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Strike for the Common Good
Fighting for the Future of Public Education
Rebecca Kolins Givan and Amy Schrager Lang, Editors

Teachers, students, parents, and scholars collectively narrate the current wave of teachers’ strikes in the U.S.

In February 2018, 35,000 public school educators and staff walked off the job in West Virginia, followed by more than 100,000 teachers in other states over the next year. Across the nation, teacher walkouts have affirmed public benefit, showing that the rampant disinvestment in public education is not simply a local issue affecting teacher paychecks but is also a danger to communities and to democracy.

Strike for the Common Good gathers original essays written by teachers involved in strikes nationwide, by students and parents who have supported them, and by outside analysts (academic and otherwise). Together, the essays consider the place of these strikes in the broader landscape of recent labor organizing and battles over public education, and its impact on the largely female workforce and, often, largely nonwhite student population of America’s schools.

Rebecca Kolins Givan is Associate Professor of Labor Studies and Employment Relations at Rutgers University. Amy Schrager Lang is Professor Emerita, Syracuse University.

“The future of public education hangs in the balance. As this book shows, only teachers can save it for future generations.”
—Diane Ravitch, Research Professor of Education, NYU

“Some of the most important voices on the recent wave of teachers strikes . . . an impressive, timely collection.”
—Jesse Sharkey, President, Chicago Teachers Union

“Strike for the Common Good promises to be the definitive source for learning about the current wave of teachers’ strikes.”
—Chris Tilly, Professor of Urban Planning and Sociology, UCLA

You May Also Be Interested In:
i used to love to dream
A.D. Carson

Fourteen tracks that use hip-hop creative and compositional practices to interrogate the idea of home

*i used to love to dream* is a mixtape/essay that performs hip-hop scholarship using sampled and live instrumentation; repurposed music, film, and news clips; and original rap lyrics. As a genre, the mixtape/essay brings together the mixtape—a self-produced or independently released album issued free of charge to gain publicity—and the personal and scholarly essay.

A.D. Carson names Decatur, Illinois—his hometown—as a reference point for rapped ruminations about the ideas of growing up, moving away, and pondering one’s life choices. The tracks account for moral, philosophical, and ethical dimensions underlying unease about authenticity, highlighting outlooks on Black life generally, and Black manhood in particular, in the United States.

The tracks accompany liner notes, a short documentary about the making of the mixtape/essay, and accompanying articles to provide context for listeners both in and outside of classrooms.

A.D. Carson is Assistant Professor of Hip Hop and the Global South at the University of Virginia.

“*While a slew of scholarship over the past twenty-five years has situated hip-hop as artistic expression with both didactic and symbolic intellectual content, Carson’s professorial and artistic concerns push this assumption to another level. Carson uses the art of music to participate equally with literature as a form of cultural criticism.*”

—Guthrie Ramsey, University of Pennsylvania

“*i used to love to dream breaks new ground, speaks to compelling issues in our time, and is clearly rooted in both scholarship and Black rhetorical traditions, even as it intervenes in both.*”

—Adam Banks, Stanford University

“*Carson gives us a dope critical process of inhaling and engaging today’s most pressing questions about home and national identity, empire and the geography of oppression, and the intimate politics of survival and transformation. I urge you to spend time with this project. Submerge your entire body in it. Argue with it. Demand that it explain why it approaches things the way it does. I’m not sure if disciplines—as currently embodied—deserve or can handle this hit, but all of us need what is revealed on this journey.*”

—Chenjerai Kumanyika, Rutgers University
Top Left: Map of Decatur, Illinois & its major surrounding cities

Above: A.D. Carson & Xolile “X” Madinda at The Black Power Station in Makhanda, South Africa | Photo by Jason Bennett

Right: A.D. Carson performing at the Notes on the State podcast launch event at The Bridge Progressive Art Initiative in Charlottesville, Virginia | Photo by James Perla

Below: Author’s grandparents, Alice and John W. Carson, at their home on the South Side of Decatur, Illinois in 1974
Filtering Histories
The Photographic Bureaucracy in Mozambique, 1960 to Recent Times
Drew A. Thompson

Highlights the role of photography and other aesthetic practices in state formation and bureaucratic transition.

When the Mozambique Liberation Front came to power, it invested substantial human and financial resources in institutional structures involving photography, and used them to insert the nation into global debates over photography’s use. The materiality of the photographs created had effects that neither the colonial nor post-colonial state could have imagined. Filtering Histories tells a history of photography alongside state formation to understand the processes of decolonization and state development after colonial rule. Thompson recreates through oral histories and archival research the procedures and regulations that engulfed the practice and circulation of photography. Filtering Histories introduces the popular and material formations of portraiture and photojournalism that informed photography’s production, circulation, and archiving in a place like Mozambique. The book reveals how the use of photography by the colonial state and the liberation movement overlapped, as well as the role that photography played in the transition of power from colonialism to independence.

Drew A. Thompson is Associate Professor of Historical and Africana Studies and Director of Africana Studies, Bard College.

“Filtering Histories is insightful and innovative in both its approach and what it says about photography in Mozambique. The author demonstrates a thorough engagement with Mozambican history and historiography, and an in-depth knowledge of the current scholarship on African photography and visuality.”

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Mel Laracey

How a dynamic, controversially elected president used the media to promote his image and policies

During his presidency, Thomas Jefferson sponsored the political newspaper, the *National Intelligencer and Washington Advertiser*. The newspaper spoke on behalf of his administration's policies and those of his anti-federalist party, the Democratic-Republicans, featuring content written or ghost-written by prominent members of the party and government. Author Mel Laracey focuses on the newspaper’s message during Jefferson’s first term, showing how the third president used media to promote his administration and its goals against its political rivals, the Federalists. *Informing a Nation* analyzes the paper’s presentation of several critical events of the time to show how Jefferson and his allies dealt with political challenges, revealing previously unexamined aspects of the early presidency and raising broad questions about the relationship between the presidency and media today.

**Mel Laracey** is Associate Professor of Political Science at the University of Texas at San Antonio.

“*Informing a Nation* presents an important and timely historical study of how Thomas Jefferson’s newspaper, the *National Intelligencer and Washington Advertiser*, influenced politics and policymaking throughout his presidency . . . With a thorough survey of the scholarly literature on the Jefferson presidency combined with careful analysis of primary newspaper sources from the period, Laracey makes an original and enduring scholarly contribution.”

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Nadezhda Kavrus-Hoffmann is an independent scholar. Pablo Alvarez is Curator of the Special Collections Research Center at the University of Michigan Library.

“Enriched with photographic material for comparison, the catalogue presents the Michigan manuscripts with codicological and paleographical data. Each item is clearly separated, well-structured, and described with perfectly technical language.”

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In Concert
Performing Musical Persona
Philip Auslander

Examining how performers engage and delight their audience through persona, appearance, and spectacle

The conventional way of understanding what musicians do as performers is to treat them as producers of sound; some even argue that it is unnecessary to see musicians in performance as long as one can hear them. But musical performance, counters Philip Auslander, is also a social interaction between musicians and their audiences, appealing as much to the eye as to the ear. In Concert addresses “musica persona”—not only the visual means by which musicians engage their audiences through costume and physical gesture, but also the spectacular aspects of performance such as light shows. The book’s analysis extends to rock, pop, classical music, jazz, blues, country, electronic music, laptop performance, and music made with experimental digital interfaces. The eclectic group of performers discussed include the Beatles, Miles Davis, Keith Urban, Lady Gaga, Nicki Minaj, Frank Zappa, B. B. King, Jefferson Airplane, Virgil Fox, Keith Jarrett, Glenn Gould, and Laurie Anderson, among others.

Philip Auslander is Professor in the School of Literature, Media, and Communication at the Georgia Institute of Technology.

“Auslander has earned a primary role in the interpretation of rock performance, especially for his approach to the expression of cultural identities and their mediation in the digital era. Scholars grapple with the myriad and complex parameters that shape musical subjectivities as they are displayed in a range of staged and mediated forms. This book will most certainly bring a larger set of readers into the fold.”
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Aristophanes’ Clouds
A Commentary
S. Douglas Olson

A new text and commentary on one of Aristophanes’ greatest and most influential plays

Aristophanes’ Clouds has become a central text in the Western intellectual tradition, because it represents the best contemporary evidence for the life and teachings of the Athenian philosopher Socrates. This volume is the first substantial scholarly edition of Clouds since 1968 and includes a new Greek text of the play, a substantial introduction with particular attention to Aristophanes’ presentation of Socrates, and a commentary that raises a wide range of linguistic, cultural, literary, and historical concerns. Three appendices include the fragments of the original Clouds, other contemporary fragments of Athenian comedy that refer to Socrates or his collaborator Chaerephon, and a complete metrical analysis of the play’s songs. The commentary is aimed at intermediate students of classical Greek but is also accessible to a wide range of readers, including classicists on every level, philosophers interested in the Socratic tradition, and theater professionals concerned with staging and the cultural and intellectual background to the action.

S. Douglas Olson is Distinguished McKnight University Professor of Classical and Near Eastern Studies, University of Minnesota.

“This commentary, by one of the most distinguished scholars of Aristophanes, is exemplary for its clarity and balance. It’s not overly cluttered with detailed scholarly discussion that could prove distracting to the user, but at the same time treats the reader as a serious student with genuine interests in the text and gives a taste of where the larger controversies lie. This edition will be universally welcomed and admired by anyone who has ever taught Clouds to a contemporary undergraduate and graduate audience.”
—Ralph M. Rosen, University of Pennsylvania

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Foodways in Roman Republican Italy
Laura M. Banducci

Uncovering Roman Republican life through food

Foodways in Roman Republican Italy explores the production, preparation, and consumption of food and drink in Republican Italy to illuminate the nature of cultural change during this period. Traditionally, studies of the cultural effects of Roman contact and conquest have focused on observing changes in the public realm: that is, changing urban organization and landscape, and monumental construction. Foodways studies reach into the domestic realm: how do the daily behaviors of individuals express their personal identity, and how does this relate to changes and expressions of identity in broader society? Laura M. Banducci tracks through time the foodways of three sites in Etruria from about the third century BCE to the first century CE: Populonia, Musarna, and Cetamura del Chianti. The book examines the morphology and use wear of ceramics used for cooking, preparing, and serving food to deduce cooking methods and the types of foods being prepared and consumed.

Laura M. Banducci is Associate Professor of Greek and Roman Studies at Carleton University.

“Foodways in Roman Republican Italy presents a distinctive methodology for a more holistic analysis of ceramic data, drawing on attributes not routinely recorded or discussed in scholarship on Roman ceramics or foodways. The book justifies the need for a new approach to Roman foodways based primarily on ceramic evidence, and gives room to explore the implications of the findings in detail. This is a genuinely innovative analysis of original materials and data, sensibly conceived and producing thought-provoking results.”
—Martin Pitts, University of Exeter
Left: Map of Italy showing location of the study sites (adapted from Rebillard 2009, fig. 6).

Above: Photograph of an intact olla with blackening on exterior in location 9 (MUS 4735).

Below: Examples of reconstructed common ware jugs at Musarna (MUS 2364, 5755, 4891).
Ancient Latin Poetry Books

*Materiality and Context*

Gabriel Nocchi Macedo

*Presents the first comprehensive study of the oldest surviving physical manuscripts of Latin secular poetry*

Before the invention of printing, all forms of writing were done by hand. *Ancient Latin Poetry Books* presents a detailed study of the oldest manuscripts still extant that contain texts by Latin poets, such as Virgil, Terence, and Ovid. Analyzing their physical characteristics, their script, and the historical contexts in which they were produced and used, this volume shows how manuscripts can help us gain a better understanding of the history of texts, as well as of reading habits over the centuries. Macedo investigates the readership and reception of Latin poetry in many different contexts, such as schools in the Egyptian desert, aristocratic circles in southern Italy, and the Christian elite in late antique Rome. This is an innovative approach to the study of ancient literature that contributes to our knowledge about the use of writing and the importance of the written text in antiquity.

Gabriel Nocchi Macedo is Postdoctoral Fellow at Fonds National de la Recherche Scientifique, Belgium.

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Grief and the Hero

*The Futility of Longing in the Iliad*

Emily P. Austin

*A new understanding of Achilles’ grief for Patroklos in the Iliad*

*Grief and the Hero* examines Achilles' experience of the futility of grief in the context of the *Iliad*’s study of anger. No action can undo his friend Patroklos’ death, but the experience of death drives him to behave as though he can achieve something restorative. Rather than assuming that grief gives rise to anger, as most scholars have done, *Grief and the Hero* pays close attention to the poem’s representation of the origin of these emotions. The *Iliad* depicts Achilles’ grief as the rupture of shared life—an insight that generates a new way of reading the epic. *Grief and the Hero* will appeal not only to scholars and students of Homer but to all humanists. Loss, longing, and even revenge touch many human lives, and the insights of the *Iliad* have broad resonance.

Emily P. Austin is Assistant Professor of Classics and the College, University of Chicago.
Critical Excess
Watch the Throne and the New Gilded Age
J. Griffith Rollefson

The music of Jay-Z and Kanye West as a critique of capitalism and Eurocentric notions of luxury

Jay-Z and Kanye West’s 2011 Watch the Throne is a self-avowed “luxury rap” album centered on Eurocentric conceptions of nobility, artistry, and haute couture. Critical Excess performs a close reading of the sonic and social commentary on this album, examining how the album alternately imagines and critiques the mutually reinforcing ideas of Europe, nobility, old money, art, and their standard bearer, whiteness. Reading the album alongside Black critical theory and work on the prophetic nature of music, Rollefson argues that through their performance of Black excellence, opulence, and decadence, Jay-Z and Kanye West poured gas on the white resentment of the Obama presidency that would ultimately spill over into public life and embolden the Far Right and white supremacists. Ultimately, Rollefson argues, Jay-Z and Kanye West’s performance of what Rollefson calls “critical excess” on this album heralds the final stage of late capitalism—“the New Gilded Age.”

J. Griffith Rollefson is Professor of Music at University College Cork, National University of Ireland. Rollefson is author of Flip the Script: European Hip Hop and the Politics of Postcoloniality.

“This is an excellent book with a highly original thesis and thorough theoretical analyses of the album and its related themes. Rollefson has a flair for prose that is at once academic and performative.”
—Justin A. Williams, University of Bristol

“Rollefson does a solid job of establishing that Watch the Throne was mostly received as a tasteless flaunting of wealth, then presses that reception and offers something far more compelling and rooted in deep histories of double—and triple—meanings in Black arts and cultures. The argument becomes particularly timely in the way Rollefson ties the album’s performance to the contemporary political moment on both sides of the English-speaking Atlantic.”
—Justin D. Burton, Rider University

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Translocas
The Politics of Puerto Rican Drag and Trans Performance
Lawrence La Fountain-Stokes

Argues for the political potential of drag and trans performance in Puerto Rico and its diaspora

Translocas focuses on drag and transgender performance and activism in Puerto Rico and its diaspora. Lawrence La Fountain-Stokes explores the sociocultural disruptions caused by Latin American and Latinx “locas” (effeminate men, drag queens, transgender performers, and unruly women) and the various forms of violence that queer individuals face. This interdisciplinary, auto-ethnographic, queer-of-color performance studies book explores the lives and work of contemporary performers and activists, television programs, films, and literary works. La Fountain-Stokes, a drag performer himself, demonstrates how these performances provide a means to explore and critique issues of gender, sexuality, race, class, poverty, national identity, and migratory displacement. He also pays careful attention to transgender experience, highlighting how trans activists and performers mold their bodies, promote social change, and create community in a context that oscillates between glamour and abjection.

Lawrence La Fountain-Stokes is Professor of American Culture, Romance Languages and Literatures, and Women’s Studies, University of Michigan.

“Impeccably researched and offering a wealth of information about Puerto Rican drag and trans performance, this book succeeds in summarizing and explaining a diverse, complex and polemical visual, literary and scholarly corpus—and proposing theoretically innovative and compelling, decolonial readings of Puerto Rican performative cultures.”

—Arnaldo Cruz-Malavé, Fordham University

“Translocas connects a range of artistic, cultural, and political activists/performers to offer a complex view of Puerto Rican-diaspora contexts in contemporary-global times, and presents a historical account of artists, performers, and activists who have played an important role in LGBTQ culture and across socio-political and cultural spheres in Puerto Rico and its diaspora.”

—Jossiana Arroyo-Martínez, University of Texas

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Top right: Cristina Hayworth, Sylvia Rivera, and Julia Murray, photo by Luis Carle.

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Above left: Erika Lopez as Kitten Lopez in The Welfare Queen. Text reads “Kitten Lopez, one of the puerto rican girls that’s just dyin’ to meat ya.” Photo by James Swanson. Art direction by Jeffrey Hicken.

Above right: Jorge B. Merced performing as Loca la de la Locura in El bolero fue mi ruina, 2006. Photo by Erika Rojas.
Ghostly Fragments
Essays on Shakespeare and Performance
Barbara C. Hodgdon
Edited by Richard Abel and Peter Holland

Collects the keenly intelligent, witty essays of this revered scholar of Shakespeare & performance studies

Ghostly Fragments gathers the essays of the late Barbara C. Hodgdon, a renowned scholar of Shakespeare and performance studies. The editors have selected essays that represent the wide sweep of Hodgdon’s scholarship, including unpublished pieces and those from hard-to-access sources. The volume reveals a thinker and writer who grows more self-reflective over time, with a distinctive, engaging, often wryly humorous voice that is accessible even to non-specialist readers. The book’s five subsections—Teaching Shakespeare, Analyzing Stage Performances, Editing Shakespeare Texts, Analyzing Shakespeare Films, and “Shopping” in the Shakespeare Archives—collectively confirm the originality and élan of Hodgdon’s thinking and writing, revealing her as a natural essayist and stylist. The collection is unique in not only collecting so much of Hodgdon’s work in one place (with an extensive bibliography of her published work) but also in demonstrating how groundbreaking and influential that work has been in the field.

Barbara C. Hodgdon (1932–2018) was Professor of English at the University of Michigan. Richard Abel is Emeritus Professor of International Film and Media, University of Michigan. Peter Holland is McMeel Family Professor in Shakespeare Studies, University of Notre Dame.

Queer Nightlife
Kemi Adeyemi, Kareem Khubchandani, and Ramón H. Rivera-Servera, Editors

Evocative essays and interviews that celebrate the expressive possibilities of a world after dark

The mass shooting at a queer Latin Night in Orlando in July 2016 sparked a public conversation about access to pleasure and selfhood within conditions of colonization, violence, and negation. Queer Nightlife joins this conversation by centering queer and trans people of color who apprehend the risky medium of the night to explore, know, and stage their bodies, genders, and sexualities in the face of systemic and social negation. Through twenty-five essays and interviews by leading scholars and artists on “everynight life,” the book focuses on house parties, nightclubs, and bars that offer improvisatory conditions and possibilities for “stranger intimacies,” and that privilege music, dance, and sexual/gender expressions. The sections of the book move temporally from preparing for the night; to the socialities of nightclubs; to the staging and spectacle of the night; and finally, how the night continues beyond the club and after sunrise.

Kemi Adeyemi is Assistant Professor of Gender, Women, and Sexuality Studies at University of Washington. Kareem Khubchandani is Mellon Bridge Assistant Professor, Theatre, Dance, and Performance Studies at Tufts University. Ramón H. Rivera-Servera is Professor of Performance Studies at Northwestern University.
Rethinking Chinese Socialist Theaters of Reform

*Performance Practice and Debate in the Mao Era*

Xiaomei Chen, Tarryn Li-Min Chun, and Siyuan Liu, Editors

Diverse perspectives on the effort to reform modern Chinese theater according to socialist cultural policies

The profound political, economic, and social changes in China in the second half of the 20th century have produced a wealth of scholarship, but less studied is how cultural events contributed to the dynamic landscape of contemporary Chinese society. *Rethinking Chinese Socialist Theaters of Reform* fills this gap by investigating the theories and practice of socialist theater and their effects on a diverse range of genres. Focusing on the 1950s and '60s, when theater art occupied a prominent political and cultural role in Maoist China, this book examines the efforts to remake theater in a socialist image. It also explores the off-stage, lived impact of rapid policy change on individuals and troupes obscured by the public record. This multidisciplinary collection covers a wide range of perspectives, geographical locations, specific research methods, genres of performance, and individual knowledge and experience.

**Xiaomei Chen** is Distinguished Professor of Chinese Literature at the University of California, Davis. **Tarryn Li-Min Chun** is Assistant Professor in the Department of Film, Television, and Theatre at the University of Notre Dame. **Siyuan Liu** is Associate Professor of Theatre at the University of British Columbia.

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Sound Changes

*Improvisation and Transcultural Difference*

Daniel Fischlin and Eric Porter, Editors

Extends the field of improvisation studies in a more global, transcultural direction

Through a series of case studies drawn from Africa, Asia, the Americas, and Oceania, *Sound Changes* offers readers an introduction to a range of musical expressions across the globe in which improvisation plays a key role. The book demonstrates that improvisation is a vital site for the production of emergent social relationships and meanings. It situates the increasingly transcultural dimensions of improvised music in relation to emergent networks and technologies, changing patterns of migration and immigration, shifts in the political economy of music, and other social, cultural, and economic factors.

Improvisation studies is a recently developed, but growing, interdisciplinary field of study, and the full breadth of improvisatory practices has remained a vexed subject for the field. This volume offers a step forward, away from critical tendencies that tend to homogenize and reduce practices and vocabularies in the name of the familiar.

**Daniel Fischlin** is University Research Chair / Professor, School of English and Theatre Studies at the University of Guelph. **Eric Porter** is Professor of History, History of Consciousness, and Critical Race and Ethnic Studies at the University of California, Santa Cruz.

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Daniel Fischlin and Eric Porter
Beyond the Makerspace
Making and Relational Rhetorics
Ann Shivers-McNair

How the boundaries of making shape and are shaped by bodies, technologies, traditions, materials, things, and spaces

Makerspaces—local workshops that offer access to and training on fabrication technologies, often with a focus on creativity, education, and entrepreneurship—proliferated in the 2010s, popping up in cities across the world. Beyond the Makerspace is a longitudinal, ethnographically informed study that reads making as a kind of rhetoric, or meaning-making work, in the sense that the act of making is culturally situated and that it marks boundaries of what counts as making and who counts as maker. By focusing on a particular makerspace over time, Shivers-McNair attends to a changing cohort of makerspace regulars as they face challenges of bringing their vision of inclusivity and diversity to fruition, and offers an examination of how makers are made (and unmade, and remade) in a makerspace. The book examines what (and whose) values and practices we are taking up when we identify as makers or when we turn a writing classroom or a library space into a makerspace.

Ann Shivers-McNair is Assistant Professor of English at the University of Arizona.

“Ann Shivers-McNair’s Beyond the Makerspace: Making and Relational Rhetorics meaningfully engages audiences in computers and writing, digital humanities, and technical communication within the academy, as well as those working in non-academic maker spaces in the arts, business, and industry. Shivers-McNair’s compelling storytelling methodology substantially contributes to these conversations and practices, and to ongoing scholarly and pedagogical efforts to replicate such collaborative, multimodal, and multigenred spaces in interdisciplinary academic settings.”

—Kristine Blair, Duquesne University

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100 Years of New Media Pedagogy
Jason Palmeri and Ben McCorkle

For English teachers, new media isn’t all that: how technology has been integrated in the classroom

In 100 Years of New Media Pedagogy, authors Jason Palmeri and Ben McCorkle demonstrate that teachers have continually taught with the media technologies of their day, and often in surprisingly innovative (and sometimes problematic) ways. Combining tools including interactive graphs, audio and video production, and a good-natured sense of humor to help tell this history, 100 Years of New Media Pedagogy zooms out to identify general patterns across the century and dives in for a closer look at key moments along the timeline.

With several sample assignment descriptions and lists of best pedagogical practices and modern digital production resources, this born-digital book also offers practical advice for teachers looking to integrate media into their curriculum effectively. This text will lead readers to rethink the role English teachers have played as advocates of new media.

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Video Scholarship and Screen Composing
Daniel Anderson

Recasts expectations for scholarship and explores emerging methods of composing in the spaces of digital screens

For decades, we have heard about the potential of multimedia to transform scholarship, teaching, and composition. Most of these claims, however, have been articulated using the text-centric materials of the printed word. Video Scholarship and Screen Composing foregrounds the moving images, sounds, and words that come together in digital video, presenting an alternative to print’s linearity, logic, and argument, and opening rhetorical possibilities linked with emotions and open-ended readings.

Consisting of twelve videos, this collection asks questions about traditional composition approaches, calling attention to the competitive ways that scholars typically engage one another; the ways that scholarship often aims for closure rather than opening up meaning; and the ways that media shape understanding through complex emotional registers. As it explores these questions, Video Scholarship and Screen Composing demonstrates digital rhetoric’s potential to reach learners in ways that augment and enhance what text can accomplish.

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Aso ebi
Dress, Fashion, Visual Culture, and Urban Cosmopolitanism in West Africa
Okechukwu Nwafor

The social significance of aso ebi fashion in Nigerian and West African society

The Nigerian and West African practice of aso ebi fashion invokes notions of wealth and group dynamics in social gatherings. Okechukwu Nwafor’s volume *Aso ebi* investigates the practice in the cosmopolitan urban setting of Lagos, and argues that the visual and consumerist hype typical of the late capitalist system feeds this unique fashion practice. The results are a fetishization of various forms of commodity culture, personality cults through mass followership, the negotiation of symbolic power through mass-produced images, exchange value in human relationships through gifts, and a form of exclusion achieved through digital photo editing. Aso ebi has become an essential part of Lagos cosmopolitanism: as a rising form of a unique visual culture it is central to the unprecedented spread of a unique West African fashion style that revels in excessive textile overflow. This extreme dress style is what an individual requires to transcend the chaos of the postcolonial city.

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“There is not another book like it. The author presents a new look at aso ebi, a dress practice taken for granted and relatively ignored.”
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“Nwafor’s book fills a gap in the literature regarding the social dynamics of fashion and dress in Lagos, which is currently widely known for its high-end fashion designers, but not for how the fashion system works ‘on the ground’ in Lagos for major social events such as aso ebi.”
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Allison P. Hobgood

How disability and ableism took shape in Renaissance England

*Beholding Disability in Renaissance England* examines early modern disability, ableism, and disability gain in sixteenth- and seventeenth-century literature, purposefully employing these contemporary concepts to make clear how disability has historically been disavowed and modeling how modern ideas and terms make the weight of the past more visible as it marks the present. The work uncovers crucial counterdiscourses circulating in the English Renaissance that opposed cultural fantasies of ability and had a keen sensibility toward non-normative embodiments. Hobgood reads impairments as varied as epilepsy, stuttering, disfigurement, deafness, chronic pain, blindness, and castration in order to understand not just powerful fictions of ability present during the Renaissance but also the somewhat paradoxical, surprising ways these ableist ideals provided creative fodder for many Renaissance writers and thinkers. Ultimately, *Beholding Disability* asks us to reconsider what we think we know about being human both in early modernity and today.

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Writing Pirates
Vernacular Fiction and Oceans in Late Ming China
Yuanfei Wang

Examines writings on China’s oceanic piracy wars of the Late Ming dynasty

In *Writing Pirates*, Yuanfei Wang connects Chinese literary production to emerging discourses of pirates and the sea. In the late Ming dynasty, so-called “Japanese pirates” raided southeast coastal China, Hideyoshi invaded Korea, Europeans sailed for overseas territories, and Chinese maritime merchants and emigrants founded diaspora communities in Southeast Asia. Travel writings, histories, and fiction of the period jointly narrate pirates and China’s Orient in maritime Asia. Wang shows that the late Ming discourses of pirates and the sea were fluid, ambivalent, and dialogical. They simultaneously entailed imperialistic and personal narratives of the “other”: foreigners, renegades, migrants, and marginalized authors. At the center of the discourses, early modern concepts of empire, race, and authenticity were intensively negotiated. Connecting late Ming literature to the global maritime world, *Writing Pirates* expands current discussions of Chinese diaspora and debates on Sinophone language and identity.

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Ottoman Eurasia in Early Modern German Literature
Cultural Translations (Francisci, Happel, Speer)
Gerhild Scholz Williams

Europe and the Ottoman Empire through the perspectives of three seventeenth-century writers

Europe’s confrontation of and interaction with the Ottoman Empire in the face of what appeared to be a relentless Ottoman expansion spurred news delivery and literary production in multiple genres. The trans-European conversation stimulated by these media not only kept the public informed but provided the basis for literary conversations among many seventeenth-century writers, three of whom form the center of this inquiry: Daniel Speer (1636–1707), Eberhard Werner Happel (1647–1690), and Erasmus Francisci (1626–1694). *Ottoman Eurasia in Early Modern German Literature* explores the variety of cultural and commercial conversations between Europe and Ottoman Eurasia as they negotiated their competing economic and hegemonic interests. Brought about by travel, trade, diplomacy, and wars, these cross-cultural conversations eroded the antagonism of “us and them” as well as the notion of the European center and the Ottoman periphery.

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**Brushed in Light**

Markus Nornes

*Calligraphy’s meaning in films and film cultures of Korea, Japan, Taiwan, Hong Kong, and PRC*

*Brushed in Light* examines how the brushed word appears in films and in film cultures of Korea, Japan, Taiwan, Hong Kong, and PRC cinemas. This includes silent era intertitles, subtitles, title frames, letters, graffiti, end titles, and props. Professor Nornes also looks at the role calligraphy plays in film culture at large, from gifts to correspondence to advertising. The book begins with a historical dimension, tracking how calligraphy is initially used in early cinema and how it is continually rearticulated by transforming conventions and the integration of new technologies. These chapters ask how calligraphy creates new meaning in cinema, as well as providing a demonstration of how this all works in a single film. The last part of the book moves to other regions of theory, particularly questions surrounding the cinematization of the handwritten word.

The research for the book required travel to all the filmmaking centers of East Asia—Seoul, Tokyo, Osaka, Hong Kong, Taipei, Shanghai, Beijing—where the author explored all the major film studios’ props departments, spoke to technical staff and art directors of all generations, and interviewed some of the most famous calligraphers in East Asia. These travels reveal that the language systems and calligraphy cultures of East Asia are fundamentally different, as are the material cultures of filmmaking.

Resisting simple comparisons to traditional art or arguments that ancient traditions easily endure in this most modern of art forms, *Brushed in Light* endeavors to avoid a simplistic mapping of lineages of influence from the traditional arts of Asia to the novel art of cinema. Rather, it draws on millennia of aesthetic writings around East Asian calligraphy to understand how calligraphers themselves understand their work and for theoretical insights regarding how the brushed word transforms when “cinematized.”

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The main character in Face of Another (Tanin no kao, 1966) spent much of the film with bandages wrapping his face. At the end, his face is still covered, this time by calligraphy—his eyes peeping out of two holes in the character.

The title of Gewaltopia Trailer (Gebarutopia yokokuhen, 1968).

A thirty-foot long, double-sided cabinet in the props department of the Shanghai Film Studio is chock-full of scroll paintings. The scroll on the left features seal script; the one on the right uses a red paperscape with flecks of gold. On the right is a close-up of another work painted on a paperscape specific to cinema: the brand-new paper has been lightly sprayed with ink to give it an antiqued appearance onscreen.

Well-used ink stones and brush cups from the props department of Namyangju Film Studio, near Seoul.
Companies compete on the basis of global vs. domestic supply chains

Global supply chain integration is not only a rapidly growing feature of international trade, it is responsible for fundamentally changing trade policy at international and domestic levels. Ka Zeng and Xiaojun Li argue that global supply chain integration pits firms and industries that are more heavily dependent on foreign supply chains against those that are less dependent on intermediate goods for domestic production. Given that final goods are produced with both domestic and foreign suppliers, businesses whose supply chain will be disrupted as a result of increased trade barriers as well as those whose products are used in the production of foreign goods should lobby for preferential trade liberalization to maintain access to those foreign markets. This book uses multiple methods to show that the growing fragmentation of global production, trade, and investment is altering trade policy away from the traditional divide between export-oriented and import-competing industries.

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*Getting poked by the Bear?*

This timely and thoughtful collection illuminates the current nature of the deteriorating security relationship between Europe and Russia and the key implications for its future. The editors and contributors draw out long-term lessons from this era of diplomatic degeneration to show how increasing cooperation between two regions can devolve into rapidly escalating conflict.

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**Secular Power Europe and Islam**

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*Reconsidering the European Union’s secular identity*

*Secular Power Europe and Islam* argues that while secularism is not the central principle of international relations, it is a belief system that influences international politics. Through an exploration of Europe’s secular identity, an identity that is seen erroneously as normative, author Sarah Wolff shows how Islam confronts the European Union’s existential anxieties about its security and its secular identity. Islam disrupts Eurocentric assumptions about democracy, revolution, and human rights. Through three case studies, Wolff encourages readers to unpack secularism as a bedrock principle of international relations and diplomacy. This book argues that the EU’s activities in relation to religion, and to Islam specifically, are shaped by the insistence on a European secular identity, which should be reconsidered in areas of religion and foreign policy.

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Concepts at Work

On the Linguistic Infrastructure of World Politics

Piki Ish-Shalom, Editor

Interrogating the language that gives meaning to International Relations theories and practice

Concepts are socially and linguistically constructed and used for multiple purposes, such as justifying war in the name of democracy, or, in using the idea of democracy to resist Western intervention and influence. In this fascinating and novel edited collection, Piki Ish-Shalom and the contributors interrogate the “conceptions of concepts” in International Relations. Using theoretical frameworks from Gramsci and Bourdieu, among others, the authors show that not interrogating the meaning of the language we use to talk about international relations obscures the way we understand (or portray) it. The authors examine self-determination, winning in war, avoidance of war, military design and reform agenda, vagueness in political discourse, “blue economy,” friendship, and finally, the very idea of the “international community” itself.

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**War and Rights**

*The Impact of War on Political and Civil Rights*

David L. Rousseau

Long wars can foster democratic freedom in strong states

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Red Chamber, World Dream

*Actors, Audience, and Agendas in Chinese Foreign Policy and Beyond*

Jing Sun

**A new, interdisciplinary way of looking at Chinese foreign policy**

Chinese president Xi Jinping is most famously associated with his “Chinese Dream” campaign. Many observers, though, view China’s pursuit of this dream as alarming. Inspired by the classic epic novel *Dream of the Red Chamber*, this book represents an interdisciplinary effort of deciphering the Chinese Dream and its global impact. Jing Sun employs concepts from political science and journalism as well as from literature, sociology, psychology and drama studies, to offer a multilevel analysis of various actors’ roles in Chinese foreign policymaking: the leaders, the bureaucrats, and its increasingly diversified public. Unearthing a vast amount of historical details for the first time in the English language, it offers a study multidisciplinary in nature, rich in historical nuances, and timely in contemporary significance, such as China’s diplomatic responses to ongoing issues like the Covid-19 crisis.

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Ali Çarkoğlu and Ersin Kalaycıoğlu

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Bankruptcy and Debt Collection in Liberal Capitalism
*Switzerland, 1800–1900*
Mischa Suter, Translated by Adam Bresnahan

Debt as a social relation at the intersection of history and anthropology in the precarious economies of nineteenth-century liberalism

Drawing on perspectives from anthropology and social theory, this book explores the quotidian routines of debt collection in nineteenth-century capitalism. It focuses on Switzerland, an exemplary case of liberal rule. Debt collection and bankruptcy relied on received practices until they were standardized in a Swiss federal law in 1889. The vast array of these practices was summarized by the idiomatic Swiss legal term “Rechtstreib” (literally, “law drive”). Analyzing these forms of summary justice opens a window to the makeshift economies and the contested political imaginaries of nineteenth-century everyday life. Ultimately, the book advances an empirically grounded and theoretically informed history of quotidian legal practices in the everyday economy; it is an argument for studying capitalism from the bottom up.

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Elites and the Politics of Accountability in Africa
Wale Adebanwi and Rogers Orock, Editors

Studying elites through the framework of accountability

*Elites and the Politics of Accountability in Africa* examines the ways that accountability offers an effective interpretive lens to the social, cultural, and institutional struggles of both the elites and ordinary citizens in Africa. Each chapter investigates questions of power—its public deliberation and negotiation—and enters conversations about political subjectivity and agency. These concerns affect prospects for democratic oversight, as well as questions of alienation, exclusivity, privilege, and democratic deficit. The book situates our understanding of the emergence, meaning, and conceptual relevance of elite accountability in the study of political practices in Africa. *Elites and the Politics of Accountability in Africa* offers fresh, dynamic, and multifarious accounts of elites and their practices of accountability and locally plausible self-legitimation, as well as illuminating accounts of contemporary African elites in relation to their socially and historically situated outcomes of contingency, composition, negotiation, and compromise.

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The Danish Voter
Democratic Ideals and Challenges
Rune Stubager, Kasper M. Hansen, Michael S. Lewis-Beck, and Richard Nadeau

Inside the politics of an idealized democracy

To many international experts, politicians, and commentators, Denmark stands out as an ideal society with a well-functioning welfare state, low levels of corruption, and a high degree of social and political stability. Like other countries, however, Denmark faces challenges brought on by overall social changes in the past 50 years, including immigration and maintaining prosperity. *The Danish Voter* investigates voters’ reactions to these two macrosocial challenges and how they impact the foundations for the ideal. The individual chapters consider how these challenges have weakened the traditional class cleavage while giving rise to new divisions based on gender and education, how electoral polarization on economic redistribution has remained strong, and how the challenge of diversity has resulted in a dramatic divide among parties and voters.

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Minority Party Misery
Political Powerlessness and Electoral Disengagement
Jacob F. H. Smith

Quitting when you’re not ahead

In the United States, politicians whose party will be in the majority have a clear incentive to engage in electoral politics because their preferred policies have a credible chance of passing. In contrast, it is generally difficult for minority party lawmakers to get a hearing on—much less advance—their preferred policies. Instead, they spend most of their time fighting losing battles against policy proposals from the majority party. Minority Party Misery examines the consequences of the powerlessness that politicians feel from continually losing battles to the majority party in Congress. In an era when parties disagree on a substantial number of issues, the expectation of which party will succeed in the next election highly impacts politicians’ engagement. Its findings have important consequences for democratic governance, as highly qualified minority party politicians may choose to leave office due to their dismal circumstances rather than continue to serve until their party eventually reenters the majority.

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“Minority Party Misery will advance research on congressional elections—especially retirement, recruitment, candidate emergence, candidate quality, etc.—as well as fill in gaps in the political science literature on Members’ motives in choosing whether to run for re-election. Smith pulls together a remarkable amount of existing research in building his theory . . . this book fills gaps.”
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Democracy and its discontents: how anti-democratic mobilization fueled by media can sabotage democracy

Opposing Democracy in the Digital Age explores why ordinary people in a democratizing state oppose democracy and how they leverage both traditional and social media to do so. Aim Sinpeng focuses on the people behind popular, large-scale anti-democratic “yellow shirt” movements in 2006 and 2014 that helped bring down democracy in Thailand. The yellow shirts (PAD—People’s Alliance for Democracy) grew out of democratic periods in Thailand, but became the catalyst for the country’s democratic breakdown. Why, when, and how supporters of these movements mobilize offline and online to bring down democracy are some of the key questions that Sinpeng answers. The book primarily uses a qualitative methodological approach along with several quantitative tools to analyze social media data. This is one of the few studies in the field of regime transition that focuses on anti-democratic mobilization and takes the role of social media seriously.

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The Future of Digital Surveillance
Why Digital Monitoring Will Never Lose its Appeal in a World of Algorithm-Driven AI
Yong Jin Park

We are willing participants in our own surveillance

Are humans hardwired to make good decisions about managing their privacy in an increasingly public world? Or are we helpless victims of surveillance through our use of invasive digital media? Exploring the chasm between the tyranny of surveillance and the ideal of privacy, this book traces the origins of personal data collection in digital technologies including artificial intelligence (AI) embedded in social network sites, search engines, mobile apps, the web, and email. The Future of Digital Surveillance argues against a technologically deterministic view—digital technologies by nature do not cause surveillance. Instead, the shaping of surveillance technologies is embedded in a complex set of individual psychology, institutional behaviors, and policy principles.

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COVID-19 is the most significant global crisis of our lifetime. The numbers have been stupefying, whether of infection and mortality, the scale of public health measures, or the economic consequences of shutdown. The editors bring together over 30 authors versed in politics and public health to understand health policy decisions, interventions, and the implemented social policies as well as their interactions. The authors develop explanations that draw on their expertise and global comparative scholarship, while engaging in structured conversations across the book.

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The Politics of Herding Cats
When Congressional Leaders Fail
John Lovett

Congressional leaders compete with the media for control over public policy

In *The Politics of Herding Cats*, John Lovett shows that leaders in Congress under normal circumstances control public policy due to their status both within Congress and in the media. When news coverage on topics increases, however, other members seize on the opportunities to engage in the issue and shift public policy away from leader desires. As more members engage and more groups become involved, leaders lose the ability to control the process and are more likely to have problems actually getting public policy enacted. Lovett looks at this phenomenon using newspaper coverage in the *Washington Post* over a 40-year period, both in terms of general analysis as well as individual case studies. *The Politics of Herding Cats* would be useful for those who wish to better understand the relationship between the media, Congress and other government actors.

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Democracy and Deliberation
The Law and Politics of Sex Offender Legislation
Cary Federman

Balancing law and rights in sex offender legislation

Sex offender laws, including residency restrictions, registration and notification requirements, and post-conviction civil commitment, impose serious limitations on the movements of convicted sex offenders. While intended to have deterrent and therapeutic effects, these regulations are controversial because they occur after the sex offender has completed their time in prison.

Cary Federman focuses on the deliberative intentions of legislators, exploring the limits of judicial review and the rights of interested parties to influence lawmaking. Leaders of these interested parties are usually the parents of children who have been sexually violated and murdered. Critics of sex offender legislation tend to focus on the convicted parties, arguing that restrictions violate their rights. *Democracy and Deliberation* asserts that because these laws are expressions of the deliberative intentions of lawmakers concerned with public safety, they are constitutional, if not always wise.

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