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Wartejahre sind jene langen Jahre, welche die Frauen eines traditionellen großbürgerlichen Haushalts in Japan gemeinsam (und gegeneinander) verbringen. Sie beginnen, als die junge Ehefrau und Mutter Tomo eine grausame Aufgabe übertragen bekommt: eine passende Mätresse und Zweitfrau für ihren Mann auszuwählen. Mit magischer Genauigkeit begleitet Fumiko Enchi erzählend die unmerklichen

Verschiebungen im Verhältnis der Hausgenossen zueinander, die mit der Ankunft der schönen Suga beginnen.

Beyond the Mushroom Cloud

Routledge

Based on historical documents about the devastation caused by the atomic bomb and on first-hand accounts and writings from victims of the massacre, this is the Japanese novel that has best confronted the consequences of the atomic explosion in Hiroshima. The novel focuses on a young woman, Yasuko, who was caught by surprise in the radioactive black rain that fell on the outskirts of Hiroshima. The possible consequences of her contact with the radiation give way

to an endless amount of gossip and questions among her suitors: Is she sick? Can she still bear children? Her family remembers those fateful days spent trying to rid themselves of the danger that threatens her. Masuji Ibuse portrays the complex web of emotions that develops between survivors who continue to endure illness and pain caused by the explosion, and who are unaware of the extent to which their health could be compromised. Basada en documentos históricos sobre la devastación causada por la bomba atómica y en entrevistas y diarios de víctimas de la masacre, ésta es la novela japonesa que mejor se ha enfrentado a las consecuencias de la explosión atómica en Hiroshima. El libro se centra en la historia de una joven, Yasuko, que

se vio sorprendida por la lluvia negra radioactiva que cayó en los alrededores de Hiroshima. Las posibles consecuencias de su contacto con la radiación han dado lugar a un sinnúmero de habladurías entre los pretendientes de la joven: ¿estará enferma?, ¿podrá tener hijos? Su familia rememora aquellos días aciagos tratando de conjurar el peligro que la acecha. Masuji Ibuse retrata con sensibilidad y con un esperanzado humor la compleja red de emociones que se establece entre unos supervivientes que siguen soportando las enfermedades y el dolor provocados por la explosión y que ignoran hasta qué punto su salud puede estar afectada.

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This extraordinary one-volume guide to the modern literatures of China, Japan,

and Korea is the definitive reference work on the subject in the English language. With more than one hundred articles that show how a host of authors and literary movements have contributed to the general literary development of their respective countries, this companion is an essential starting point for the study of East Asian literatures. Comprehensive thematic essays introduce each geographical section with historical overviews and surveys of persistent themes in the literature examined, including nationalism, gender, family relations, and sexuality. Following the thematic essays are the individual entries: over forty for China, over fifty for Japan, and almost thirty for Korea, featuring everything from detailed analyses of the

works of Tanizaki Jun'ichiro and Murakami Haruki, to far-ranging explorations of avant-garde fiction in China and postwar novels in Korea. Arrayed chronologically, each entry is self-contained, though extensive cross-referencing affords readers the opportunity to gain a more synoptic view of the work, author, or movement. The unrivaled opportunities for comparative analysis alone make this unique companion an indispensable reference for anyone interested in the burgeoning field of Asian literature. Although the literatures of China, Japan, and Korea are each allotted separate sections, the editors constantly kept an eye open to those writers, works, and movements that transcend national boundaries. This includes, for example, Chinese authors

who lived and wrote in Japan; Japanese authors who wrote in classical Chinese; and Korean authors who write in Japanese, whether under the colonial occupation or because they are resident in Japan. The waves of modernization can be seen as reaching each of these countries in a staggered fashion, with eddies and back-flows between them then complicating the picture further. This volume provides a vivid sense of this dynamic interplay.

America's Wars in Asia Routledge Literature, like food, is, in Terry Eagleton's words, "endlessly interpretable," and food, like literature, "looks like an object but is actually a relationship." So how much do we, and should we, read into the way food is represented in literature? Reading Food

explores this and other questions in an unusual and fascinating tour of twentieth-century Japanese literature. Tomoko Aoyama analyzes a wide range of diverse writings that focus on food, eating, and cooking and considers how factors such as industrialization, urbanization, nationalism, and gender construction have affected people's relationships to food, nature, and culture, and to each other. The examples she offers are taken from novels (shosetsu) and other literary texts and include well known writers (such as Tanizaki Jun'ichiro, Hayashi Fumiko, Okamoto Kanoko, Kaiko Takeshi, and Yoshimoto Banana) as well as those who are less widely known (Murai Gensai, Nagatsuka Takashi, Sumii Sue, and Numa Shozo). Food is everywhere in

Japanese literature, and early chapters illustrate historical changes and variations in the treatment of food and eating. Examples are drawn from Meiji literary diaries, children's stories, peasant and proletarian literature, and women's writing before and after World War II. The author then turns to the theme of cannibalism in serious and popular novels. Key issues include ethical questions about survival, colonization, and cultural identity. The quest for gastronomic gratification is a dominant theme in "gourmet novels." Like cannibalism, the gastronomic journey as a literary theme is deeply implicated with cultural identity. The final chapter deals specifically with contemporary novels by women, some of which celebrate the inclusiveness of

eating (and writing), while others grapple with the fear of eating. Such dread or disgust can be seen as a warning against what the complacent "gourmet boom" of the 1980s and 1990s concealed: the dangers of a market economy, environmental destruction, and continuing gender biases. Reading *Food in Modern Japanese Literature* will tempt any reader with an interest in food, literature, and culture. Moreover, it provides appetizing hints for further savoring, digesting, and incorporating textual food.

The Asia Pacific War Routledge

Anyone who deals with people from different cultures needs intercultural communication skills whether they are in the workplace, on a business trip overseas, dealing with foreign guests or

simply socializing with friends. This is not just a matter of knowing how to bow in Japan or what gifts to give in Korea. Rather, it is necessary to understand the dynamics of different cultures and intercultural communication.

Communicating with Asia is a comprehensive guide to cultural literacy for Australians who deal with Asians and vice versa. It is abundantly illustrated with examples from Japan, China, Hong Kong, Taiwan, Singapore, Malaysia, Thailand, Indonesia and other countries.

The Language of Fiction in a World of Pain Modern Language Association

The people of a Japanese village fight to maintain their humanity and tradition in the radioactive "rain" after Hiroshima
McFarland

In hard-hitting accounts of Auschwitz,

Bosnia, Palestine, and Hiroshima's Ground Zero, comics have shown a stunning capacity to bear witness to trauma. Hillary Chute explores the ways graphic narratives by diverse artists, including Jacques Callot, Francisco Goya, Keiji Nakazawa, Art Spiegelman, and Joe Sacco, document the disasters of war.

Approaching Recent World History Through Film BRILL

Seventy years after the nuclear attacks on Hiroshima and Nagasaki, Japan is still dealing with the effects of the bombings on the national psyche. From the Occupation Period to the present, Japanese cinema had offered a means of coming to terms with one of the most controversial events of the 20th century. From the monster movies *Gojira* (1954) and *Mothra* (1961) to experimental

works like Go Shibata's *NN-891102* (1999), atomic bomb imagery features in all genres of Japanese film. This collection of new essays explores the cultural aftermath of the bombings and its expression in Japanese cinema. The contributors take on a number of complex issues, including the suffering of the survivors (hibakusha), the fear of future holocausts and the danger of nuclear warfare. Exclusive interviews with Go Shibata and critically acclaimed directors Roger Spottiswoode (Hiroshima) and Steven Okazaki (*White Light/Black Rain*) are included.

The Atomic Bomb in Japanese Cinema
Taylor & Francis

As Japan moved from the devastation of 1945 to the economic security that survived even the boom and bust of the

1980s and 1990s, its literature came to embrace new subjects and styles and to reflect on the nation's changing relationship to other Asian countries and to the West. This volume will help instructors introduce students to novels, short stories, and manga that confront postwar Japanese experiences, including the suffering caused by the atomic bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki, the echoes of Japan's colonialism and imperialism, new ways of thinking about Japanese identity and about minorities such as the zainichi Koreans, changes in family structures, and environmental disasters. Essays provide context for understanding the particularity of postwar Japanese literature, its place in world literature, and its connections to the Japanese past.

Black Rain Fordham Univ Press

This monograph explores the ethics and religious sensibilities of a group of the hibakusha (survivors) of 1945's atomic bombings. Unfortunately, their ethic of "not retaliation, but reconciliation" has not been much known, perhaps obscured by the mushroom cloud. However, it is worth examining their philosophy, as it could offer resources to reconcile the contested issues of public memories, especially in the post 9-11 era.

Lluvia Negra Routledge

A pioneering study of German and Japanese postwar fiction, providing a broad cultural basis for understanding a half-century of responses to World War II from within the two societies.

Communicating with Asia University

of Chicago Press

This text examines the Pacific War, the Korean War and the Vietnam War, from the perspective of those who fought the wars and lived through them. The relationship between history and memory informs the book, and each war is relocated in the historical and cultural experiences of Asian countries.

The Victim as Hero SUNY Press

In this book, Michael J. Shapiro stages a series of pedagogical encounters between political theory, represented as a compositional challenge, and cinematic texts, emphasizing how to achieve an effective research paper/essay by heeding the compositional strategies of films. The text's distinctiveness is its focus on the intermediation between two textual

genres. It is aimed at providing both a conceptual introduction to the politics of aesthetics and a guide to writing strategies. In its illustrations of encounters between political theory and cinema, the book's critical edge is its emphasis on how to intervene in cinematic texts with innovative conceptual frames in ways that challenge dominant understandings of life worlds. *The Cinematic Political* is designed as a teaching resource that introduces students to the relationship between film form and political thinking. With diverse illustrative investigations, the book instructs students on how to watch films with an eye toward writing a research paper in which a film (or set of films) constitutes the textual vehicle for political theorizing.

The Cinematic Political John Wiley & Sons

In a speech to the United Nations General Assembly in September 1961, President John F. Kennedy told his audience that "every man, woman, and child lives under a nuclear sword of Damocles, hanging by the slenderest of threads." In this sweeping, immersive, and now chillingly relevant history of nuclear confrontation, eminent historian and diplomat Rodric Braithwaite offers the tale of that slender thread, a tale that spans from the dropping of the atomic bomb on Hiroshima and Nagasaki in August 1945 into the present. Here is an account of treaties and summits, of life-and-death strategy among nations, featuring a vast and varied cast of individuals--scientists, spies, diplomats,

generals, politicians, shamans, writers, geniuses, the high-minded and the crackpot--all of whom played their part in shaping the Nuclear Age. As [this book] shows, containing atomic weapons has been a central preoccupation of global politics and policy for the last seven decades. In the years after World War II, atomic weapons were initially controlled only by the superpowers, first the United States, followed shortly by the former Soviet Union (mainly by having infiltrated the Manhattan Project), then developed in succession by England, France, China, India, and Pakistan. In recent years, North Korea has developed a nuclear weapons program and is now developing the means of delivering them. Nuclear proliferation has long dominated and

even obsessed international diplomacy and policy, particularly as the capacity to unleash catastrophic destruction became widespread. Braithwaite offers an overview of policy from the Cold War reliance on what was termed "Deterrence," a policy of Mutually Assured Destruction (MAD), to the "Armageddon theology" of Ronald Reagan, to the de-alerting of nuclear weapons promised by both George W. Bush and Barack Obama, to the fire and fury driving the current war of tweeted insults. For nearly three-quarters of a century, nuclear weapons have shadowed human existence, moving from crisis to quiescence and back to crisis. Armageddon and Paranoia comes at a time when tensions are mounting once more. Though we cannot un-invent

the atomic bomb, Braithwaite's clear-sighted and illuminating history provides a deeper understanding of how it has shaped the world in which we live. --
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Disaster Drawn Cambridge University Press

First Published in 1996. This collection of works is in response to American film scholar and long-term resident of Japan, Donald Richie, words: 'The Japanese failure to come to terms with Hiroshima is one which is shared by everybody in the world today,' from over thirty years ago, when responding to the Japanese subgenre of cinema which had dealt with the atom bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki. Three decades on, the question lingers, does this appraisal remain valid? Hibakusha Cinema is an

attempt - perhaps momentarily - to reorient critical focus upon a rarely discussed, yet important feature of Japanese cinema. The essays collected here represent a mix of Japanese and western (pan-Pacific) scholarship harnessing multidisciplinary methodologies, ranging from close textual analysis, archival and historical argument, anthropological assessment, literary and film comparative analyses to psychological and ideological hermeneutics.

United States and Asia at War: A Cultural Approach Libros Del Asteroide

This book examines key aspects of the Asia Pacific War (1931-1945), that was initially waged between Japan and China, before Japan's attack on Pearl Harbor drew in the U.S.-led allied forces from

1941 to 1945. Part I of the book examines three interlocking components, the origins of the war; its impact on combatants and civilians; and its short-term legacy, including the huge changes that took place in the postwar governance of Japan. Part II explores the ongoing impact and legacy of the war for those in postwar Japan, and later generations, particularly through the examination of the ambiguity of state-led reconciliation with Japan's neighbors, the growth of dynamic civil reconciliation efforts, and the prominent role of the arts in peace movements. Through a people-centered approach it filters historical events through the lens of the war's impact on individuals, who found themselves players within a larger frame of the social history of Japan and caught

up in the international power dynamics of the nuclear age. Featuring studies of contemporary peace activism, this will be a valuable resource to students and scholars of Modern Asian and U.S. History, as well as those interested in postwar memory and reconciliation. *Writing Ground Zero* Routledge Approaching Recent World History Through Film: Context, Analysis, and Research explores the relationships between twentieth-century world history and film by providing analysis of a diverse range of films organized by global history topics, including war and conflict, decolonization, political economy, and long-distance travel. This insightful text describes how to analyze films as original historical sources and how to carry out research projects using

films. The text provides guidance on the types of world history films, their conventions, and how to analyze the historical arguments in movies. Scott C.M. Bailey incorporates in-depth discussions of the historical content and context of a wide range of international films connected with important twentieth-century global history topics. The book also offers many prompts for discussion, historical timelines, and suggestions for further reading and viewing, as well as instructions on how to construct research papers and projects which employ the use of films as historical sources. This book will be of interest to students in world history and film history courses.

Die Wartejahre Rowohlt Verlag GmbH
The only Japanese director to have won

the Palme d'Or from Cannes more than once, and second only to Ozu Yasujiro in the number of times he has won the prestigious Kinema Jumbo Best One award, the late Imamura Shohei was one of Japan's leading and most controversial film directors. This book is one of the first to study all of Imamura's major films alongside his television and theatrical documentaries, focusing on his major themes and concerns. By giving shape to Imamura's career, the book positions him as a stylistic innovator as well as an ethnographic investigator into Japanese culture and tradition; the preeminent examiner of the hidden, barely repressed underpinnings of Japanese society.

Living in a Nuclear World Harvard University Press

Catastrophic events like the bombing of Hiroshima, Hurricane Katrina's devastation of New Orleans, and drone strikes periodically achieve renewed political significance as subsequent developments summon them back to public awareness. But why and how do different conceptions of time inform and challenge these key events and the narratives they create? In this book, Michael J. Shapiro provides an approach to politics and time that unsettles official collective histories by introducing analyses of lived experience articulated in cinematic, televisual, musical, and literary genres. His investigation is framed by questions of our responsibility to acknowledge those victims of violence and catastrophe who have failed to rise above the threshold of public

recognition. Ultimately, by focusing on time as an active force shaping our conception of political life, we can deepen our understanding of complex political dynamics and improve the theories and methods we rely on to interpret them. This bold and original book will be of interest to students and scholars of political theory, cultural studies and cinema studies looking for a new perspective on the temporal aspects of political life.

Hibakusha Cinema University of Hawaii Press

Japanese novelist Ibuse Masuji (1898-1993) is best known for his 1966 novel *Kuroi Ame* (published in English as *Black Rain*), which detailed the tragic aftermath of the nuclear bombing of Hiroshima. With Ibuse Masuji, Anthony

Liman, Ibuse's lifelong friend and a noted scholar of Japanese literature and history, has written a lively and creative critical biography of the author. Liman's highly personal style delivers a vivid insider's picture of Ibuse's life, while also

situating his writings and his career in the larger context of Japanese culture of the period. Featuring incisive readings of Ibuse's major works, *Ibuse Masuji* will be indispensable to scholars of twentieth-century Japanese literature and culture.

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