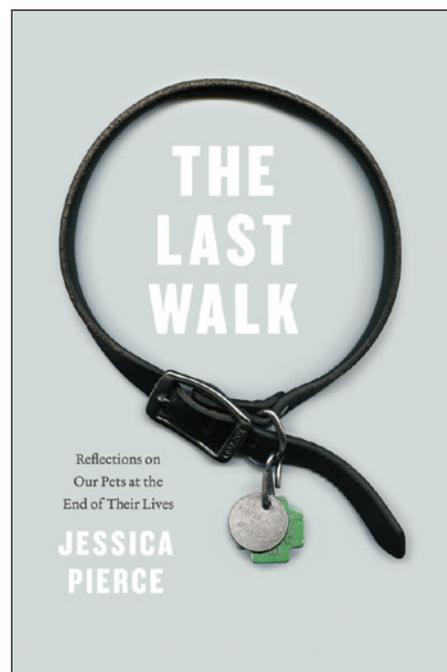
## Reflections on Our Pets at the End of Their Lives

From the moment when we first open our homes—and our hearts—to a new pet, we know that one day we will have to watch this beloved animal age and die. The pain of that eventual separation is the cruel corollary to the love we share with them, and most of us deal with it by simply ignoring its inevitability.

With *The Last Walk*, Jessica Pierce makes a forceful case that our pets, and the love we bear them, deserve better. Drawing on the moving story of the last year of the life of her own treasured dog, Ody, she presents an in-depth exploration of the practical, medical, and moral issues that trouble pet owners confronted with the decline and death of their companion animals. Pierce combines heart-wrenching personal stories, interviews, and scientific research to consider a wide range of questions about animal aging, end-of-life care, and death. She tackles such vexing questions as whether animals are aware of death, whether they're feeling pain, and if and when euthanasia is appropriate. Given what we know and can learn, how should we best honor the lives of our pets, both while they live and after they have left us?

The product of a lifetime of loving pets, studying philosophy, and collaborating with scientists at the forefront of the study of animal behavior and cognition, *The Last Walk* asks—and answers—the toughest questions pet owners face. The result is informative, moving, and consoling in equal parts; no pet lover should miss it.

**Jessica Pierce** is a bioethicist and coauthor of *Wild Justice: The Moral Lives of Animals*.



**“Decisions about how to treat an animal toward the end of her or his life are among the most difficult we have to make, and it’s our responsibility to do the best we can. Our companions trust that we will have their best interests in mind. In *The Last Walk*, Jessica Pierce considers all of the hard questions about sick and old animals. She seamlessly weaves in personal stories with scientific research to provide readers with an incredibly valuable guide—a must read—about when and how to end an animal’s life in the most humane way possible. I learned a lot from reading this book, and I know others will as well.”**

**—Marc Bekoff,  
author of *The Emotional Lives of Animals***

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PETS

“As the flora and fauna of the surface are examined more closely, the interlocking mechanisms of life are emerging in ever-greater and more surprising detail. In time we will come fully to appreciate the magnificent little ecosystems that have fallen under our stewardship.”

—E. O. Wilson,  
from the Foreword

DAVID LIITTSCHWAGER

# A World in One Cubic Foot

Portraits of Biodiversity

*With a Foreword by E. O. Wilson*

**T**welve inches by twelve inches by twelve inches, the cubic foot is a relatively tiny unit of measure compared to the whole world. With every step, we disturb and move through cubic foot after cubic foot. But behold the cubic foot in nature—from coral reefs to cloud forests to tidal pools—even in that finite space you can see the multitude of creatures that make up a vibrant ecosystem.

For *A World in One Cubic Foot*, esteemed nature photographer David Liittschwager took a bright green metal cube—measuring precisely one cubic foot—and set it in various ecosystems around the world, from Costa Rica to Central Park. Working with local scientists, he measured what moved through that small space in a period of twenty-four hours. He then photographed the cube’s setting and the plant, animal, and insect life inside it—anything visible to the naked eye. The result is a stunning portrait of the amazing diversity that can be found in ecosystems around the globe. Many organisms captured in Liittschwager’s photographs have rarely, if ever, been presented in their full splendor to the general reader, and the singular beauty of these images evocatively conveys the richness of life around us and the essential need for its conservation. The breathtaking images are

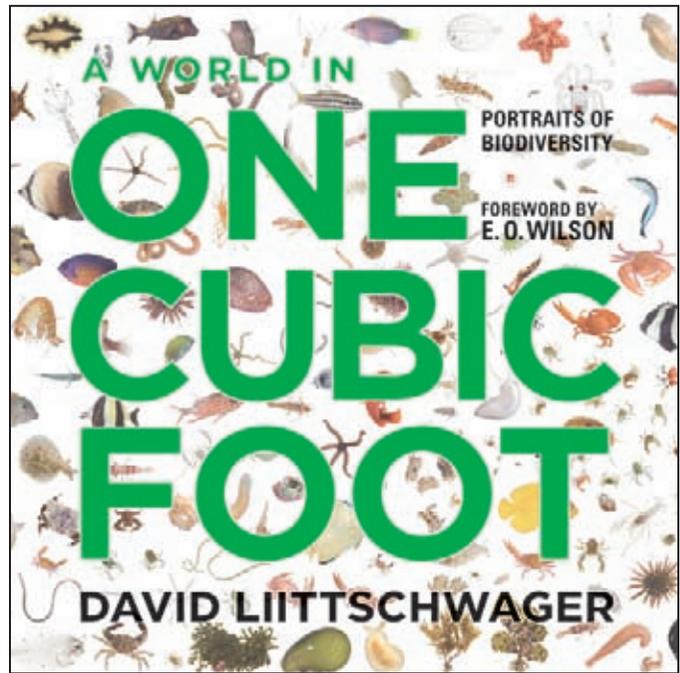
accompanied by equally engaging essays that speak to both the landscapes and the worlds contained within them, from distinguished contributors such as Elizabeth Kolbert and Alan Huffman, in addition to a foreword by E. O. Wilson. After encountering this book, you will never look at the tiniest sliver of your own backyard or neighborhood park the same way; instead, you will be stunned by the unexpected variety of species found in an area so small.



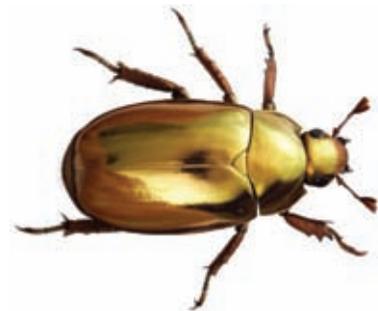
## A small world awaits exploration.

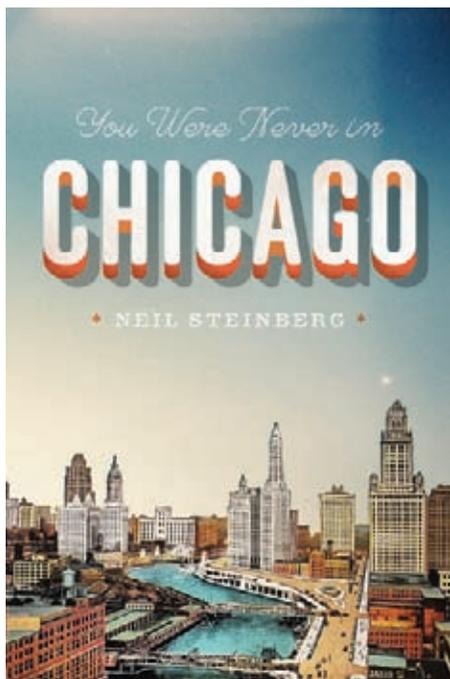
*A World in One Cubic Foot* puts the world accessibly in our hands and allows us to behold the magic of an ecosystem in miniature. Liittschwager's awe-inspiring photographs take us to places both familiar and exotic and instill new awareness of the life that abounds all around.

**David Liittschwager** is a freelance photographer and a contributor to *National Geographic* and other magazines. His work has been exhibited at such institutions as the California Academy of Sciences and the American Museum of Natural History. He is the author of *Skulls* and coauthor of *Archipelago: Portraits of Life in the World's Most Remote Island Sanctuary*, *Remains of a Rainbow: Rare Plants and Animals of Hawaii*, and *Witness: Endangered Species of North America*. Liittschwager also lectures and shows his work around the world in both fine art and natural history contexts.



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**“In this wonderful book, Neil Steinberg weaves a poetic mosaic of his life and the life of Chicago—past, present, real, imagined. Like many of its citizens, he came here from elsewhere, drawn by its brawny allure. He lives in Chicago and Chicago lives in him.”**

**—Roger Ebert**

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## NEIL STEINBERG

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# You Were Never in Chicago

In 1952 the *New Yorker* published a three-part essay by A. J. Liebling in which he dubbed Chicago the Second City. From garbage collection to the skyline, nothing escaped Liebling’s withering gaze. Among the outraged responses from Chicago residents was one that Liebling described as the apotheosis of such criticism: a postcard that read, simply, “You were never in Chicago.”

Neil Steinberg has lived in and around Chicago for more than three decades—ever since he left his hometown of Berea, Ohio, to attend Northwestern University—yet he remains fascinated by the dynamics captured in Liebling’s anecdote. In *You Were Never in Chicago* Steinberg weaves the story of his own coming-of-age as a young outsider who made his way into the inner circles and upper levels of Chicago journalism with a nuanced portrait of the city that will surprise even lifelong residents.

Steinberg takes readers through Chicago’s vanishing industrial past and explores the city from such vantages as the quaint skybridge between the towers of the Wrigley Building and the depths of the vast Deep Tunnel system below the streets. He deftly explains the city’s complex web of political favoritism and carefully profiles the characters he meets along the way, from greats of jazz and journalism to small-business owners just getting by. Throughout, Steinberg never loses the curiosity and close observation of an outsider, while thoughtfully considering how this perspective has shaped the city, and what it really means to belong.

Intimate and layered, *You Were Never in Chicago* will be a welcome addition to the bookshelves of all Chicagoans—be they born in the city or forever transplanted.

**Neil Steinberg** is a columnist for the *Chicago Sun-Times*, where he has been on staff since 1987. He is the author of seven books, including *Drunkard: A Hard-Drinking Life* and *Hatless Jack: The President, the Fedora, and the History of American Style*.

CARLO ROTELLA

# Playing in Time

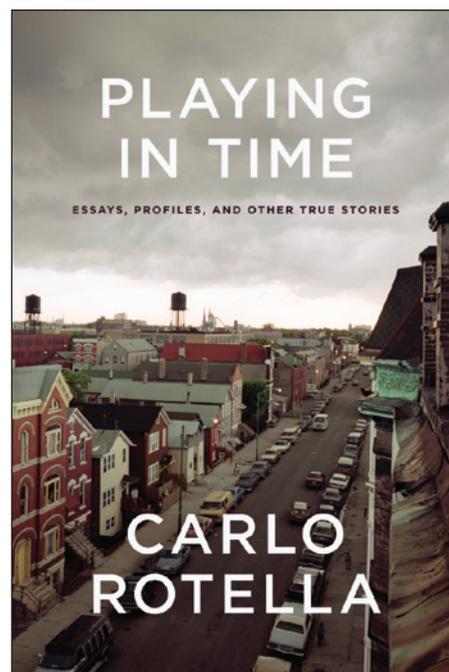
## Essays, Profiles, and Other True Stories

From jazz fantasy camp to running a movie studio; from a fight between an old guy and a fat guy to a fear of clowns—Carlo Rotella's *Playing in Time* delivers good stories full of vivid characters, all told with the unique voice and humor that have garnered him devoted readers in the *New York Times Magazine*, *Boston Globe*, and *Washington Post Magazine*, among others. The two dozen essays in *Playing in Time* revolve around the themes and obsessions that have characterized Rotella's writing from the start: boxing, music, writers, and cities. "Playing in time" refers to how people make beauty and meaning while working within the constraints and limits forced on them by life, and in his writing Rotella transforms the craft and beauty he so admires in others into an art of his own.

Rotella is best known for his writings on boxing, and his essays here do not disappoint. It's a topic that he turns to for its colorful characters, compelling settings, and formidable life lessons both in and out of the ring. He gives us tales of an older boxer who keeps unretiring and a welterweight who is "about as rich and famous as a 147-pound fighter can get these days," and a hilarious rumination on why Muhammad Ali's phrase "I am the greatest" began appearing (in the mouth of Epeus) in translations of the *Iliad* around 1987. His essays on blues, crime and science fiction writers, and urban spaces are equally engaging, combining an artist's eye for detail with a scholar's sense of research, whether taking us to visit detective writer George Pelecanos or to dance with the proprietress of the Baby Doll Polka Club in Chicago.

Rotella's essays are always smart, frequently funny, and consistently surprising. This collection will be welcomed by his many fans and will bring his inimitable style and approach to an even wider audience.

**Carlo Rotella** is the author of *Good with Their Hands: Boxers, Bluesmen, and Other Characters from the Rust Belt* and *Cut Time: An Education at the Fights*, among other books. He writes regularly for the *New York Times Magazine*, *Washington Post Magazine*, and *Boston Globe*, and he is a commentator for WGBH FM in Boston.

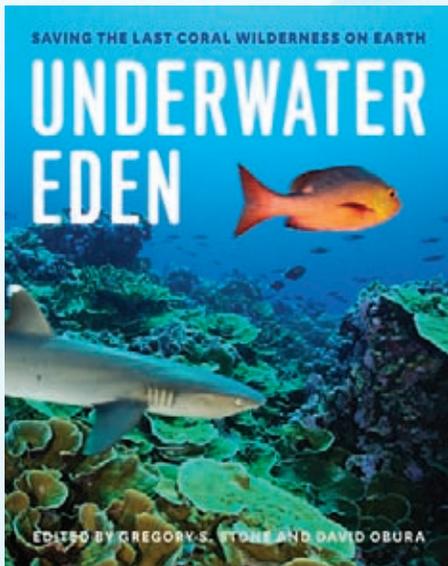


**"Carlo Rotella is an old-fashioned journalist in the best sense of the term: he doesn't just visit the people and places he writes about, he inhabits them. His articles and essays are models of empathy and understanding. And because he is a man who appreciates craft—the craft of boxers, fencers, musicians, and clowns—his own work always strikes the right celebratory note, the one that ends with just the slightest inflection of melancholy—which, unparadoxically, is what makes his work a pleasure to read."**

—Arthur Krystal

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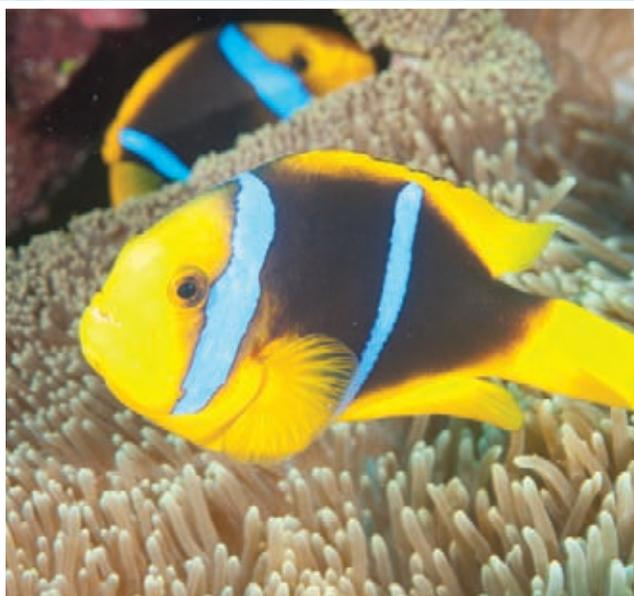
Edited by **GREGORY S. STONE**  
and **DAVID OBUA**

# Underwater Eden

## Saving the Last Coral Wilderness on Earth

It was the first time I'd seen what the ocean may have looked like thousands of years ago." That's conservation scientist Gregory S. Stone talking about his initial dive among the corals and sea life surrounding the Phoenix Islands in the South Pacific. Worldwide, the oceans are suffering. Corals are dying off at an alarming rate, victims of ocean warming and acidification—and their loss threatens more than 25 percent of all fish species, who depend on the food and shelter found in coral habitats. Yet in the waters off the Phoenix Islands, the corals were healthy, the fish populations pristine and abundant—and Stone and his companion on the dive, coral expert David Obura, determined that they were going to try their best to keep it that way.

*Underwater Eden* tells the story of how they succeeded, against great odds, in making that dream come true, with the establishment in 2010 of the Phoenix Islands Protected Area (PIPA). It's a story of cutting-edge science, fierce commitment, and innovative partnerships rooted in a determination to find common ground among conservationists, business interests, and governments—all backed up by hard-headed economic analysis.



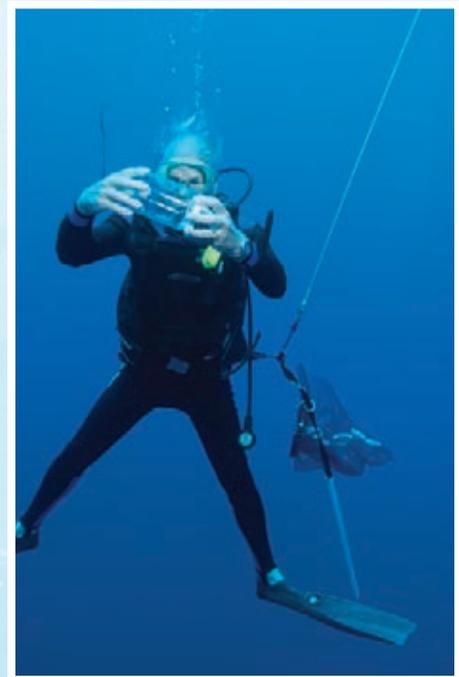
# *Underwater Eden* is sure to enchant any ocean lover, whether ecotourist or armchair scuba diver.

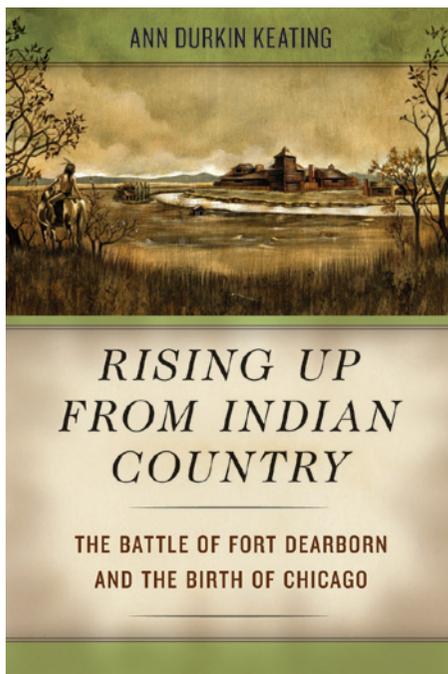
Creating the world's largest (and deepest) UNESCO World Heritage Site was by no means easy or straightforward. *Underwater Eden* takes us from the initial dive, through four major scientific expeditions and planning meetings over the course of a decade, to high-level negotiations with the government of Kiribati—a small island nation dependent on the revenue from the surrounding fisheries. How could the people of Kiribati, and the fishing industry its waters supported, be compensated for the substantial income they would be giving up in favor of posterity? And how could this previously little-known wilderness be transformed into one of the highest-profile international conservation priorities?

Step by step, conservation and its priorities won over the doubters, and *Underwater Eden* is the stunningly illustrated record of what was saved. Each chapter reveals—with eye-popping photographs—a different aspect of the science and conservation of the underwater and terrestrial life found in and around the Phoenix Islands' coral reefs. Written by scientists, politicians, and journalists who have been involved in the conservation efforts since the beginning, the chapters brim with excitement, wonder, and confidence—tempered with realism and full of lessons that the success of PIPA offers for other ambitious conservation projects worldwide.

Simultaneously an ode to the diversity, resilience, and importance of the oceans and a riveting account of how conservation really can succeed against the toughest obstacles. *Underwater Eden* is sure to enchant any ocean lover, whether ecotourist or armchair scuba diver.

**Gregory S. Stone** is senior vice president and chief scientist for oceans at Conservation International. He is the author of three books, including *Ice Island: The Expedition to Antarctica's Largest Iceberg*. **David Obura** is founding director of the nonprofit research organization CORDIO. He is based in East Africa and works on coral reef research and conservation in the Indian and Pacific Oceans.





**“Ann Durkin Keating has taken on the least explored area of Chicago history—its raucous beginnings—and brought it magnificently to life. The book is a landmark work, deeply researched and vividly written.”**

**—Donald L. Miller,  
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# Rising Up from Indian Country

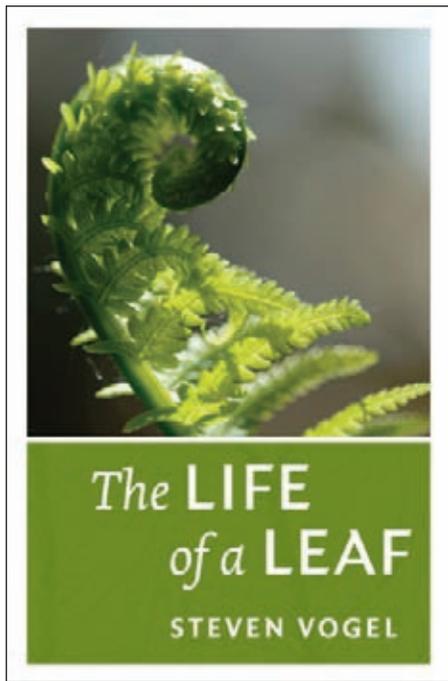
## The Battle of Fort Dearborn and the Birth of Chicago

In August 1812, under threat from the Potawatomi, Captain Nathan Heald began the evacuation of ninety-four people from the isolated outpost of Fort Dearborn to Fort Wayne, hundreds of miles away. The group included several dozen soldiers, as well as nine women and eighteen children. After traveling only a mile and a half, they were attacked by five hundred Potawatomi warriors. In under an hour, fifty-two members of Heald’s party were killed, and the rest were taken prisoner; the Potawatomi then burned Fort Dearborn before returning to their villages.

These events are now seen as a foundational moment in Chicago’s storied past. With *Rising Up from Indian Country*, noted historian Ann Durkin Keating richly recounts the Battle of Fort Dearborn while situating it within the context of several wider histories that span the nearly four decades between the 1795 Treaty of Greenville, in which Native Americans gave up a square mile at the mouth of the Chicago River, and the 1833 Treaty of Chicago, in which the American government and the Potawatomi exchanged five million acres of land west of the Mississippi River for a tract of the same size in northeastern Illinois and southeastern Wisconsin.

In the first book devoted entirely to this crucial period, Keating tells a story not only of military conquest but of the lives of people on all sides of the conflict. She highlights such figures as Jean Baptiste Point de Sable and John Kinzie and demonstrates that early Chicago was a place of cross-cultural reliance among the French, the Americans, and the Native Americans. Published to commemorate the bicentennial of the Battle of Fort Dearborn, this gripping account of the birth of Chicago will become required reading for anyone seeking to understand the city and its complex origins.

**Ann Durkin Keating** is professor of history at North Central College in Naperville, Illinois. She is coeditor of *The Encyclopedia of Chicago* and the author of several books, including *Chicagoland: City and Suburbs in the Railroad Age* and *Chicago Neighborhoods and Suburbs: A Historical Guide*.



**STEVEN VOGEL**

# The Life of a Leaf

In its essence, science is a way of looking at and thinking about the world. In *The Life of a Leaf*, Steven Vogel illuminates this approach, using the humble leaf as a model. Whether plant or person, every organism must contend with its immediate physical environment, a world that both limits what organisms can do and offers innumerable opportunities for evolving fascinating ways of challenging those limits. Here, Vogel explores through the example of the leaf the extraordinary designs that enable life to adapt to its physical world.

In Vogel's account, the leaf serves as a biological everyman, an ordinary and ubiquitous living thing that nonetheless speaks volumes about our environment as well as its own. Thus in exploring the leaf's world, Vogel simultaneously explores our own—answering questions about how objects get much hotter than air when in sunlight and far cooler when beneath a clear night sky, how air movement matters even when we can't feel it, how objects such as trees avoid damage from storms, and how gases diffuse and bubbles form. He introduces us to ways leaves acquire the essential resources needed to grow and reproduce, resources not all that different from those needed by animals—humans included.

In considering science on our personal scale, Vogel refers complex concepts to everyday observations in our immediate experiences. Though the ideas he presents here hold surprises, he makes the case that they're quite ordinary—so ordinary that, with the instructions provided, anyone can investigate how they work with everyday household materials. Within these pages, he provides incredible food for thought and the tools for a new way of seeing the beauty and simplicity of the science of life.

**Steven Vogel** is a James B. Duke Professor Emeritus in biology at Duke University. His books include, most recently, *Glimpses of Creatures in Their Physical Worlds* and *Cats' Paws and Catapults*.

**"I am astounded by the breadth of the science that can be motivated by simple questions about a leaf or a tree. Refreshingly, the answers come from mechanics and engineering—not a DNA sequence in sight! An intelligent and highly readable introduction to important scientific principles in a familiar, human-sized context."**

**—Ian Stewart, author of  
*In Pursuit of the Unknown: 17 Equations  
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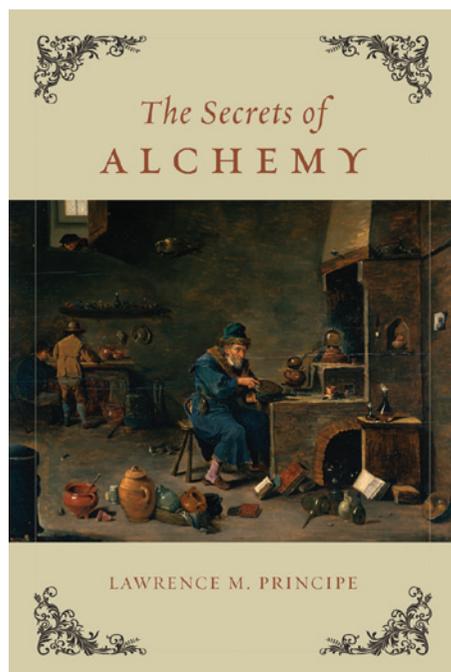
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NATURE SCIENCE



LAWRENCE M. PRINCIPE

# The Secrets of Alchemy

Alchemy, the “Noble Art,” conjures up scenes of mysterious, dimly lit laboratories populated with bearded old men stirring cauldrons. Though the history of alchemy is intricately linked to the history of chemistry, alchemy has nonetheless often been dismissed as the realm of myth and magic, or fraud and pseudoscience. And while its themes and ideas persist in some expected and unexpected places, from the Philosopher’s (or Sorcerer’s) Stone of Harry Potter to the self-help mantra of transformation, there has not been a serious, accessible, and up-to-date look at the complete history and influence of alchemy until now.

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A concise but illuminating history, *The Secrets of Alchemy* is written for anyone drawn to the alchemical arts, those who are fascinated by the science as well as the fantastic stories and mysterious practitioners.

**Lawrence M. Principe** is the Drew Professor of the Humanities in the Department of the History of Science and Technology at Johns Hopkins University. His books include *Alchemy Tried in the Fire: Starkey, Boyle, and the Fate of Helmontian Chymistry*, also published by the University of Chicago Press.

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HISTORY SCIENCE

BEATRIX HOFFMAN

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# Health Care for Some

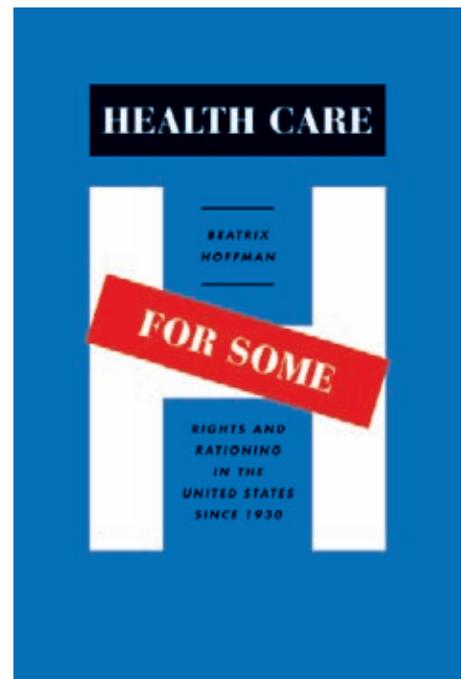
## Rights and Rationing in the United States since 1930

The 2010 Affordable Care Act (or Obamacare, as its detractors like to call it) is a sweeping reform to the US health care system. Despite the fact that nearly every other developed country in the world considers health care a right, the passage of the act in the United States was hard fought, due to a staunch and vocal opposition to universal health care among many American lawmakers. Why has the United States been so continually divided on this issue? In *Health Care for Some*, Beatrix Hoffman offers an explanation in the form of an engaging and in-depth look at America's long tradition of unequal access to health care.

Hoffman argues that two main features have characterized the US health system: a refusal to adopt a right to care and a particularly American type of rationing. *Health Care for Some* shows that the haphazard way the US system allocates medical services—using income, race, region, insurance coverage, and many other factors—is a disorganized, illogical, and powerful form of rationing. And unlike rationing in most countries, which is intended to keep costs down, rationing in the United States has actually led to increased costs, resulting in the most expensive health care system in the world. While most histories of US health care emphasize failed policy reforms, *Health Care for Some* looks at the system from the ground up in order to examine how rationing is experienced by ordinary Americans—from soldiers' pregnant wives to survivors of Hurricane Katrina—and consequently reveals how experiences of rationing have led to claims for a right to health care.

The story of the Affordable Care Act is still being written, and its ultimate success or failure has yet to be determined. To understand how we got here and what might be to come, you could have no better primer than *Health Care for Some*.

**Beatrix Hoffman** is associate professor in the Department of History at Northern Illinois University. She is the author of *The Wages of Sickness: The Politics of Health Insurance in Progressive America*.



**“In the American political debate, everybody condemns the notion of ‘rationing’ health care. But Beatrix Hoffman’s meticulous history shows that rationing—by income, age, employment, etc.—has been, and remains, a central element of America’s medical system. She demonstrates that our various attempts at reform over the decades have kept the rationing mechanisms firmly in place.”**

—T.R. Reid,  
author of *The Healing of America: A Global Quest for Better, Cheaper, and Fairer Health Care*

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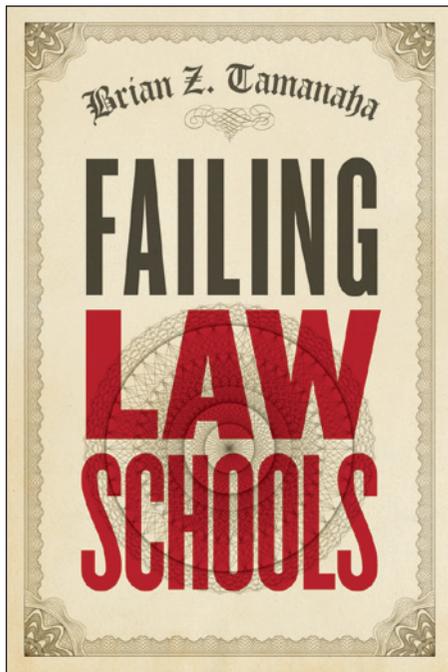
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**BRIAN Z. TAMANAHA**

# Failing Law Schools

On the surface, law schools today are thriving. Enrollments are on the rise, and their resources are often the envy of every other university department. Law professors are among the highest paid and play key roles as public intellectuals, advisors, and government officials. Yet behind the flourishing façade, law schools are failing abjectly. Recent front-page stories have detailed widespread dubious practices, including false reporting of LSAT scores and GPAs, misleading placement reports, and the fundamental failure to prepare graduates to enter the profession.

Addressing all these problems and more in a ringing critique is renowned legal scholar Brian Z. Tamanaha. Piece by piece, Tamanaha lays out the how and why of the crisis and the likely consequences if the current trend continues. The out-of-pocket cost of obtaining a law degree at many schools now approaches \$200,000. The average law school graduate's debt is around \$100,000—the highest it has ever been—while the legal job market is the worst in decades, with the scarce jobs offering starting salaries well below what is needed to handle such a debt load. At the heart of the problem, Tamanaha argues, are the economic demands and competitive pressures on law schools—driven by competition over *U.S. News and World Report* ranking. When paired with a lack of regulatory oversight, the work environment of professors, the limited information available to prospective students, and loan-based tuition financing, the result is a system that is fundamentally unsustainable.

Growing concern with the crisis in legal education has led to high-profile coverage at the *Wall Street Journal* and the *New York Times*, and many observers expect it soon will be the focus of congressional scrutiny. Bringing to the table his years of experience from within the legal academy, Tamanaha has provided the perfect resource for assessing what's wrong with law schools and figuring out how to fix them.

**Brian Z. Tamanaha** is the William Gardiner Hammond Professor of Law at the Washington University School of Law and the author of six books, including *A General Jurisprudence of Law and Society*, *Law as a Means to an End*, and *Beyond the Formalist-Realist Divide*.

**“Even those who disagree with Brian Z. Tamanaha and challenge his analyses will be participating in a conversation shaped by his contentions. *Failing Law Schools* presents a comprehensive case for the negative side of the legal education debate, and I am sure that many legal academics and every law school dean will be talking about it.”**

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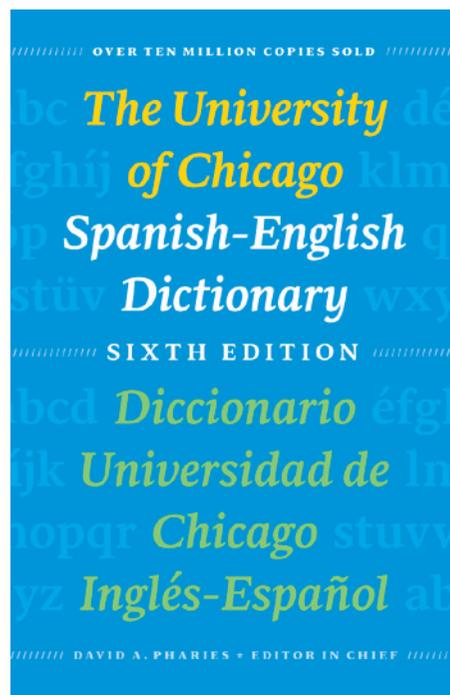
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**David A. Pharies** is associate dean for humanities in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences and professor of Spanish at the University of Florida. He is the author of *A Brief History of the Spanish Language* and *Breve historia de la lengua española*, both published by the University of Chicago Press.



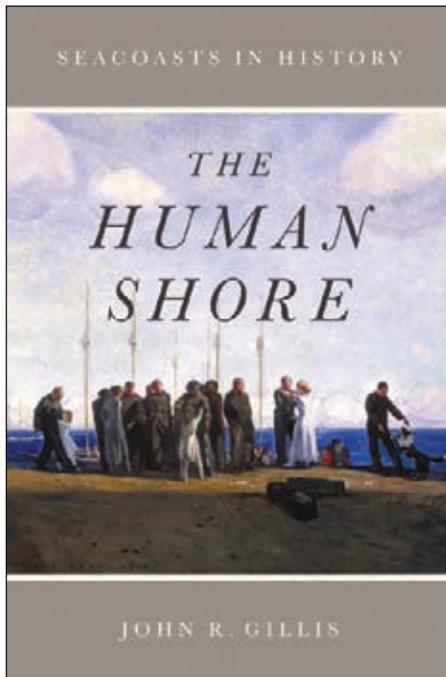
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“This new edition stresses the malleability of both the American version of English and the Latin American version of Spanish. . . . While the task of cataloguing regionalisms across Latin America is daunting, this dictionary does capture much of its slang, and even sometimes off-color usage, making the book as warm as its easygoing typeface.”

—*Publishers Weekly*

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**JOHN R. GILLIS**

# The Human Shore

## Seacoasts in History

Since before recorded history, people have congregated near water. But as growing populations around the globe continue to flow toward the coasts on an unprecedented scale and climate change raises water levels, our relationship to the sea has begun to take on new and potentially catastrophic dimensions. The latest generation of coastal dwellers lives largely in ignorance of the history of those who came before them, the natural environment, and the need to live sustainably on the world's shores. Humanity has forgotten how to live with the oceans.

In *The Human Shore*, a magisterial account of 100,000 years of seaside civilization, John R. Gillis recovers the coastal experience from its origins among the people who dwelled along the African shore to the bustle and glitz of today's megacities and beach resorts. He takes readers from discussion of the possible coastal location of the Garden of Eden to the ancient communities that have existed along beaches, bays, and bayous since the beginning of human society to the crucial role played by coasts during the age of discovery and empire. An account of the mass movement of whole populations to the coasts in the last half-century brings the story of coastal life into the present.

Along the way, Gillis addresses humankind's changing relationship to the sea from an environmental perspective, laying out the history of the making and remaking of coastal landscapes—the creation of ports, the draining of wetlands, the introduction and extinction of marine animals, and the invention of the beach—while giving us a global understanding of our relationship to the water. Learned and deeply personal, *The Human Shore* is more than a history: it is the story of a space that has been central to the attitudes, plans, and existence of those who live and dream at land's end.

**John R. Gillis** is the author of *Islands of the Mind; A World of Their Own Making: Myth, Ritual, and the Quest for Family Values*; and *Commemorations*. A professor of history emeritus at Rutgers University, he now divides his time between two coasts: Northern California and Maine.

**"In *The Human Shore*, John R. Gillis offers a sweeping analysis of coastal communities from the Old Testament to the Japanese tsunami. This inclusive and wide-ranging book will be read by those interested in the ocean edge either professionally or by avocation, and it will have a deep impact on those of us who teach about coasts. It is a pleasure to see the culture and science of our shores dovetailed into a history of such authority and grace. This will be required reading."**

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GABRIEL LEVIN

# The Dune's Twisted Edge

## Journeys in the Levant

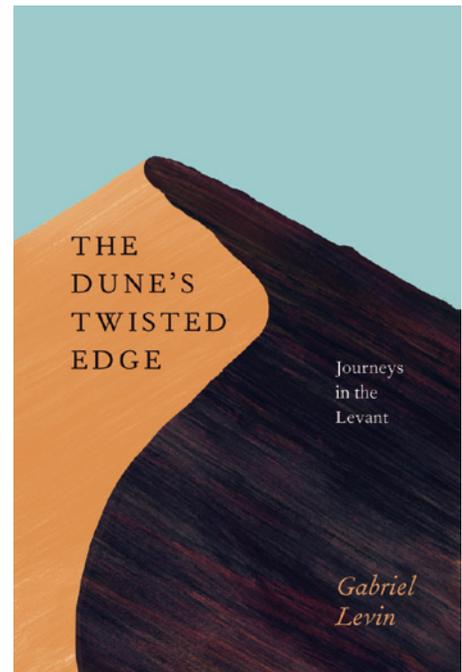
*"How to speak of the imaginative reach of a land habitually seen as a seedbed of faiths and heresies, confluences and ruptures . . . trouble spot and findspot, ruin and renewal, fault line and ragged clime, with a medley of people and languages once known with mingled affection and wariness as Levantine?"*

So begins poet Gabriel Levin in his journeys in the Levant, the exotic land that stands at the crossroads of western Asia, the eastern Mediterranean, and northeast Africa. Part travelogue, part field guide, and part literary appreciation, *The Dune's Twisted Edge* assembles six interlinked essays that explore the seaboard of the Levant and its deserts, bringing to life this enigmatic part of the world.

Striking out from his home in Jerusalem in search of a poetics of the Fertile Crescent, Levin probes the real and imaginative terrain of the Levant, a place that beckoned to him as a source of wonder and self-renewal. His footloose travels take him to the Jordan Valley; to Wadi Rumm south of Petra; to the semiarid Negev of modern-day Israel and its Bedouin villages; and, in his recounting of the origins of Arabic poetry, to the Empty Quarter of Arabia where the pre-Islamic poets once roamed. His meanderings lead to encounters with a host of literary presences: the wandering poet-prince Imru al-Qays, Byzantine empress Eudocia, British naturalist Henry Baker Tristram, Herman Melville making his way to the Dead Sea, and even New York avant-garde poet Frank O'Hara. When he is not confronting ghosts, Levin finds himself stumbling upon the traces of vanished civilizations. He discovers a ruined Umayyad palace on the outskirts of Jericho, the Greco-Roman hot springs near the Sea of Galilee, and Nabatean stick figures carved on stones in the sands of Jordan.

Vividly evoking the landscape, cultures, and poetry of this ancient region, *The Dune's Twisted Edge* celebrates the contested ground of the Middle East as a place of compound myths and identities.

**Gabriel Levin** is the author of four books of poems, most recently *To These Dark Steps*, and has published several collections in translation. He lives in Jerusalem.



**"Gabriel Levin offers a privileged glimpse into otherwise closed worlds, and he does this with brio, wit, and a gently ironic sensibility. Each essay in *The Dune's Twisted Edge* is distinctive and memorable, but taken together they form a compelling pattern that arises from Levin's strong affinity for landscape. This isn't only because he is so good at evoking the varied terrains in which he moves, but also because of the central and abiding insight of the book: that landscape and language are mysteriously conjoined."**

—Eric Ormsby,  
author of *Ghazali: The Revival of Islam*

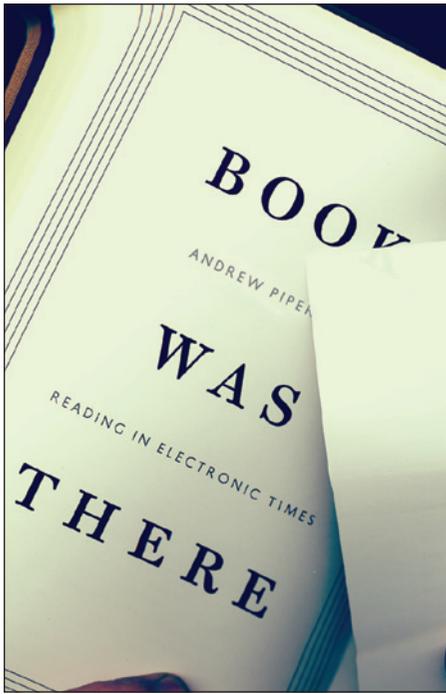
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**ANDREW PIPER**

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# Book Was There

## Reading in Electronic Times

Andrew Piper grew up liking books and loving computers. While occasionally burying his nose in books, he was going to computer camp, programming his Radio Shack TRS-80, and playing Pong. His eventual love of reading made him a historian of the book and a connoisseur of print, but as a card-carrying member of the first digital generation—and the father of two digital natives—he understands that we live in electronic times. *Book Was There* is Piper's surprising and always entertaining essay on reading in an e-reader world.

Much ink has been spilled lamenting or championing the decline of printed books, but Piper shows that the rich history of reading itself offers unexpected clues to what lies in store for books, print or digital. From medieval manuscript books to today's playable media and interactive urban fictions, Piper explores the manifold ways that physical media have shaped how we read, while also observing his own children as they face the struggles and triumphs of learning to read. In doing so, he uncovers the intimate connections we develop with our reading materials—how we hold them, look at them, share them, play with them, and even where we read them—and shows how reading is interwoven with our experiences in life. Piper reveals that reading's many identities, past and present, on page and on screen, are the key to helping us understand the kind of reading we care about and how new technologies will—and will not—change old habits.

Contending that our experience of reading belies naive generalizations about the future of books, *Book Was There* is an elegantly argued and thoroughly up-to-date tribute to the endurance of books in our ever-evolving digital world.

**Andrew Piper** teaches German and European literature at McGill University and is the author of *Dreaming in Books*, also published by the University of Chicago Press.

**“This is a deep and delightful performance, elucidating the multiple, shifting, overlapping ways that embodied persons interact with books. Like Walter Benjamin, Andrew Piper is able to filter vast learning through a distinctive writerly sensibility: whether he meditates on the computability of texts, the uses of handwriting, the faces of Facebook, or the varieties of annotation, he is a companionable and erudite guide. *Book Was There* is a book to return to: its provocations and illuminations multiply with each visit.”**

**—Alan Jacobs,  
author of *The Pleasures of Reading  
in an Age of Distraction***

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CHARLES MOLESWORTH

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# And Bid Him Sing

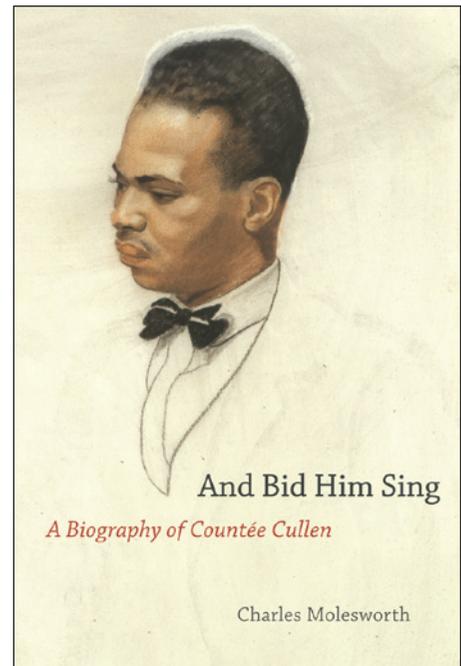
## A Biography of Countée Cullen

While competing with Langston Hughes for the title of “Poet Laureate of Harlem,” Countée Cullen (1903–46) crafted poems that became touchstones for American readers, both black and white. Inspired by classic themes and working within traditional forms, Cullen shaped his poetry to address universal questions like love, death, longing, and loss while also dealing with the issues of race and idealism that permeated the national conversation. Drawing on the poet’s unpublished correspondence with contemporaries and friends like Hughes, Claude McKay, Carl Van Vechten, Dorothy West, Charles S. Johnson, and Alain Locke, and presenting a unique interpretation of his poetic gifts, *And Bid Him Sing* is the first full-length critical biography of this famous American writer.

Despite his untimely death at the age of forty-two, Cullen left behind an extensive body of work. In addition to five books of poetry, he authored two much-loved children’s books and translated Euripides’s *Medea*, the first translation by an African American of a Greek tragedy. In these pages, Charles Molesworth explores the many ways that race, religion, and Cullen’s sexuality informed the work of one of the unquestioned stars of the Harlem Renaissance.

An authoritative work of biography that brings to life one of the chief voices of his generation, *And Bid Him Sing* returns to us one of America’s finest lyric poets in all of his complexity and musicality.

**Charles Molesworth** is coauthor of *Alain L. Locke: The Biography of a Philosopher* and the editor of *The Works of Alain Locke*. He writes a regular art column for the quarterly *Salmagundi*.



**“Meticulously researched and engagingly written, Charles Molesworth’s *And Bid Him Sing* is a carefully, sympathetically, and thoughtfully drawn biography of Countée Cullen. This book is an original, compelling, and important contribution to our understanding of the Harlem Renaissance. I strongly recommend it.”**

**—James A. Miller,  
George Washington University**

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**FRANZ SCHULZE and EDWARD WINDHORST**

# Mies van der Rohe

## A Critical Biography

*New and Revised Edition*

**M***ies van der Rohe: A Critical Biography* is a major rewriting and expansion of Franz Schulze's acclaimed 1985 biography, which was the first full treatment of the master architect and is still today considered the standard biography. In collaboration with architect Edward Windhorst, Schulze has revisited every page of the book and incorporated extensive new research on Mies, including many previously unpublished materials.

Schulze and Windhorst trace Mies's progress from traditionalist to radical modernist in his European period—where his work was often lavish but of modest scale—to his second maturity in the United States, where his architecture focused on the artistic expression of structure. Among the many discoveries uncovered by the authors for this edition is the extensive transcript of the 1953 Farnsworth House court case, which pitted him against his client, Edith Farnsworth. The book reveals new details of his relationships with women, including his correspondence with Ada Bruhn, who became his wife, and a series of illuminating interviews with Mies's American companion, Lora Marx. This new edition also draws on an extensive oral history collection, assembled by the Department of Architecture of the Art Institute of Chicago, that gives voice to dozens of architects who knew and worked with (and sometimes against) Mies.

Unparalleled in scope, this comprehensive biography captures Mies the man as well as his architecture from the perspective of those who best knew the work as well as the architect. This new, revised edition speaks to how it was to work with the master architect and tells the compelling story of how he created some of the most significant buildings of the twentieth century.

**Franz Schulze** is the Betty Jane Schultz Hollender Professor of Art, Emeritus, at Lake Forest College. His other books include *Philip Johnson: Life and Work* and *Chicago's Famous Buildings*, with Kevin Harrington, the latter also published by the University of Chicago Press. **Edward Windhorst** studied architecture with Myron Goldsmith at the Illinois Institute of Technology. He has written two books about modernism in Chicago.

**“Franz Schulze’s 1985 biography of Ludwig Mies van der Rohe has always been acknowledged as the most comprehensive and thoughtful biography of one of the key figures in twentieth-century architecture. This revised edition with significant new scholarship by its two authors will undoubtedly come to occupy the same position.”**

**—Dietrich Neumann,  
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# In Time

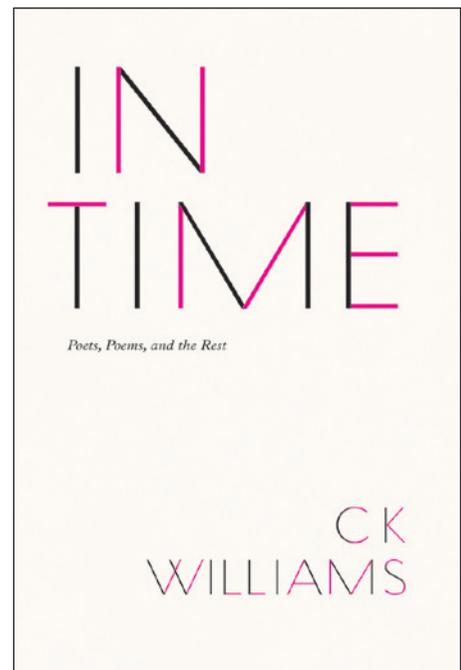
## Poets, Poems, and the Rest

Winner of the National Book Award, the Pulitzer Prize for Poetry, and numerous other awards, C. K. Williams is one of the most distinguished poets of his generation. Known for the variety of his subject matter and the expressive intensity of his verse, he has written on topics as resonant as war, social injustice, love, family, sex, death, depression, and intellectual despair and delight. He is also a gifted essayist, and *In Time* collects his best recent prose along with an illuminating series of interview excerpts in which he discusses a wide range of subjects, from his own work as a poet and translator to the current state of American poetry as a whole.

*In Time* begins with six essays that meditate on poetic subjects, from reflections on such forebears as Philip Larkin and Robert Lowell to “A Letter to a Workshop,” in which he considers the work of composing a poem. In the book’s innovative middle section, Williams extracts short essays from interviews into an alphabetized series of reflections on subjects ranging from poetry and politics to personal accounts of his own struggles as an artist. The seven essays of the final section branch into more public concerns, including an essay on Paris as a place of inspiration, “Letter to a German Friend,” which addresses the issue of national guilt, and a concluding essay on aging, into which Williams incorporates three moving new poems. Written in his lucid, powerful, and accessible prose, Williams’s essays are characterized by reasoned and complex judgments and a willingness to confront hard moral questions in both art and politics.

Wide-ranging and deeply thoughtful, *In Time* is the culmination of a lifetime of reading and writing by a man whose work has made a substantial contribution to contemporary American poetry.

C. K. Williams is professor of creative writing at Princeton University. He is the author of eighteen books of poetry, including *Repair* and *The Singing*, as well as several books of prose, mostly recently *On Whitman*.



### Praise for C. K. Williams

**“Williams is a poet of imaginative composure amid real-world disarray. His fastidious, refined heart camps in the middle of the worldly misery that minimizes its claims.”**

—Dan Chiasson,  
*New York Times*

**“Williams seems to me to fulfill, triumphantly, the big demands he places on himself. Reading his poems, you sense their considerable formal beauty, yet you also hear something more: a voice that has become a representative consciousness.”**

—Peter Campion,  
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LITERATURE POETRY

## Disposable Camera

JANET FOXMAN

### *Disposable Camera*

For Karen

To a disposable camera I have confined the paradise  
where my sister lives—

palisades, sycamores. Sunbathers mistaken for statuary.  
People with shears, shrubbery cut into sea creatures.

Lemon trees bloom in front of houses.  
Trophy wives escort children through mazes of palm trees.

In the shadows of palms the children paw their toys delicately  
while the youngest one rides his plastic motorcycle toward his mother

with a confidence so absolute, so heartbreakingly  
beautiful, everybody at the pier

hopes nothing will ever humiliate it, that it will persist  
after the camera runs out of film.

Although *Disposable Camera* is Janet Foxman's first book-length collection, you would not know it given the wry sophistication of the poems found within. The notion of the disposable camera permeates the entire book, where Foxman considers the instabilities in even our deepest attachments. Here gulfs expand, for instance, between twins, between the musician and his instrument, between the recluse and his inconsolable solitude. Whether a hermit; a twin; a filmgoer utterly taken with *Triumph of the Will*; or Masaccio, just after he's painted the *Expulsion*—the poems' speakers share a nagging anxiety that satisfaction may not exist outside the effort to imagine it, and that efforts at art and making, however compulsory to their executor, are probably regrettable from the start. A formally inventive and daring book, and one that displays a sophistication well beyond the poet's years, *Disposable Camera* will be a valuable addition to American poetry.

"Janet Foxman's *Disposable Camera* is a brilliant book of great freshness and great originality. It is an exhilarating book, one that keeps the reader off balance about its ambitions and procedures."—Frank Bidart

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**Janet Foxman** is a freelance writer and editor, as well as a senior production editor at a publishing house.

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POETRY

## Bewilderment

New Poems and Translations

DAVID FERRY

### *Your Personal God*

From Horace, *Epistles*, II. 2. ll. 180–89

Jewels, marble, ivory, paintings, beautiful Tuscan meter?  
Pottery, silver, Gaetulian robes dyed purple—  
Many there are who'd love to have all of these things.  
There are some who don't care about them in the least.  
Why one twin brother lives for nothing but pleasure,  
And loves to fool around even more than Herod  
Loves his abundant gardens of date-trees, while  
The other twin brother works from morning to night  
Improving his farm, ploughing and clearing the lands,  
Pruning and planting, working his ass off, only  
The genius knows, the personal god who knows  
And controls the birth star of every person  
There is in the world. Your personal god is the god  
Who dies in a sense when your own breath gives out,  
And yet lives on, after you die, to be  
The personal god of somebody other than you;  
Your personal god, whose countenance changes as  
He looks at you, smiling sometimes, sometimes not.

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### *Praise for David Ferry*

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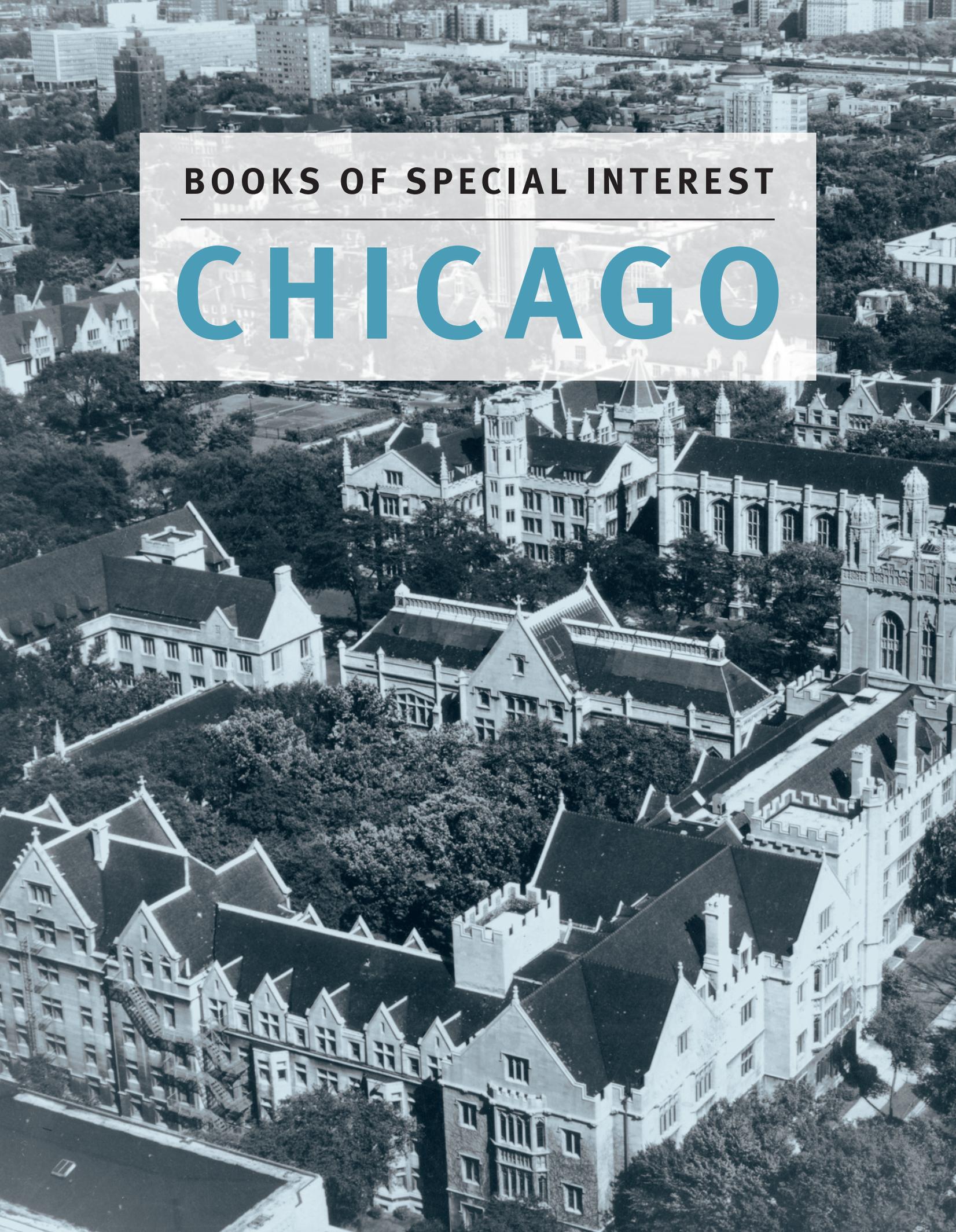
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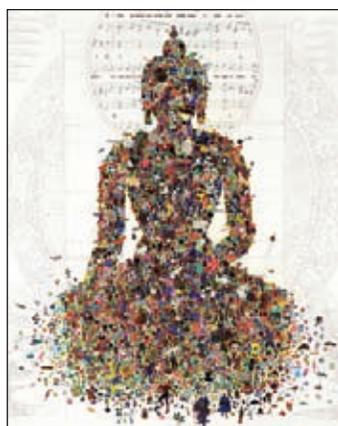
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Harris begins with the British public’s first encounter with Tibetan culture in 1854. She then examines the role of imperial collectors and photographers in representations of the region and visits competing museums of Tibet in India and Lhasa. Drawing on fieldwork in Tibetan communities, she also documents the activities of contemporary Tibetan artists as they try to displace the utopian visions of their country prevalent in the West, as well as the negative assessments of their heritage common in China. Illustrated with many previously unpublished images, this book addresses the pressing question of who has the right to represent Tibet in museums and beyond.

**Clare E. Harris** is a reader in visual anthropology at the School of Anthropology and Museum Ethnography at the University of Oxford, curator for Asian collections at the Pitt Rivers Museum, and a fellow of Magdalen College, Oxford. She is the author of *In the Image of Tibet: Tibetan Painting after 1959*.

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Individualist and communitarian. Anarchist and totalitarian. Classicist and romanticist. Progressive and reactionary. Since the eighteenth century, Jean-Jacques Rousseau has been said to be all of these things. Few philosophers have been the subject of as much or as intense debate, yet almost everyone agrees that Rousseau is among the most important and influential thinkers in the history of political philosophy. This new edition of his major political writings, published in the year of the three-hundredth anniversary of his birth, renews attention to the perennial importance of Rousseau’s work.

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**Jean-Jacques Rousseau** (1712–78) was a leading Genevan philosopher and political theorist and one of the key figures of the Enlightenment. **John T. Scott** is chair and professor of political science at the University of California, Davis; he has edited or translated several volumes on Rousseau and is coauthor of *The Philosophers’ Quarrel: Rousseau, Hume, and the Limits of Human Understanding*.

## Everyday Law on the Street

### City Governance in an Age of Diversity

MARIANA VALVERDE

Toronto prides itself on being “the world’s most diverse city,” and its officials seek to support this diversity through programs and policies designed to promote social inclusion. Yet this progressive vision of law often falls short in practice, limited by problems inherent in the political culture itself. In *Everyday Law on the Street*, Mariana Valverde brings to light the often unexpected ways that the development and implementation of policies shape everyday urban life.

Drawing on four years spent participating in council hearings and civic association meetings, and shadowing housing inspectors and law enforcement officials as they went about their day-to-day work, Valverde reveals a telling transformation between law on the books and law on the streets. She finds, for example, that some of the demo-

cratic governing mechanisms generally applauded—public meetings, for instance—actually create disadvantages for marginalized groups, whose members are less likely to attend or articulate their concerns. As a result, both officials and citizens fail to see problems outside the point of view of their own needs and neighborhood.

Taking issue with Jane Jacobs and many others, Valverde ultimately argues that Toronto and other diverse cities must reevaluate their allegiance to strictly local solutions. If urban diversity is to be truly inclusive—of tenants as well as homeowners, and recent immigrants as well as longtime residents—cities must move beyond microlocal planning and embrace a more expansive, citywide approach to planning and regulation.

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**Mariana Valverde** is professor in and director of the Centre for Criminology and Sociolegal Studies at the University of Toronto. She is the author of several books, including *Law’s Dream of a Common Knowledge*.

## Awakening to Race

### Individualism and Social Consciousness in America

JACK TURNER

The election of America’s first black president has led many to believe that race is no longer a real obstacle to success and that remaining racial inequality stems largely from the failure of minority groups to take personal responsibility for seeking out opportunities. Often this argument is made in the name of the long tradition of self-reliance and American individualism. In *Awakening to Race*, Jack Turner upends this view, arguing that it expresses not a deep commitment to the values of individualism, but a narrow understanding of them.

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**Jack Turner** is assistant professor of political science at the University of Washington and a member of the Washington Institute for the Study of Ethnicity, Race, and Sexuality. He is the editor of *A Political Companion to Henry David Thoreau*.



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**George I. Lovell** is associate professor of political science at the University of Washington. He is the author of *Legislative Deferrals*.

## **The Three and a Half Minute Transaction** Boilerplate and the Limits of Contract Design **MITU GULATI and ROBERT E. SCOTT**

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**Mitu Gulati** is professor of law at Duke University. **Robert E. Scott** is the Alfred McCormack Professor of Law and the director of the Center on Contract and Economic Organization at Columbia Law School.

## The Timeline of Presidential Elections

How Campaigns Do (and Do Not) Matter

ROBERT S. ERIKSON and CHRISTOPHER WLEZIEN

With the 2012 presidential election upon us, will voters cast their ballots for the candidates whose platforms and positions best match their own? Or will the race for the next president of the United States come down largely to who runs the most effective campaign? It's a question those who study elections have been considering for years with no clear resolution. In *The Timeline of Presidential Elections*, Robert S. Erikson and Christopher Wlezien reveal for the first time how both factors come into play.

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**Robert S. Erikson** is professor of political science at Columbia University and the author or coauthor of several books, including *The Macro Polity*. **Christopher Wlezien** is professor of political science at Temple University and coauthor of *Degrees of Democracy*, among other books.

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THOMAS MEDVETZ

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How Voters Respond to Politicians' Policies and Performance

**GABRIEL S. LENZ**

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**Gabriel S. Lenz** is assistant professor in the Charles and Louise Travers Department of Political Science at the University of California, Berkeley.

## The Social Citizen

Peer Networks and Political Behavior

**BETSY SINCLAIR**

Human beings are social animals. Yet despite vast amounts of research into political decision making, very little attention has been devoted to its social dimensions. In political science, social relationships are generally thought of as mere sources of information, rather than active influences on one's political decisions.

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## Institutional Foundations of Impersonal Exchange

### Theory and Policy of Contractual Registries

BENITO ARRUÑADA

Governments and development agencies devote considerable resources to building institutions to protect property rights. When the owners of property feel that their claims are protected by law, they have greater incentive to invest in their property or use it as collateral. Similarly, when entrepreneurs are able to easily formalize their activities, they benefit from gaining access to courts and transforming their firms into legal entities. Policies for protecting property rights have thus become an important factor in economic growth.

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**Benito Arruñada** is professor of business organization at Pompeu Fabra University in Barcelona.

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## Electing Judges

The Surprising Effects of Campaigning on Judicial Legitimacy

JAMES L. GIBSON

In *Electing Judges*, leading judicial politics scholar James L. Gibson responds to the growing chorus of critics who fear that the politics of running for office undermine judicial independence. While many people have opinions on the topic, few have supported them with actual empirical evidence. Gibson rectifies this situation, offering the most systematic and comprehensive study to date of the impact of campaigns on public perceptions of fairness, impartiality, and the legitimacy of elected state courts—and his findings are both counterintuitive and controversial.

Gibson finds that ordinary Americans do not conclude from campaign promises that judges are incapable of making impartial decisions. Instead,

he shows, they understand the process of deciding cases to be an exercise in policymaking, rather than of simply applying laws to individual cases—and consequently think it’s important for candidates to reveal where they stand on important issues. Negative advertising also turns out to have a limited effect on perceptions of judicial legitimacy, though the same cannot be said for widely hated campaign contributions.

Taking both the good and bad into consideration, Gibson argues that elections are ultimately beneficial in boosting the legitimacy of courts, despite the slight negative effects of some campaign activities. *Electing Judges* will initiate a lively debate inside both the halls of justice and the academy.

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## Democracy and the Left

Social Policy and Inequality in Latin America

EVELYNE HUBER and JOHN D. STEPHENS

Although inequality in Latin America ranks among the worst in the world, it has notably declined over the last decade, offset by improvements in health care and education, enhanced programs for social assistance, and increases in the minimum wage.

In *Democracy and the Left*, Evelyn Huber and John D. Stephens argue that the resurgence of democracy in Latin America is key to this change. In addition to directly affecting public policy, democratic institutions enable left-leaning political parties to emerge, significantly influencing the allocation of social spending on poverty and inequality. But while democracy is an important determinant of redistributive

change, it is by no means the only factor. Huber and Stephens present quantitative analyses of eighteen countries and comparative historical analyses of the five most advanced social policy regimes in Latin America, showing how international power structures have influenced the direction of their social policy. They augment these analyses by comparing them to the development of social policy in democratic Portugal and Spain.

The most ambitious examination of the development of social policy in Latin America to date, *Democracy and the Left* shows that inequality is far from intractable—a finding with crucial policy implications worldwide.

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**Evelyne Huber** is the Morehead Alumni Distinguished Professor of Political Science at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, where **John D. Stephens** is the Gerhard E. Lenski, Jr. Distinguished Professor of Political Science and Sociology. Together, they are the authors of *Development and Crisis of the Welfare State*.

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Mary Quinlan-McGrath is associate professor of art history at Northern Illinois University.

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This book provides a valuable complement to Hodgson's earlier work with Thorbjørn Knudsen on evolutionary economics in *Darwin's Conjecture*, extending the evolutionary outlook to include moral and policy-related issues.

Geoffrey M. Hodgson is research professor at the University of Hertfordshire Business School, England, and the author or coauthor of over a dozen books, including *The Evolution of Institutional Economics* and *Darwin's Conjecture*.



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## Building Resilience

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DANIEL P. ALDRICH

Each year, natural disasters threaten the strength and stability of communities worldwide. Yet responses to the challenges of recovery vary greatly and in ways that aren't always explained by the magnitude of the catastrophe or the amount of aid provided by national governments or the international community. The difference between resilience and disrepair, Daniel P. Aldrich shows, lies in the depth of communities' social capital.

*Building Resilience* highlights the critical role of social capital in the ability of a community to withstand disaster and rebuild the infrastructure and ties that are at the foundation of any community. Aldrich examines the post-disaster responses of four distinct communities—Tokyo following the 1923

earthquake, Kobe after the 1995 earthquake, Tamil Nadu after the 2004 Indian Ocean tsunami, and New Orleans post-Katrina—and finds that those with robust social networks were better able to coordinate recovery. In addition to quickly disseminating information and assistance, communities with an abundance of social capital were able to minimize the migration of people and resources out of the area.

With governments increasingly overstretched and natural disasters likely to increase in frequency and intensity, an understanding of what contributes to efficient reconstruction is more important than ever. *Building Resilience* underscores a critical component of an effective response.

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**Daniel P. Aldrich** is associate professor of political science at Purdue University. He is the author of *Site Fights: Divisive Facilities and Civil Society in Japan and the West*.

## Birth of Hegemony

### Crisis, Financial Revolution, and Emerging Global Networks

ANDREW C. SOBEL

With American leadership facing increased competition from China and India, the question of how hegemons emerge—and are able to create conditions for lasting stability—is of utmost importance in international relations. The generally accepted wisdom is that liberal superpowers, with economies based on capitalist principles, are best able to develop systems conducive to the health of the global economy.

In *Birth of Hegemony*, Andrew C. Sobel draws attention to the critical role played by finance in the emergence of these liberal hegemons. He argues that a hegemon must have both the capacity and the willingness to bear a disproportionate share of the cost of providing key collective goods that are the basis of international cooperation and

exchange. Through this, the hegemon helps maintain stability and limits the risk to productive international interactions. However, prudent planning can account for only part of a hegemon's ability to provide public goods, while some of the necessary conditions must be developed simply through processes of economic growth and political development. Sobel supports these claims by examining the economic trajectories that led to the successive leadership of the Netherlands, Britain, and the United States.

Stability in international affairs has long been a topic of great interest to our understanding of global politics, and Sobel's account sets the stage for a consideration of recent developments affecting the United States.

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**Andrew C. Sobel** is a political scientist in the International and Area Studies program at Washington University in St. Louis. He is the author of several books, including *Political Economy and Global Affairs*.

MICHELE LANDIS DAUBER

# The Sympathetic State

## Disaster Relief and the Origins of the American Welfare State

Even as unemployment rates soared during the Great Depression, FDR's relief and social security programs faced attacks in Congress and the courts on the legitimacy of federal aid to the growing population of poor. In response, New Dealers pointed to a long tradition—dating back to 1790 and now largely forgotten—of federal aid to victims of disaster. In *The Sympathetic State*, Michele Landis Dauber recovers this crucial aspect of American history, tracing the roots of the modern American welfare state beyond the New Deal and the Progressive Era back to the earliest days of the republic when relief was forthcoming for the victims of wars, fires, floods, hurricanes, and earthquakes.

Drawing on a variety of materials, including newspapers, legal briefs, political speeches, art and literature of the time, and letters from thousands of ordinary Americans, Dauber shows that while this long history of government disaster relief has faded from our memory today, it was extremely well-known to advocates of an expanded role for the national government in the 1930s. Making this connection required framing the Great Depression as a disaster afflicting citizens through no fault of their own. Dauber argues that the disaster paradigm, though successful in defending the New Deal, would ultimately come back to haunt advocates for social welfare. By not making a more radical case for relief, proponents of the New Deal helped create the weak, uniquely American welfare state we have today—one torn between the desire to come to the aid of those suffering and the deeply rooted suspicion that those in need are responsible for their own deprivation.

Contrary to conventional thought, the history of federal disaster relief is one of remarkable consistency, despite significant political and ideological change. Dauber's pathbreaking and highly readable book uncovers the historical origins of the modern American welfare state.

**Michele Landis Dauber** is professor of law and (by courtesy) sociology, as well as the Bernard D. Bergreen Faculty Scholar at Stanford University.



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## The State and the Stork

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From the colonial era to the present, the ever-shifting debate about America’s almost uninterrupted population growth has exerted a profound influence on the evolution of politics, public policy, and economic thinking in the United States. In a remarkable shift since the 1970s, Americans have celebrated the economic virtues of population growth—but as one of the only wealthy countries experiencing significant growth in the twenty-first century, the United States now finds itself at a crossroads with policymakers unwilling or unable to address the future.

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Derek S. Hoff is associate professor of history at Kansas State University.

## Brown in the Windy City

Mexicans and Puerto Ricans in Postwar Chicago

LILIA FERNÁNDEZ

Like other industrial cities in the postwar period, Chicago underwent the dramatic population shifts that radically changed the complexion of the urban north. As African American populations grew and white communities declined throughout the 1960s and ’70s, Mexicans and Puerto Ricans migrated to the city, adding a complex layer to local racial dynamics.

*Brown in the Windy City* is the first history to examine the migration and settlement of Mexicans and Puerto Ricans in the postwar era. Here, Lilia Fernández reveals how the two popula-

tions arrived in Chicago in the midst of tremendous social and economic change and, in the midst of declining industrial employment and massive urban renewal projects, managed to carve out a geographic and racial place in one of America’s great cities. Over the course of these three decades, through their experiences in the city’s central neighborhoods, Fernández demonstrates how Mexicans and Puerto Ricans collectively articulated a distinct racial position in Chicago, one that was flexible and fluid, neither black nor white.

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Lilia Fernández is assistant professor in the Department of History at Ohio State University.

## History's Babel

Scholarship, Professionalization, and the Historical Enterprise  
in the United States, 1880–1940

ROBERT B. TOWNSEND

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**Robert B. Townsend** is the deputy director of the American Historical Association, where he has worked for more than twenty years.

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**William M. Reddy** is the William T. Laprade Professor of History and professor of cultural anthropology at Duke University. He is the author of a number of historical works, including *The Navigation of Feeling: A Framework for the History of Emotions*.

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NICHOLAS POPPER

Imprisoned in the Tower of London after the death of Queen Elizabeth in 1603, Sir Walter Raleigh spent the next seven years producing his massive *History of the World*. Created with the aid of a library of more than five hundred books he was allowed to keep in his quarters, this incredible work of English vernacular would become a best-seller, with nearly twenty editions, abridgments, and continuations issued in the years that followed.

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## Trams or Tailfins?

Public and Private Prosperity in Postwar West Germany and the United States

JAN L. LOGEMANN

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**Jan L. Logemann** is the editor of *The Development of Consumer Credit in Global Perspective*. A research fellow at the German Historical Institute in Washington, DC, he is also the director of their Transatlantic Perspectives project.

## Document Raj

Writing and Scribes in Early Colonial South India

BHAVANI RAMAN

Historians of British colonial rule in India have noted both the place of military might and the imposition of new cultural categories in the making of Empire, but Bhavani Raman, in *Document Raj*, uncovers a lesser-known story of power: the power of bureaucracy. Drawing on extensive archival research in the files of the East India Company's administrative offices in Madras, she tells the story of a bureaucracy gone awry in a fever of documentation practices that grew ever more abstract—and the power, both economic and cultural, this created.

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**Anne Kelly Knowles** is a historical geographer who teaches at Middlebury College. She is the author of *Calvinists Incorporated: Welsh Immigrants on Ohio's Industrial Frontier*, also published by the University of Chicago Press, and the editor of *Placing History: How Maps, Spatial Data, and GIS Are Changing Historical Scholarship*.

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**John E. Murray** is the J. R. Hyde III Professor of Political Economy at Rhodes College and the author of *Origins of American Health Insurance*.

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FIDA J. ADELY

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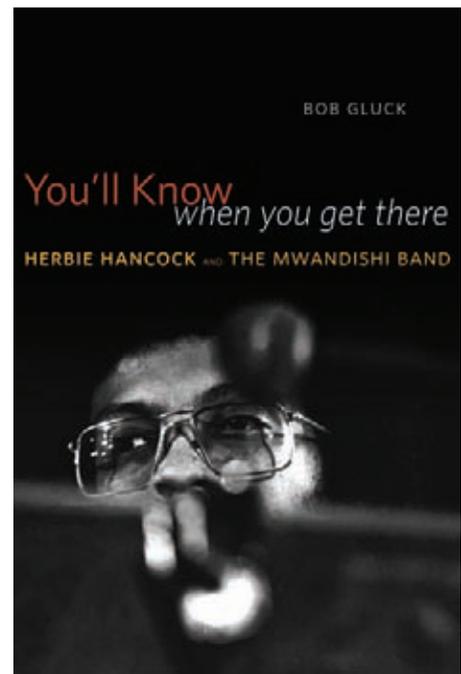
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## Herbie Hancock and the Mwandishi Band

As the 1960s ended, Herbie Hancock embarked on a grand creative experiment. Having just been dismissed from the celebrated Miles Davis Quintet, he brought a new group of musicians together into what would become a revolutionary band. Taking the Swahili name *Mwandishi*, the group would go on to play some of the most innovative music of the 1970s, fusing an assortment of musical genres, American and African cultures, and acoustic and electronic sounds into groundbreaking experiments that helped shape the American popular music that followed. In *You'll Know When You Get There*, Bob Gluck offers the first comprehensive study of this seminal group, mapping the musical, technological, political, and cultural changes that they not only lived in, but effected.

Beginning with Hancock's formative years as a sideman in bebop and hard bop ensembles, his work with Miles Davis, and the early recordings under his own name, Gluck uncovers the many ingredients that would come to form the Mwandishi sound. He offers an extensive series of interviews with Hancock, other band members, the producer and engineer who worked with them, and a catalog of well-known musicians who were profoundly influenced by the group. Paying close attention to Mwandishi's compositions, he analyzes a wide array of recordings—many little known—and examines the group's instrumentation, their pioneering use of electronics, and their transformation of the studio into a compositional tool. From protofunk rhythms to synthesizers to the reclamation of African identities, Gluck tells the story of a highly peculiar and thrillingly unpredictable band that became a hallmark of American genius.

**Bob Gluck** is a jazz historian, an associate professor of music, and director of the Electronic Music Studio at the University at Albany, SUNY.



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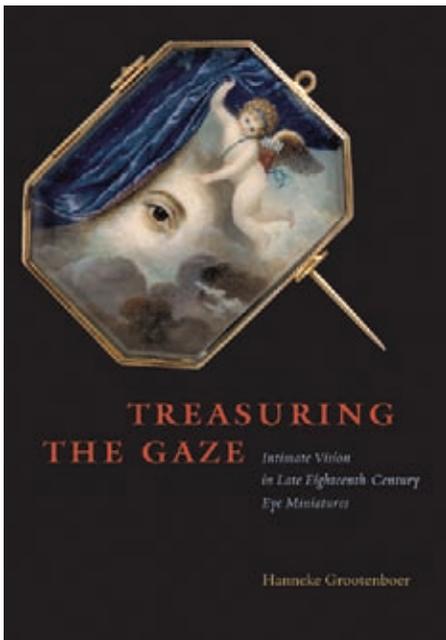
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With a host of fascinating imagery from this eccentric and mostly forgotten yet deeply private keepsake, *Treasuring the Gaze* provides new insights into the art of miniature painting and the genre of portraiture.

**Hanneke Grootenboer** is a university lecturer in the history of art and a fellow and tutor at St Peter's College, University of Oxford. She is the author of *The Rhetoric of Perspective: Realism and Illusionism in Seventeenth-Century Dutch Still-Life Painting*, also published by the University of Chicago Press.



**“Hanneke Grootenboer has fixed her art-historical gaze on a largely overlooked category of visual representation: the late eighteenth-century miniature eye portrait. Precious gifts of love and mementos of loss, the tiny portraits of individual eyes open onto a cultural archive of affective behaviors and practices of seeing that would otherwise remain largely invisible. *Treasuring the Gaze* stands as a revelatory new chapter in the history of visuality and visual culture.”**

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## The Moment of Racial Sight

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**Irene Tucker** is associate professor of English at the University of California, Irvine. She is the author of *A Probable State: The Novel, the Contract, and the Jews*, also published by the University of Chicago Press.

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**Julia V. Douthwaite** is professor of French at the University of Notre Dame. She is the author of *Exotic Women: Literary Heroines and Cultural Strategies in Ancien Régime France* and *The Wild Girl, Natural Man, and the Monster: Dangerous Experiments in the Age of Enlightenment*, the latter published by the University of Chicago Press.

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Cosmopolity in Shakespearean Locales

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## The Invention of Religion in Japan

**JASON ĀNANDA JOSEPHSON**

Through most of its long history, Japan had no concept of what we call “religion.” There was no corresponding Japanese word, nor anything close to its meaning. But when American warships appeared off the coast of Japan in 1853 and forced the Japanese government to sign treaties demanding, among other things, freedom of religion, the country had to contend with this Western idea. In this book, Jason Ānanda Josephson reveals how Japanese officials invented religion in Japan and traces the sweeping intellectual, legal, and cultural changes that followed.

More than a tale of oppression or hegemony, Josephson’s account demonstrates that the process of articulating religion offered the Japanese state a valuable opportunity. In addition to carving out space for belief in Christi-

anity and certain forms of Buddhism, Japanese officials excluded Shinto from the category. Instead, they enshrined it as a national ideology while relegating the popular practices of indigenous shamans and female mediums to the category of “superstitions”—and thus beyond the sphere of tolerance. Josephson argues that the invention of religion in Japan was a politically charged, boundary-drawing exercise that not only extensively reclassified the inherited materials of Buddhism, Confucianism, and Shinto to lasting effect, but also reshaped, in subtle but significant ways, our own formulation of the concept of religion today. This ambitious and wide-ranging book contributes an important perspective to broader debates on the nature of religion, the secular, science, and superstition.

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**Jason Ānanda Josephson** is assistant professor of religion at Williams College.

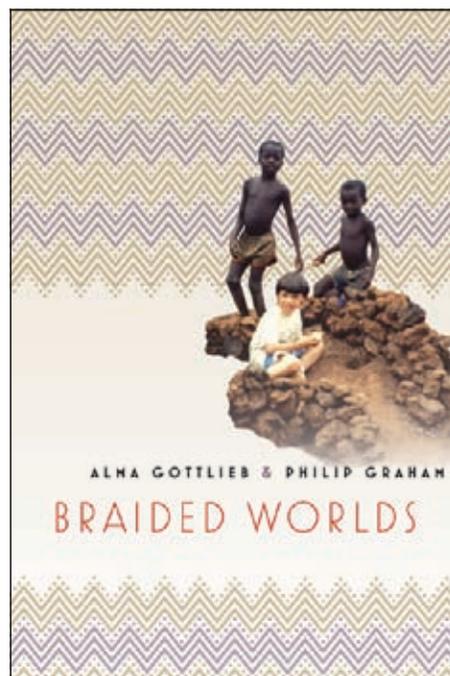
ALMA GOTTLIEB and PHILIP GRAHAM

# Braided Worlds

In a compelling mix of literary narrative and ethnography, anthropologist Alma Gottlieb and writer Philip Graham continue the long journey of cultural engagement with the Beng people of Côte d'Ivoire that they first recounted in their award-winning memoir *Parallel Worlds*. Their commitment over the span of several decades has lent them a rare insight. Braiding their own stories with those of the villagers of Asagbé and Kosangbé, Gottlieb and Graham take turns recounting a host of unexpected dramas with these West African villages, prompting serious questions about the fraught nature of cultural contact.

Through events such as a religious leader's declaration that the authors' six-year-old son, Nathaniel, is the reincarnation of a revered ancestor, or Graham's late father being accepted into the Beng afterlife, or the increasing, sometimes dangerous madness of a villager, the authors are forced to reconcile their anthropological and literary gaze with the deepest parts of their personal lives. Along with these intimate dramas, they follow the Beng from times of peace through the times of tragedy that led to Côte d'Ivoire's recent civil conflicts. From these and many other interweaving narratives—and with the combined strengths of an anthropologist and a literary writer—*Braided Worlds* examines the impact of postcolonialism, race, and global inequity at the same time that it chronicles a living, breathing village community where two very different worlds meet.

**Alma Gottlieb** is professor of anthropology at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. She is the author of *The Restless Anthropologist*, *The Afterlife Is Where We Come From*, and *Under the Kapok Tree*, all published by the University of Chicago Press. **Philip Graham** is professor of creative writing at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, and also teaches at the Vermont College of Fine Arts. He is the author of seven books of fiction and nonfiction, including *The Moon*, *Come to Earth*, also published by the University of Chicago Press. Together they are the authors of *Parallel Worlds: An Anthropologist and a Writer Encounter Africa*.



**“At this moment in the history of our divided and violent world, we profoundly need to hear the voices of Alma Gottlieb and Philip Graham as they return to the Beng people of the Côte d'Ivoire and write not just about this remarkable people but about the ways that all of us are inextricably ‘braided’ together by our love, through our humanity, of sharing the great mystery of existence. *Braided Worlds* is not only an enthralling book but an important one. And linked with Gottlieb and Graham's earlier *Parallel Worlds*, the two books form a masterpiece of travel memoir.”**

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ANTHROPOLOGY AFRICAN STUDIES

## American Value

### Migrants, Money, and Meaning in El Salvador and the United States

DAVID PEDERSEN

Over the past half-century, El Salvador has transformed dramatically. Historically reliant on primary exports like coffee and cotton, the country emerged from a brutal civil war in 1992 to find much of its national income now coming from a massive emigrant workforce—over a quarter of its population—that earns money in the United States and sends it home. In *American Value*, David Pedersen examines this new way of life as it extends across two places: Intipucá, a Salvadoran town infamous for its remittance wealth, and the Washington, DC, metro area, home to the second largest population of Salvadorans in the United States.

Pedersen charts El Salvador's change alongside American deindus-

trialization, viewing the Salvadoran migrant work abilities used in new low-wage American service jobs as a kind of primary export, and shows how the latest social conditions linking both countries are part of a longer history of disparity across the Americas. Drawing on the work of Charles S. Peirce, he demonstrates how the defining value forms—migrant work capacity, services, and remittances—act as signs, building a moral world by communicating their exchangeability while hiding the violence and exploitation on which this story rests. Theoretically sophisticated, ethnographically rich, and compellingly written, *American Value* offers critical insights into practices that are increasingly common throughout the world.

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David Pedersen is associate professor of anthropology at the University of California, San Diego.

## Unmasking the State

### Making Guinea Modern

MIKE MCGOVERN

When the Republic of Guinea gained independence in 1958, one of the first policies of the new state was a village-to-village eradication of masks and other ritual objects it deemed “fetishes.” The Demystification Program, as it was called, was so urgent it even preceded the building of a national road system. In *Unmasking the State*, Mike McGovern attempts to understand why this program was so important to the emerging state and examines the complex role it had in creating a unified national identity. In doing so, he tells a dramatic story of cat and mouse where minority groups cling desperately to their important—and outlawed—customs.

Primarily focused on the communities in the country's southeastern

rainforest region—people known as Forestiers—the Demystification Program operated via a paradox. At the same time it banned rituals from Forestiers' day-to-day lives, it appropriated them into a state-sponsored program of folklorization. McGovern points to an important purpose for this: by objectifying this polytheistic group's rituals, the state created a viable counterexample against which the Muslim majority could define proper modernity. Describing the intertwined relationship between national and local identity making, McGovern showcases the coercive power and the unintended consequences involved when states attempt to engineer culture.

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Mike McGovern is assistant professor of anthropology at Yale University. He is the author of *Making War in Côte d'Ivoire*, also published by the University of Chicago Press.

## Resonance

### Beyond the Words

UNNI WIKAN

*Resonance* gathers together forty years of anthropological study by a researcher and writer with one of the broadest fieldwork résumés in anthropology: Unni Wikan. In its twelve essays—four of which are brand new—*Resonance* covers encounters with transvestites in Oman, childbirth in Bhutan, poverty in Cairo, and honor killings in Scandinavia, with visits to several other locales and subjects in between. Including a comprehensive preface and introduction that brings the whole work into focus, *Resonance* surveys an astonishing career of anthropological inquiry that demonstrates the possibility for a common humanity, a way of knowing others on their own terms.

Deploying Clifford Geertz's con-

cept of "experience-near" observations—and driven by an ambition to work beyond Geertz's own limitations—Wikan strives for an anthropology that sees, describes, and understands the human condition in the models and concepts of the people being observed. She highlights the fundamentals of an explicitly comparative, person-centered, and empathic approach to fieldwork, pushing anthropology to shift from the specialist discourses of academic experts to a grasp of what the Balinese call *keneh*—the heart, thought, and feeling of the real people of the world. By deploying this strategy across such a range of sites and communities, she provides a powerful argument that ever-deeper insight can be attained despite our differences.

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**Unni Wikan** is professor of social anthropology at the University of Oslo. She is the author of several books, including *Behind the Veil in Arabia*, *Managing Turbulent Hearts*, and *Generous Betrayal*, all published by the University of Chicago Press.

## What Kinship Is—And Is Not

MARSHALL SAHLINS

In this pithy two-part essay, Marshall Sahlins reinvigorates the debates on what constitutes kinship, building on some of the best scholarship in the field to produce an original outlook on the deepest bond humans can have. Covering thinkers from Aristotle and Lévy-Bruhl to Émile Durkheim and David Schneider, and communities from the Maori and the English to the Korowai of New Guinea, he draws on a breadth of theory and a range of ethnographic examples to form an acute definition of kinship, what he calls the "mutuality of being." Kinfolk are persons who are parts of one another to the extent that what happens to one is felt by the other. Meaningfully and emotionally, relatives live each other's lives and die each other's deaths.

In the second part of his essay, Sahlins shows that mutuality of being is a symbolic notion of belonging, not a biological connection by "blood." Quite apart from relations of birth, people may become kin in ways ranging from sharing the same name or the same food to helping each other survive the perils of the high seas. In a groundbreaking argument, he demonstrates that even where kinship is reckoned from births, it is because the wider kindred or the clan ancestors are already involved in procreation, so that the notion of birth is meaningfully dependent on kinship rather than kinship on birth. By formulating this reversal, Sahlins identifies what kinship truly is: not nature, but culture.

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**Marshall Sahlins** is the Charles F. Grey Distinguished Service Professor Emeritus of Anthropology and of Social Sciences at the University of Chicago. He is the author of many books, including *Culture and Practical Reason*, *How "Natives" Think*, *Islands of History*, and *Apologies to Thucydides*, all published by the University of Chicago Press.

**"Unni Wikan has spent more time in sustained fieldwork in more societies than any other anthropologist I know, and these essays are the connective tissue among her most substantial work. They demonstrate her theoretical acuity in defining an approach that always places human experience first. They are exemplars and a test, as well, of just that approach which understands that common humanity is to be found anywhere, though complicated by distinctive cultural orientations to the expression of personhood."**

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## Exit Zero

Family and Class in Postindustrial Chicago

CHRISTINE J. WALLEY

In 1980, Christine J. Walley's world was turned upside down when the steel mill in Southeast Chicago where her father worked abruptly closed. In the ensuing years, ninety thousand other area residents would also lose their jobs in the mills—just one example of the vast scale of deindustrialization occurring across the United States. The disruption of this event propelled Walley into a career as a cultural anthropologist, and now, in *Exit Zero*, she brings her anthropological perspective home, examining the fate of her family and that of blue-collar America at large.

Interweaving personal narratives and family photos with a nuanced assessment of the social impacts of deindustrialization, *Exit Zero* is one part

memoir and one part ethnography—providing a much-needed female and familial perspective on cultures of labor and their decline. Through vivid accounts of her family's struggles and her own upward mobility, Walley reveals the social landscapes of America's industrial fallout, navigating complex tensions among class, labor, economy, and environment. Unsatisfied with the notion that her family's turmoil was inevitable in the ever-forward progress of the United States, she provides a fresh and important counternarrative that gives a new voice to the many Americans whose distress resulting from deindustrialization has too often been ignored.

**Christine J. Walley** is associate professor of anthropology at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and the author of *Rough Waters: Nature and Development in an East African Marine Park*.

**“In *The Predicament of Blackness*, Jemima Pierre makes an important intervention in Africanist anthropology, which is in dire need of analyses, such as Pierre offers, that illuminate the workings of race. This book is in a class by itself. It is not only a welcome addition to the field, but will in fact inspire a new generation of African studies scholarship that is more attentive to the cultural practices of race.”**

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## The Predicament of Blackness

Postcolonial Ghana and the Politics of Race

JEMIMA PIERRE

What is the meaning of blackness in Africa? While much has been written on Africa's complex ethnic and tribal relationships, Jemima Pierre's groundbreaking *The Predicament of Blackness* is the first book to tackle the question of race in West Africa through its postcolonial manifestations. Challenging the view of the African continent as a nonracialized space—as a fixed historic source for the African diaspora—she envisions Africa, and in particular the nation of Ghana, as a place whose local relationships are deeply informed by global structures of race, economics, and politics.

Against the backdrop of Ghana's history as a major port in the transatlantic slave trade and the subsequent

and disruptive forces of colonialism and postcolonialism, Pierre examines key facets of contemporary Ghanaian society, from the pervasive significance of “whiteness” to the practice of chemical skin-bleaching to the government's active promotion of Pan-African “heritage tourism.” Drawing these and other examples together, she shows that race and racism have not only persisted in Ghana after colonialism, but also that the beliefs and practices of this modern society all occur within a global racial hierarchy. In doing so, she provides a powerful articulation of race on the continent and a new way of understanding contemporary Africa—and the modern African diaspora.

**Jemima Pierre** teaches in the Program in African American and Diaspora Studies at Vanderbilt University.

## Questioning Secularism

Islam, Sovereignty, and the Rule of Law in Modern Egypt

HUSSEIN ALI AGRAMA

The central question of the Arab Spring—what democracies should look like in the deeply religious countries of the Middle East—has developed into a vigorous debate over these nations' secular identities. But what, exactly, is secularism? What has the West's long familiarity with it inevitably obscured? In *Questioning Secularism*, Hussein Ali Agrama tackles these questions. Focusing on the fatwa councils and family law courts of Egypt just prior to the revolution, he delves deeply into the meaning of secularism itself and the ambiguities that lie at its heart.

Drawing on a precedent-setting case arising from the family law courts—the last courts in Egypt to use Shari'a law—Agrama shows that secularism is a historical phenomenon that works

through a series of paradoxes that it creates. Digging beneath the perceived differences between the West and Middle East, he highlights secularism's dependence on the law and the problems that arise from it: the necessary involvement of state sovereign power in managing the private spiritual lives of citizens and the irreducible set of legal ambiguities such a relationship creates. Navigating a complex landscape between private and public domains, *Questioning Secularism* lays important groundwork for understanding the *real* meaning of secularism as it affects the *real* freedoms of a citizenry, an understanding of the utmost importance for so many countries that are now urgently facing new political possibilities.

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## Lifeworlds

Essays in Existential Anthropology

MICHAEL JACKSON

Michael Jackson's *Lifeworlds* is a masterful collection of essays, the culmination of a career aimed at understanding the relationship between anthropology and philosophy. Seeking the truths that are found in the interstices between examiner and examined, world and word, and body and mind, and taking inspiration from James, Dewey, Arendt, Husserl, Sartre, Camus, and, especially, Merleau-Ponty, Jackson creates in these chapters a distinctive anthropological pursuit of existential inquiry. More important, he buttresses this philosophical approach with committed empirical research.

Traveling from the Kuranko in Sierra Leone to the Maori in New Zealand to the Warlpiri in Australia, Jackson ar-

gues that anthropological subjects continually negotiate—imaginatively, practically, and politically—their relations with the forces surrounding them and the resources they find in themselves or in solidarity with significant others. At the same time that they mirror facets of the larger world, they also help shape it. Stitching the themes, peoples, and locales of these essays into a sustained argument for a philosophical anthropology that focuses on the places between, Jackson offers a pragmatic understanding of how people act to make their lives more viable, to grasp the elusive, to counteract external powers, and to turn abstract possibilities into embodied truths.

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Michael Jackson is the Distinguished Visiting Professor of World Religions at the Harvard Divinity School.

**“Questioning Secularism is an important book. The discussions of the fatwa alone would warrant praise, but there is much more: the exploration of how the secular state produces its own ambiguities is very engaging; the idea that different fora might employ related sources of legitimacy is handled with considerable deftness; the argument that the fatwa is a different sort of journey than the court proceeding is pursued with great care and insight. The overall result, then, is a work one can get one’s teeth into in the best sense of the word.”**

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## Touching Encounters

Sex, Work, and Male-for-Male Internet Escorting

KEVIN WALBY

Often depicted as deviant or pathological by public health researchers, psychoanalysts, and sexologists, male-with-male sex and sex work is, in fact, an increasingly mainstream pursuit. Based on a qualitative investigation of the practices involved in male-for-male—or m4m—Internet escorting, *Touching Encounters* is the first book to explicitly address how masculinity and sexuality shape male commercial sex in this era of Internet communications.

By looking closely at the sex and work of male escorts, Kevin Walby tries to reconcile the two extremes of m4m

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**Kevin Walby** is assistant professor of sociology at the University of Victoria. He is coeditor of *Emotions Matter: A Relational Approach to Emotions* and *Brokering Access: Power, Politics, and Freedom of Information Process in Canada*. He is also the Prisoners’ Struggles editor for the *Journal of Prisoners on Prisons*.

## SuperVision

An Introduction to the Surveillance Society

JOHN GILLIOM and TORIN MONAHAN

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Gilliom and Monahan are among the foremost experts on surveillance and society, and, with *SuperVision*, they offer an immensely accessible and engaging guide, giving readers the tools to understand and to question how deeply surveillance has been woven into the fabric of our everyday lives.

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**John Gilliom** is professor in the Department of Political Science at Ohio University. He is the author of *Overseers of the Poor* and *Surveillance, Privacy, and the Law*. **Torin Monahan** is associate professor in the Department of Human and Organizational Development at Vanderbilt University. He is the author of several books, including, most recently, *Surveillance in the Time of Insecurity*.

## Dominatrix

Gender, Eroticism, and Control in the Dungeon

DANIELLE J. LINDEMANN

Our lives are full of small tensions, our closest relationships full of struggle: between woman and man, artist and customer, purist and commercialist, professional and client—and between the dominant and the submissive.

In *Dominatrix*, Danielle J. Lindemann draws on extensive fieldwork and interviews with professional dominatrices in New York City and San Francisco to offer a sophisticated portrait of these unusual specialists, their work, and their clients. Prior research on sex work has focused primarily on prostitutes and most studies of BDSM absorb *prodomme/client* relationships without

exploring the professional aspect that makes them unique. Lindemann satisfies our curiosity about these paid encounters, shining a light on one of the most secretive and least understood of personal relationships and unthreading a heretofore unexamined patch of our social tapestry. Upending the idea that these erotic laborers engage in simple exchanges and revealing the therapeutic and analytic nature of their work, Lindemann makes a major contribution to cultural studies, sociology, and queer studies with her analysis of how gender, power, sexuality, and hierarchy shape all of our social experiences.

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## Documenting Intimate Matters

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**Thomas A. Foster** is associate professor and chair of the Department of History at DePaul University. He is the author of *Sex and the Eighteenth-Century Man: Massachusetts and the History of Sexuality in America* and the editor of *Long Before Stonewall: Histories of Same-Sex Sexuality in Early America* and *New Men: Manliness in Early America*.

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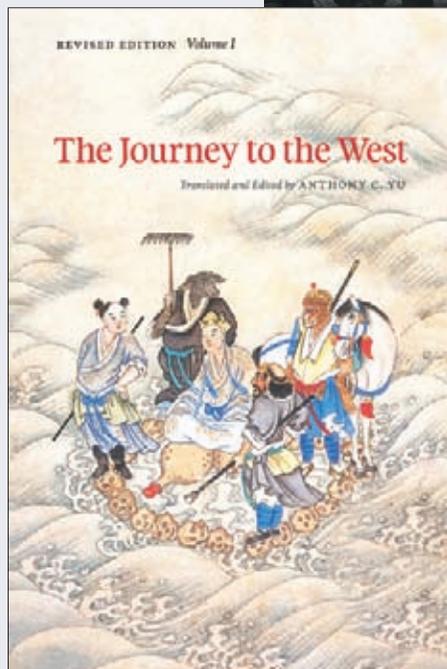
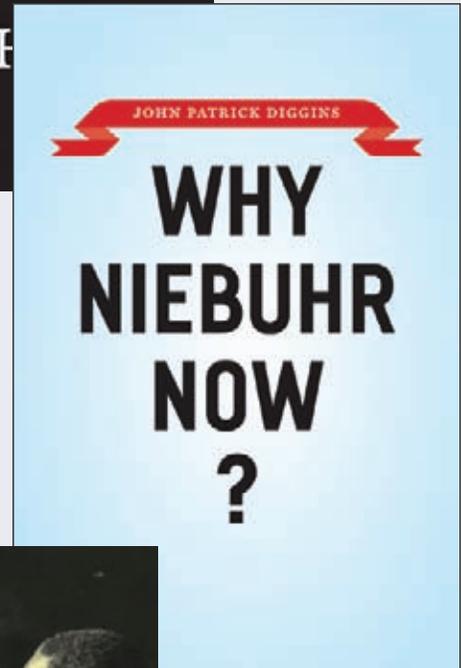
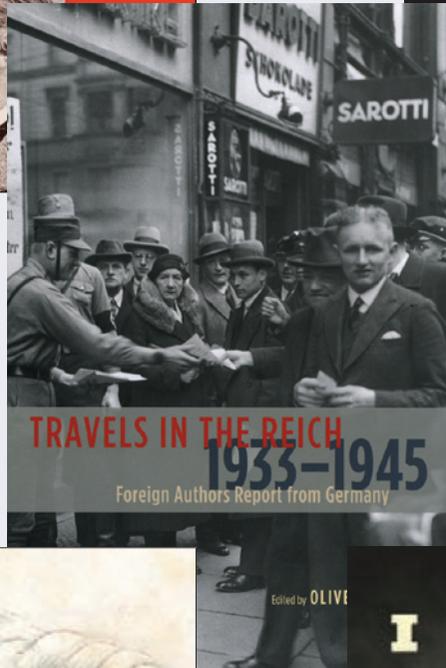
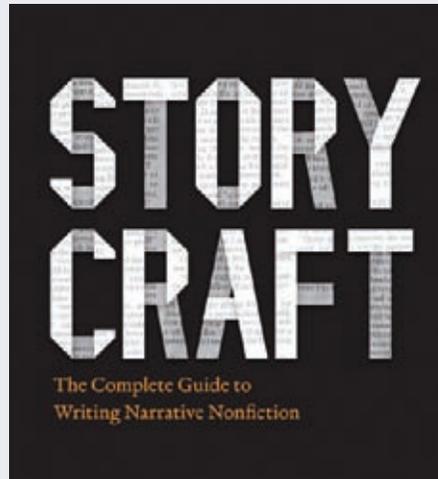
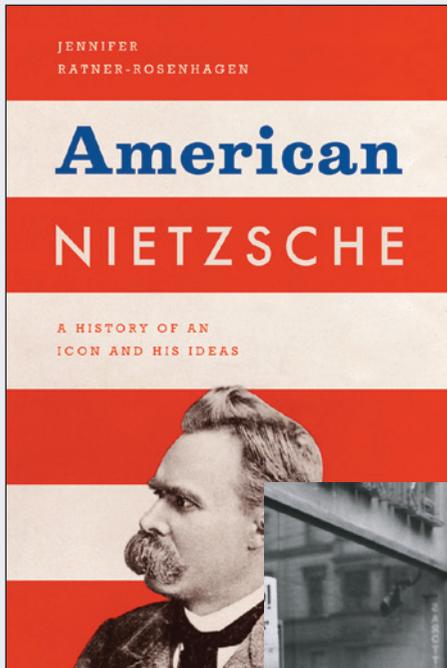
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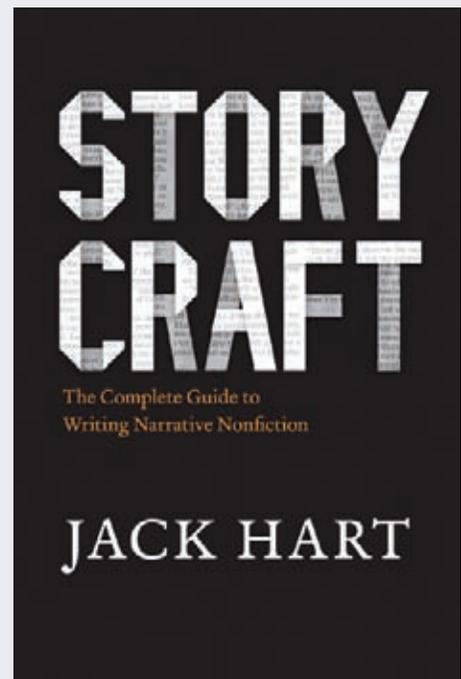
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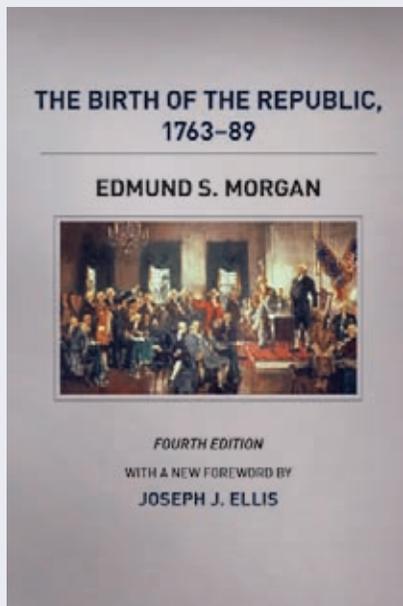
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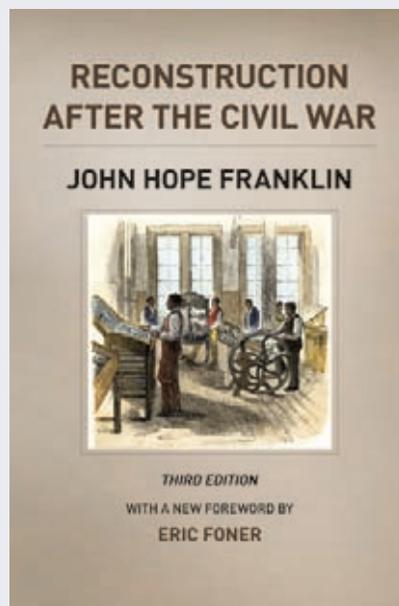
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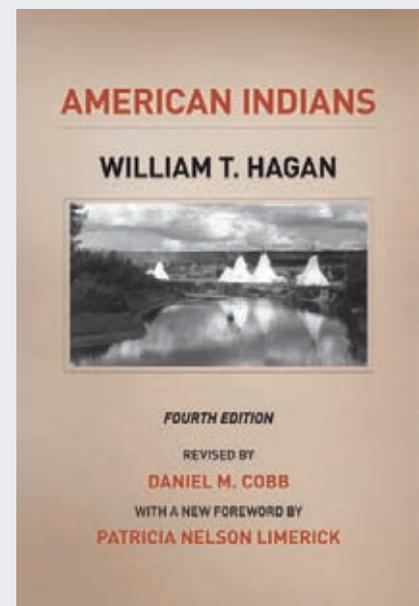
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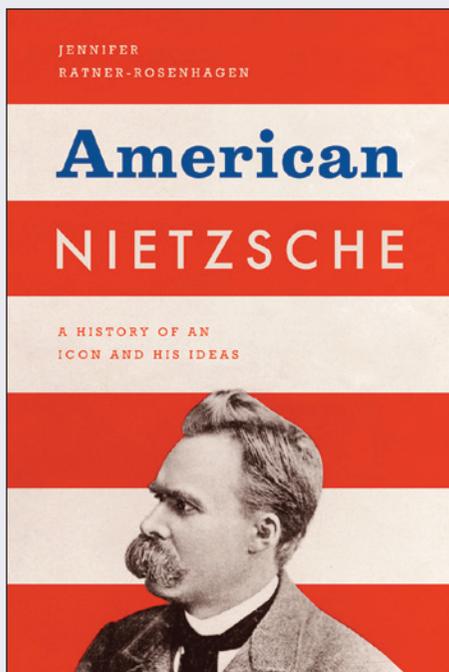
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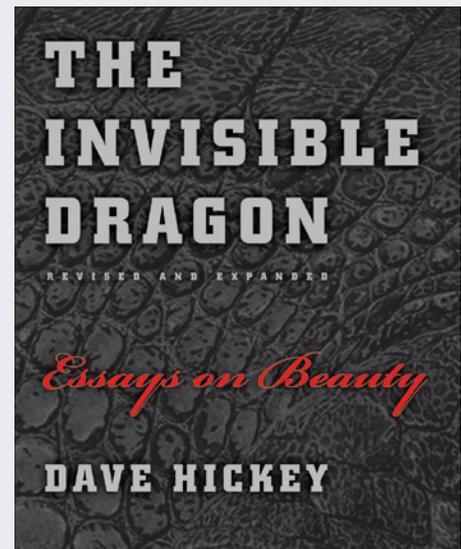
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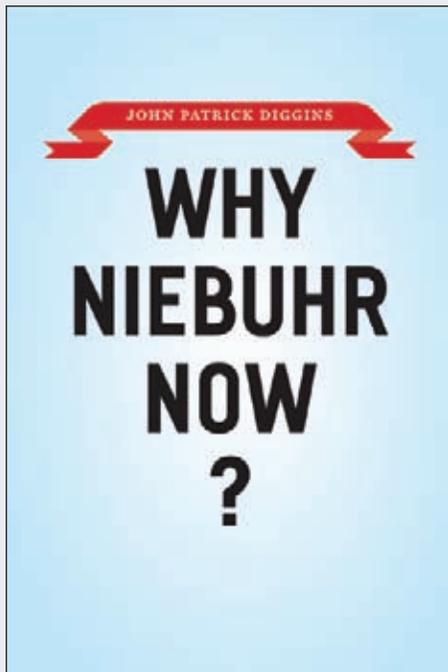
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In *Why Niebuhr Now?* acclaimed historian John Patrick Diggins tackles the complicated question of why, at a time of great uncertainty about America’s proper role in the world, leading politicians and thinkers are turning to Niebuhr for answers. Diggins begins by clearly and carefully working through Niebuhr’s theology, which focuses less on God’s presence than his absence—and the ways that absence abets the all-too-human sin of pride. He then shows how that theology informed Niebuhr’s worldview, leading him to be at the same time a strong opponent of fascism and communism and a leading advocate for humility and caution in foreign policy.

Turning to the present, Diggins highlights what he argues is a misuse of Niebuhr’s legacy on both the right and the left: while neo-conservatives distort Niebuhr’s arguments to support their call for an endless war on terror in the name of stopping evil, many liberal interventionists conveniently ignore Niebuhr’s fundamental doubts about power. Ultimately, Niebuhr’s greatest lesson is that, while it is our duty to struggle for good, we must be wary of hubris and acknowledge the limits of our understanding.

The final work from a distinguished writer who spent his entire career reflecting on America’s history and promise, *Why Niebuhr Now?* is a compact and perceptive book that will be the starting point for all future discussions of Niebuhr.

**John Patrick Diggins** (1935–2009) was distinguished professor at the City University of New York and the author of many books, including *Eugene O’Neill’s America* and *The Promise of Pragmatism*, both published by the University of Chicago Press.

**PETER CORNING**

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# The Fair Society

## The Science of Human Nature and the Pursuit of Social Justice

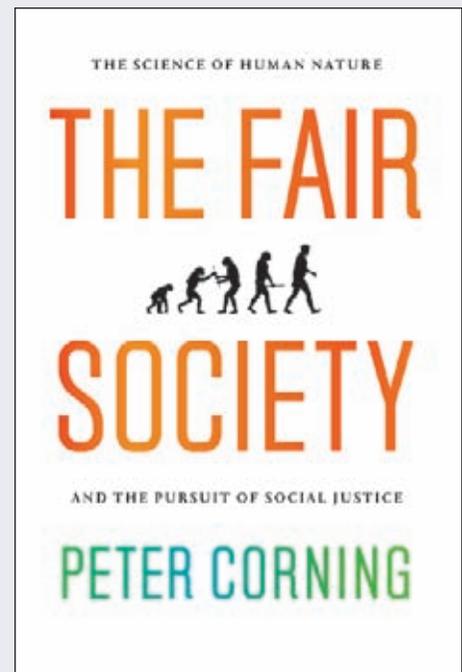
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**Peter Corning** is the director of the Institute for the Study of Complex Systems, a onetime writer for *Newsweek*, professor at Stanford University, and the author of several books.

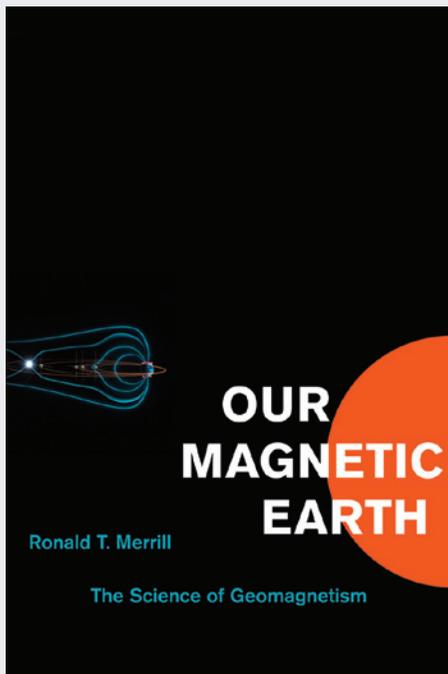


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# Our Magnetic Earth

## The Science of Geomagnetism

**F**or the general public, magnetism often seems more the province of new age quacks, movie mad scientists, and grade-school teachers than an area of actual, ongoing scientific inquiry.

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**Ronald T. Merrill** is professor emeritus of earth and space sciences at the University of Washington. In 2002 he was awarded the John Adam Fleming Medal of the American Geophysical Union.

**BOB RIESMAN**

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# I Feel So Good

## The Life and Times of Big Bill Broonzy

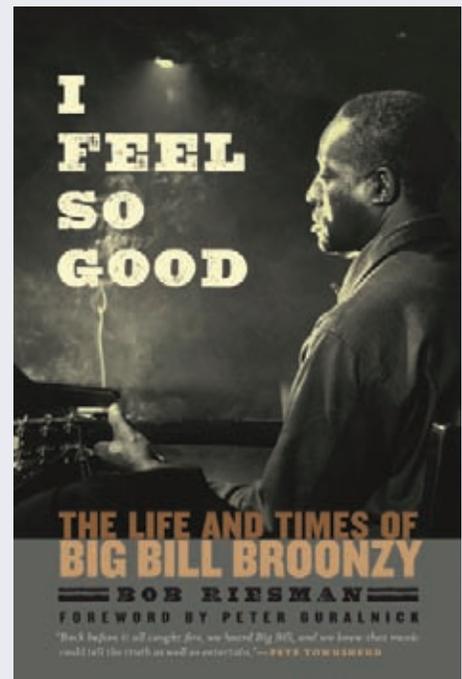
*With a Foreword by Peter Guralnick and an Appreciation by  
Pete Townshend*

A major figure in American blues and folk music, Big Bill Broonzy (1903–58) left his Arkansas Delta home after World War I, headed north, and became the leading Chicago bluesman of the 1930s. His success came as he fused traditional rural blues with the electrified sound that was beginning to emerge in Chicago. This, however, was just one step in his remarkable journey: Big Bill was constantly reinventing himself, both in reality and in his retellings of it. Bob Riesman's groundbreaking biography tells the compelling life story of a lost figure from the annals of music history.

*I Feel So Good* traces Big Bill's career from his rise as a nationally prominent blues star, including his historic 1938 appearance at Carnegie Hall, to his influential role in the post–World War II folk revival, when he sang about racial injustice alongside Pete Seeger and Studs Terkel. Riesman's account brings the reader into the jazz clubs and concert halls of Europe, as Big Bill's overseas tours in the 1950s ignited the British blues-rock explosion of the 1960s. Interviews with Eric Clapton, Pete Townshend, and Ray Davies reveal Broonzy's profound impact on the British rockers who would follow him and change the course of popular music.

Along the way, Riesman details Big Bill's complicated and poignant personal saga: he was married three times and became a father at the very end of his life to a child half a world away. He also brings to light Big Bill's final years, when he lost first his voice, then his life, to cancer, just as his international reputation was reaching its peak. Featuring many rarely seen photos, as well as a foreword by the celebrated music writer and historian Peter Guralnick, *I Feel So Good* will be the definitive account of Big Bill Broonzy's life and music.

**Bob Riesman** is coeditor of *Chicago Folk: Images of the Sixties Music Scene: The Photographs of Raeburn Flerlage*. He produced and cowrote the television documentary *American Roots Music: Chicago*, and was a contributor to Routledge's *Encyclopedia of the Blues*.

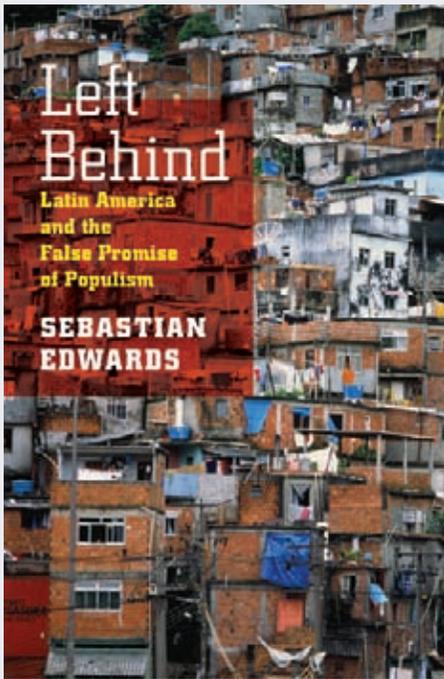


**“Bob Riesman’s account of Broonzy’s career in Chicago, Paris, London, and later on the US folk circuit with Peter Seeger and others, is as dense and detailed as it is clear and straightforward. . . . *I Feel So Good* is a well-written, beautifully produced account of a life lived in performance.”**

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SEBASTIAN EDWARDS

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The political and economic history of Latin America has been marked by great hopes and even greater disappointments. Despite abundant resources—and a history of productivity and wealth—in recent decades the region has fallen further and further behind developed nations, surpassed even by other developing economies in Southeast Asia and elsewhere.

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**Sebastian Edwards** is the Henry Ford II Professor of International Economics at the Anderson Graduate School of Management at the University of California, Los Angeles.

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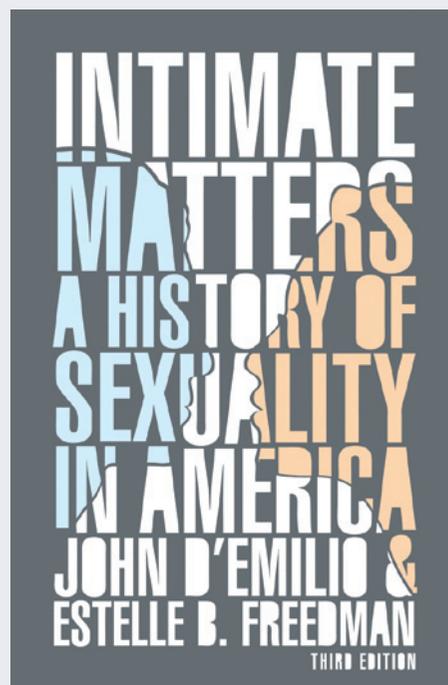
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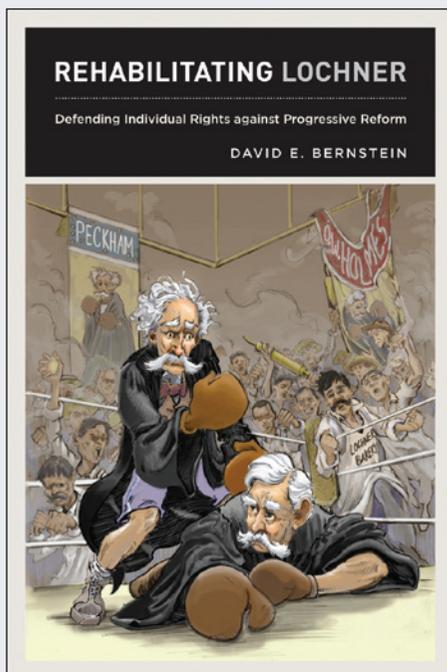
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# Rehabilitating Lochner

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Tracing the influence of this decision through subsequent battles over segregation laws, sex discrimination, civil liberties, and more, *Rehabilitating Lochner* argues not only that the court acted reasonably in *Lochner*, but that *Lochner* and like-minded cases have been widely misunderstood and unfairly maligned ever since.

“As every law student knows, *Lochner* was a case in which a court packed with business sympathizers stuck it to the little guy in a shameless display of judicial activism. But, like a surprisingly large number of things everyone knows, this conventional wisdom is almost entirely wrong, and David E. Bernstein’s new book, *Rehabilitating Lochner*, makes clear just how wrong it is—and how and why the *Lochner* narrative became established in the legal academy. . . . The false narrative of *Lochner* has controlled the past for decades but Bernstein’s clear and incisive work may wrest that control away and move us back to the truth.”—Glenn Reynolds, *Commentary*

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**David E. Bernstein** is a Foundation Professor at the George Mason University School of Law and the author of several books, including, most recently, *You Can’t Say That! The Growing Threat to Civil Liberties from Antidiscrimination Laws*.

KENNETH GROSS

# Puppet

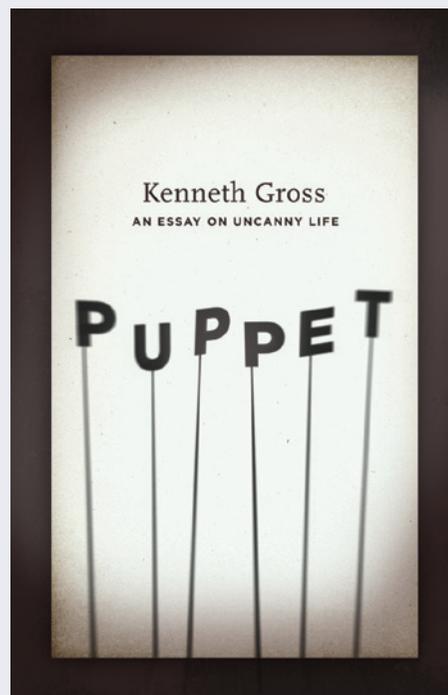
## An Essay on Uncanny Life

The puppet creates delight and fear. It may evoke the innocent play of childhood, or become a tool of ritual magic, able to negotiate with ghosts and gods. Puppets can be creepy things, secretive, inanimate while also full of spirit, alive with gesture and voice. In this eloquent book, Kenneth Gross contemplates the fascination of these unsettling objects—objects that are also actors and images of life.

The poetry of the puppet is central here, whether in its blunt grotesquery or symbolic simplicity, and always in its talent for metamorphosis. On a meditative journey to seek the idiosyncratic shapes of puppets on stage, Gross looks at the anarchic Punch and Judy show, the sacred shadow theater of Bali, and experimental theaters in Europe and the United States, where puppets enact everything from Baroque opera and Shakespearean tragedy to Beckettian farce. Throughout, he interweaves accounts of the myriad faces of the puppet in literature—Collodi's cruel, wooden Pinocchio, puppet-like characters in Kafka and Dickens, Rilke's puppet-angels, the dark puppeteering of Philip Roth's Mickey Sabbath—as well as in the work of artists Joseph Cornell and Paul Klee. The puppet emerges here as a hungry creature, seducer and destroyer, demon and clown. It is a test of our experience of things, of the human and inhuman. A book about reseeing what we know, or what we think we know, *Puppet* evokes the startling power of puppets as mirrors of the uncanny in life and art.

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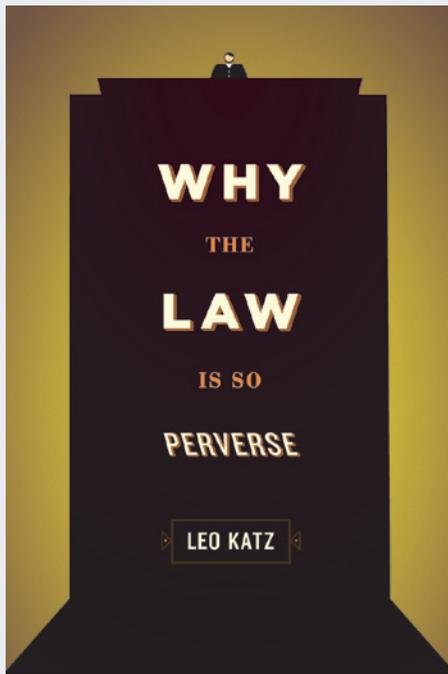
**Kenneth Gross** teaches English at the University of Rochester and is the author, most recently, of *Shylock Is Shakespeare*, also published by the University of Chicago Press.



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**Leo Katz** is the Frank Carano Professor of Law at the University of Pennsylvania Law School. He is the author of *Bad Acts and Guilty Minds: Conundrums of the Criminal Law* and *Ill-Gotten Gains: Evasion, Blackmail, Fraud, and Kindred Puzzles of the Law*, both published by the University of Chicago Press.

**“*Why the Law Is So Perverse* is a terrific book. It is original in its general conception and creative in all the particularities of its execution. And in bringing the social choice argument to the law and legal problems, Leo Katz has made an important and novel academic contribution.”**

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LAURENCE LAMPERT

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**Laurence Lampert** is emeritus professor of philosophy at Indiana University–Purdue University Indianapolis. He is the author of four other books, including *Leo Strauss and Nietzsche*, also published by the University of Chicago Press, and *Nietzsche and Modern Times: A Study of Bacon, Descartes, and Nietzsche*.

## The Soul of the Greeks

An Inquiry

MICHAEL DAVIS

The understanding of the soul in the West has been profoundly shaped by Christianity, and its influence can be seen in certain assumptions often made about the soul: that, for example, if it does exist, it is separable from the body, free, immortal, and potentially pure. The ancient Greeks, however, conceived of the soul quite differently. In this ambitious new work, Michael Davis analyzes works by Homer, Herodotus, Euripides, Plato, and Aristotle to reveal how the ancient Greeks portrayed and understood what he calls “the fully human soul.”

Beginning with the *Iliad*, Davis lays out the tension within the soul of Achilles between immortality and life. He then turns to Aristotle's work

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**Michael Davis** is professor of philosophy at Sarah Lawrence College.

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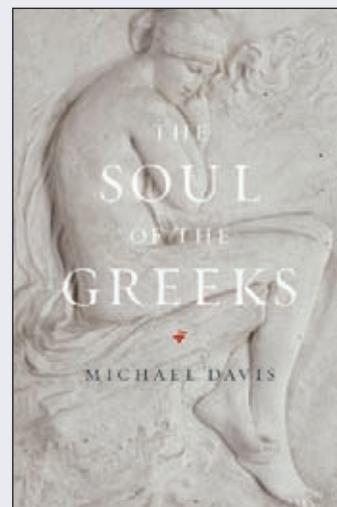
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## Plato's Philosophers

The Coherence of the Dialogues

CATHERINE H. ZUCKERT

Faced with the difficult task of discerning Plato's true ideas from the contradictory voices he used to express them, scholars have never fully made sense of the many incompatibilities within and between the dialogues. In the magisterial *Plato's Philosophers*, Catherine H. Zuckert explains for the first time how these prose dramas cohere to reveal a comprehensive Platonic understanding of philosophy.

To expose this coherence, Zuckert examines the dialogues not in their supposed order of composition but according to the dramatic order in which Plato indicates they took place. This unconventional arrangement lays bare

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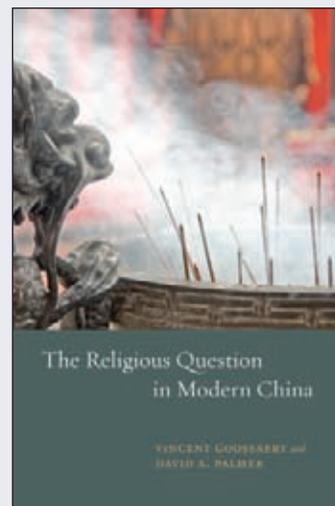
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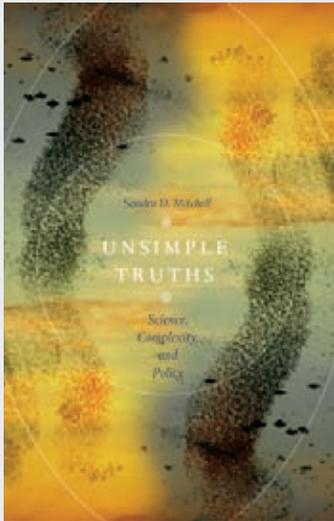
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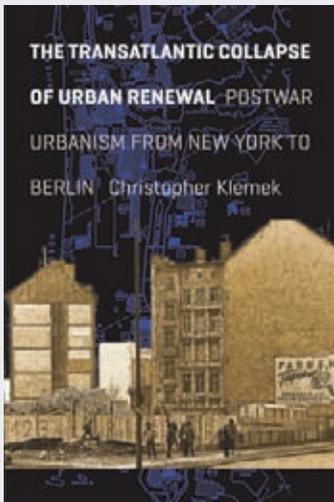
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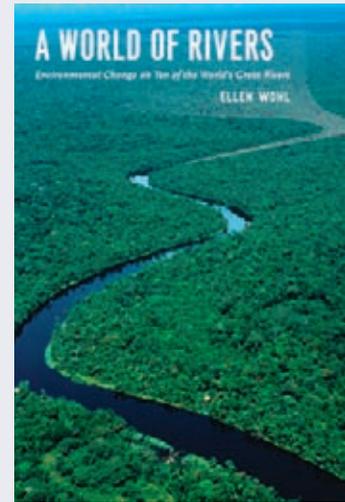
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