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**Mooring the Global Archive** Cambridge University Press  
Das bessere Leben, anderswo? Negrone trinkend sitzt der Dichter  
Ilja Leonard vor den Cafés und genießt sein Exil. Als neue,  
südliche Heimat hat er sich Genua auserkoren, einst stolze  
Metropole, von wo aus Kreuzfahrer und Entdecker in See stachen,  
heute Anlaufpunkt für Glückssucher jeder Couleur. Das schönste  
Mädchen von Genua, das er von Ferne anhimmelt, ist seine  
flüchtige Ariadne im Labyrinth der Altstadtgassen. Doch genau  
wie Raschid, der Rosenverkäufer, der eigentlich Kühltechniker ist,  
und Ornella, die Prostituierte, die eigentlich ein Mann ist, verliert  
Ilja sich bald hoffnungslos darin – ebenso wie in seiner Phantasie  
vom besseren Leben an einem anderen Ort. „Ein großer Roman  
von universeller Bedeutung, der die Aufmerksamkeit zahlreicher  
Leser in und außerhalb Hollands verdient.“ Jury des Libris  
Literatuur Prijs. „Ein pures Lesevergnügen.“ Het Parool. „Das  
schönste Mädchen von Genua lesen zu dürfen ist ein Privileg.“ De  
Limburger / Limburgs dagblad.

Poe's Pervasive Influence Duke University Press

The Routledge Handbook of Modern Japanese History is a concise  
overview of modern Japanese history from the middle of the  
nineteenth century until the end of the twentieth century. Written  
by a group of international historians, each an authority in his or  
her field, the book covers modern Japanese history in an  
accessible yet comprehensive manner. The subjects featured in  
the book range from the development of the political system and  
matters of international relations, to social and economic history  
and gender issues, to post-war discussions about modern Japan's  
historical trajectory and its wartime past. Divided into thematic

parts, the sections include: Nation, empire and borders Ideologies  
and the political system Economy and society Historical legacies  
and memory Each chapter outlines important historiographical  
debates and controversies, summarizes the latest developments  
in the field, and identifies research topics that have not yet  
received sufficient scholarly attention. As such, the book will be  
useful to students and scholars of Japanese history, Asian history  
and Asian Studies.

Hong Kong University Press

The Japanese military was responsible for the sexual enslavement  
of thousands of women and girls in Asia and the Pacific during the  
China and Pacific wars under the guise of providing 'comfort' for  
battle-weary troops. Campaigns for justice and reparations for  
'comfort women' since the early 1990s have highlighted the  
magnitude of the human rights crimes committed against Korean,  
Chinese and other Asian women by Japanese soldiers after they  
invaded the Chinese mainland in 1937. These campaigns,  
however, say little about the origins of the system or its initial  
victims. The Japanese Comfort Women and Sexual Slavery during  
the China and Pacific Wars explores the origins of the Japanese  
military's system of sexual slavery and illustrates how Japanese  
women were its initial victims.

Beyond Imperial Aesthetics University of Hawaii Press

Observing that the division between theory and empiricism  
remains inextricably linked to imperial modernity, manifest at the  
most basic level in the binary between "the West" and "Asia," the  
authors of this volume re-examine art and aesthetics to challenge  
these oppositions in order to reconceptualize politics and  
knowledge production in East Asia. Current understandings of  
fundamental ideas like race, nation, colonizer and the colonized,  
and the concept of Asia in the region are seeped with imperial  
aesthetics that originated from competing imperialisms operating  
in the twentieth and twenty-first centuries. Such aesthetics has  
sustained both colonial and local modes of perception in the

formation of nation-states and expanded the reach of regulatory  
powers in East Asia since 1945. The twelve thought-provoking  
essays in this collection tackle the problematics that arise at the  
nexus of aesthetics and politics in four areas: theoretical issues of  
aesthetics and politics in East Asia, aesthetics of affect and  
sexuality, the productive tension between critical aesthetics and  
political movements, and aesthetic critiques of sovereignty and  
neoliberalism in East Asia today. If the seemingly universal  
operation of capital and militarism in East Asia requires locally  
specific definitions of biopolitical concepts to function smoothly,  
this book critiques the circuit of power between the universalism  
of capital and particularism of nation and culture. Treating  
aesthetic experiences in art at large as the bases for going  
beyond imperial categories, the contributors present new modes  
of sensing, thinking, and living that have been unimaginable  
within the mainstream modality of Asian studies, a discipline that  
has reproduced the colonial regime of knowledge production. By  
doing so, *Beyond Imperial Aesthetics* illuminates the aesthetic  
underside of critical theory to uncover alternative forms of  
political life in East Asia. "This much needed volume takes  
readers on an erudite and challenging journey. Along the way, its  
theoretically-minded authors explore what a future liberated from  
the Cold War shackles of securitized institutions and capitalist  
exploitation as well as concomitant epistemologies of  
aestheticized domination might look like in East Asia." —Todd  
Henry, UC San Diego "Beyond Imperial Aesthetics is an  
impressive intervention between art, politics, and theoretical  
reflection in contemporary East Asia. The project convincingly  
articulates various sites of resistance to the postwar US hegemon  
throughout East Asia. The editors are to be congratulated for  
putting together such a timely and compelling work." —Richard  
Calichman, City College of New York

Das neunte Haus Cambridge University Press

"Knowing Manchuria places the creation of knowledge about

nature at the center of our understanding of one of the world's most contested borderlands. At the intersection of China, Russia, Korea, and Mongolia, Manchuria is known as a site of war and environmental extremes, where projects of political control intersected with projects designed to make sense of Manchuria's multiple environments. Covering over 500,000 square miles (comparable in size to all the land east of the Mississippi) Manchuria's landscapes included temperate rain forests, deserts, prairies, cultivated plains, wetlands, and Siberian taiga. Ruth Rogaski reveals how paleontologists and indigenous shamans, and many others, made sense of the Manchurian frontier. She uncovers how natural knowledge and thus "the nature of Manchuria" itself changed over time, from a sacred "land where the dragon arose" to a global epicenter of contagious disease; from a tragic "wasteland" to an abundant granary that nurtured the hope of a nation"--

**Agrotropolis** Stanford University Press

The conventional understanding of Japanese wartime ideology has for years been summed up by just a few words: anti-modern, spiritualist, and irrational. Yet such a cut-and-dried picture is not at all reflective of the principles that guided national policy from 1931–1945. Challenging the status quo, *Constructing East Asia* examines how Japanese intellectuals, bureaucrats, and engineers used technology as a system of power and mobilization—what historian Aaron Moore terms a "technological imaginary"—to rally people in Japan and its expanding empire. By analyzing how these different actors defined technology in public discourse, national policies, and large-scale infrastructure projects, Moore reveals wartime elites as far more calculated in thought and action than previous scholarship allows. Moreover, Moore positions the wartime origins of technology deployment as an essential part of the country's national policy and identity, upending another predominant narrative—namely, that technology did not play a modernizing role in Japan until the "economic miracle" of the postwar years.

*Constructing East Asia* UBC Press

Until the late nineteenth century, the Chinese-Korean Tumen River border was one of the oldest, and perhaps most stable, state boundaries in the world. Spurred by severe food scarcity following a succession of natural disasters, from the 1860s, countless Korean refugees crossed the Tumen River border into

Qing-China's Manchuria, triggering a decades-long territorial dispute between China, Korea, and Japan. This major new study of a multilateral and multiethnic frontier highlights the competing state- and nation-building projects in the fraught period that witnessed the Sino-Japanese War, the Russo-Japanese War, and the First World War. The power-plays over land and people simultaneously promoted China's frontier-building endeavours, motivated Korea's nationalist imagination, and stimulated Japan's colonialist enterprise, setting East Asia on an intricate trajectory from the late-imperial to a situation that, Song argues, we call modern.

**New Directions in Popular Fiction** SCB Distributors

"An exceptional achievement and a truly important addition to cultural studies, Asian studies, history, and the study of colonialism/postcolonialism." —Sabine Frühstück, Professor of Modern Japanese Cultural Studies, University of California, Santa Barbara By any measure, Japan's modern empire was formidable. The only major non-western colonial power in the twentieth century, Japan controlled a vast area of Asia and numerous archipelagos in the Pacific Ocean. The massive extraction of resources and extensive cultural assimilation policies radically impacted the lives of millions of Asians and Micronesians, and the political, economic, and cultural ramifications of this era are still felt today. During this period, from 1869–1945, how was the Japanese imperial project understood, imagined, and lived?

*Reading Colonial Japan* is a unique anthology that aims to deepen knowledge of Japanese colonialism(s) by providing an eclectic selection of translated Japanese primary sources and analytical essays that illuminate Japan's many and varied colonial projects. The primary documents highlight how central cultural production and dissemination were to the colonial effort, while accentuating the myriad ways colonialism permeated every facet of life. The variety of genres explored includes legal documents, children's literature, cookbooks, serialized comics, and literary texts by well-known authors of the time. These cultural works, produced by a broad spectrum of "ordinary" Japanese citizens (a housewife in Manchuria, settlers in Korea, manga artists and fiction writers in mainland Japan, and so on), functioned effectively to reinforce the official policies that controlled and violated the lives of the colonized throughout Japan's empire. By making available and analyzing a wide range of sources that represent "media" during

the Japanese colonial period, *Reading Colonial Japan* draws attention to the powerful role that language and imagination played in producing the material realities of Japanese colonialism.

*Why the West Can't Win* Hong Kong University Press

In this major reassessment of Japanese imperialism in Asia, Mark Driscoll foregrounds the role of human life and labor. Drawing on subaltern postcolonial studies and Marxism, he directs critical attention to the peripheries, where figures including Chinese coolies, Japanese pimps, trafficked Japanese women, and Korean tenant farmers supplied the vital energy that drove Japan's empire. He identifies three phases of Japan's capitalist expansion, each powered by distinct modes of capturing and expropriating life and labor: biopolitics (1895–1914), neuropolitics (1920–32), and necropolitics (1935–45). During the first phase, Japanese elites harnessed the labor of marginalized subjects as Japan colonized Taiwan, Korea, and south Manchuria, and sent hustlers and sex workers into China to expand its market hegemony. Linking the deformed bodies laboring in the peripheries with the "erotic-grotesque" media in the metropole, Driscoll centers the second phase on commercial sexology, pornography, and detective stories in Tokyo to argue that by 1930, capitalism had colonized all aspects of human life: not just labor practices but also consumers' attention and leisure time. Focusing on Japan's Manchukuo colony in the third phase, he shows what happens to the central figures of biopolitics as they are subsumed under necropolitical capitalism: coolies become forced laborers, pimps turn into state officials and authorized narcotraffickers, and sex workers become "comfort women". Driscoll concludes by discussing Chinese fiction written inside Manchukuo, describing the everyday violence unleashed by necropolitics.

*Gas Mask Nation* Univ of California Press

This groundbreaking volume critically examines how writers in Japanese-occupied northeast China negotiated political and artistic freedom while engaging their craft amidst an increasing atmosphere of violent conflict and foreign control. The allegedly multiethnic utopian new state of Manchukuo (1932–1945) created by supporters of imperial Japan was intended to corral the creative energies of Chinese, Japanese, Koreans, Russians, and Mongols. Yet, the twin poles of utopian promise and resistance to a contested state pulled these intellectuals into competing loyalties, selective engagement, or even exile and

death—surpassing neat paradigms of collaboration or resistance. In a semicolony wrapped in the utopian vision of racial inclusion, their literary works articulating national ideals and even the norms of everyday life subtly reflected the complexities and contradictions of the era. Scholars from China, Korea, Japan, and North America investigate cultural production under imperial Japan's occupation of Manchukuo. They reveal how literature and literary production more generally can serve as a penetrating lens into forgotten histories and the lives of ordinary people confronted with difficult political exigencies. Highlights of the text include transnational perspectives by leading researchers in the field and a memoir by one of Manchukuo's last living writers. "This first-rate collection offers the most comprehensive overview of Manchukuo literature in any language. Containing an abundance of very original research and analysis, with relevant references to diverse sources in Chinese, English, Japanese, Korean, and Russian, the essays will be welcomed by scholars dealing with literary, historical, political, and colonization issues in Manchukuo and its neighbors." —Ronald Suleski, Suffolk University, Boston "Manchukuo Perspectives is an excellent contribution to the field. Manchukuo was a fascinating and fraught experiment. Colonialism, imperialism, modernism, and nationalism were just some of the many different forces at play there. With an impressive set of contributors bringing both breadth and depth to the study of these issues, this collection fills a void in our understanding of the cultural and literary production of Manchukuo wonderfully." —James Carter, Saint Joseph's University

*Writing the Love of Boys* University of Chicago Press

As the site of crossings of colonizers, settlers, merchants, and goods, island nations such as Taiwan have seen a rich confluence of cultures, where peoples and languages were either forced to mix or did so voluntarily, due largely to colonial conquest and their crucial role in world economy. Through an examination of socio-cultural phenomena, Comparatizing Taiwan situates Taiwan globally, comparatively, and relationally to bring out the nation's innate richness. This book examines Taiwan in relation to other islands, cultures, or nations in terms of culture, geography, history, politics, and economy. Comparisons include China, Korea, Canada, Hong Kong, Macau, Ireland, Malaysia, Japan, New Zealand, South Africa, the United States and the Caribbean, and

these comparisons present a number of different issues, alongside a range of sometimes divergent implications. By exploring Taiwan's many relationalities, material as well as symbolic, over a significant historical and geographical span, the contributors move to expand the horizons of Taiwan studies and reveal the valuable insights that can be obtained by viewing nations, societies and cultures in comparison. Through this process, the book offers crucial reflections on how to compare and how to study small nations. This truly interdisciplinary book will be welcomed by students and scholars interested in Taiwan studies, Sinophone studies, comparative cultural studies, postcolonial studies, and literary studies.

*Arbiters of Patriotism* Routledge

For centuries, some of the world's largest empires fought for sovereignty over the resources of Northeast Asia. This compelling analysis of the region's environmental history examines the interplay of climate and competing imperial interests in a vibrant – and violent – cultural narrative. Families that settled this borderland reaped its riches while at the mercy of an unforgiving and hotly contested landscape. As China's strength as a world leader continues to grow, this volume invites exploration of the indelible links between empire and environment – and shows how the geopolitical future of this global economic powerhouse is rooted in its past.

*Making Borders in Modern East Asia* Fernwood Publishing

In the 1930s and '40s, Japanese rulers in Manchukuo enlisted writers and artists to promote imperial Japan's modernization program. Ironically, the cultural producers chosen to spread the imperialist message were previously left-wing politically. In *Glorify the Empire*, Annika A. Culver explores how these once anti-imperialist intellectuals produced avant-garde works celebrating the modernity of a fascist state and reflecting a complicated picture of complicity with, and ambivalence toward, Japan's utopian project. A groundbreaking work, this book magnifies the intersection between politics and art in a rarely examined period of Japanese history.

*Madness in the Family* Oxford University Press

The University of Washington-Korea Studies Program, in collaboration with Rowman & Littlefield Publishers, is proud to publish the *Journal of Korean Studies*. In 1979 Dr. James Palais (PhD Harvard 1968), former UW professor of Korean History

edited and published the first volume of the *Journal of Korean Studies*. For thirteen years it was a leading academic forum for innovative, in-depth research on Korea. In 2004 former editors Gi-Wook Shin and John Duncan revived this outstanding publication at Stanford University. In August 2008 editorial responsibility transferred back to the University of Washington. With the editorial guidance of Clark Sorensen and Donald Baker, the *Journal of Korean Studies* (JKS) continues to be dedicated to publishing outstanding articles, from all disciplines, on a broad range of historical and contemporary topics concerning Korea. In addition the JKS publishes reviews of the latest Korea-related books. To subscribe to the *Journal of Korean Studies* or order print back issues, please click here.

*The Journal of Korean Studies, Volume 19, Number 1 (Spring 2014)* Bloomsbury Publishing

This is the first book in English to examine, through material in the popular press, the radical changes that took place in Japanese ideas about sex, romance and male-female relations in the wake of Japan's defeat and occupation by Allied forces at the end of the Second World War.

**Redacted** Aufbau Digital

'If I had to pick a single general martial arts history book in English, I would recommend *A Brief History of the Martial Arts* by Dr Jonathan Clements' RICHARD BEITLICH, Martial History Team blog From Shaolin warrior monks to the movies of Bruce Lee, a new history of the evolution of East Asian styles of unarmed combat, from Kung Fu to Ninjutsu Folk tales of the Shaolin Temple depict warrior monks with superhuman abilities. Today, dozens of East Asian fighting styles trace their roots back to the Buddhist brawlers of Shaolin, although any quest for the true story soon wanders into a labyrinth of forgeries, secret texts and modern retellings. This new study approaches the martial arts from their origins in military exercises and callisthenics. It examines a rich folklore from old wuxia tales of crime-fighting heroes to modern kung fu movies. Centre stage is given to the stories that martial artists tell themselves about themselves, with accounts (both factual and fictional) of famous practitioners including China's Yim Wing-chun, Wong Fei-hong, and Ip Man, as well as Japanese counterparts such as Kano Jigoro, Itosu Anko and So Doshin. The history of martial arts encompasses secret societies and religious rebels, with intimate glimpses of the histories of China, Korea and



Japan, their conflicts and transformations. The book also charts the migration of martial arts to the United States and beyond. Special attention is paid to the turmoil of the twentieth century, the cross-cultural influence of Japanese colonies in Asia, and the post-war rise of martial arts in sport and entertainment - including the legacy of Bruce Lee, the dilemma of the ninja and the global audience for martial arts in fiction.

*Routledge Handbook of Modern Japanese History* Cambridge University Press

Complementing and extending a project begun by Lois Vines, this book includes essays on Poe's influence abroad from Japanese author, Edogawa Rampo, to Russian author, Nikolai Gogol, and takes a wider perspective on Poe's influence by including essays on Poe's impact on American authors from Harriet Jacobs to Joyce Carol Oates.

*Traveling Texts and the Work of Afro-Japanese Cultural Production* Lexington Books

An accessible and empirically rich introduction to Canada's engagements in the world since confederation, this book charts a unique path by locating Canada's colonial foundations at the

heart of the analysis. *Canada in the World* begins by arguing that the colonial relations with Indigenous peoples represent the first example of foreign policy, and demonstrates how these relations became a foundational and existential element of the new state. Colonialism—the project to establish settler capitalism in North America and the ideological assumption that Europeans were more advanced and thus deserved to conquer the Indigenous people—says Shipley, lives at the very heart of Canada. Through a close examination of Canadian foreign policy, from crushing an Indigenous rebellion in El Salvador, “peacekeeping” missions in the Congo and Somalia, and Cold War interventions in Vietnam and Indonesia, to Canadian participation in the War on Terror, *Canada in the World* finds that this colonial heart has dictated Canada's actions in the world since the beginning. Highlighting the continuities across more than 150 years of history, Shipley demonstrates that Canadian policy and behaviour in the world is deep-rooted, and argues that changing this requires rethinking the fundamental nature of Canada itself.

*Love, Sex, and Democracy in Japan during the American*

*Occupation* Springer

Absolute Erotic, Absolute GrotesqueDuke University Press

**Reading Colonial Japan** Bloomsbury Publishing USA

German imperialism in Europe evokes images of military aggression and ethnic cleansing. Yet, even under the Third Reich, Germans deployed more subtle forms of influence that can be called soft power or informal imperialism. Stephen G. Gross examines how, between 1918 and 1941, German businessmen and academics turned their nation - an economic wreck after World War I - into the single largest trading partner with the Balkan states, their primary source for development aid and their diplomatic patron. Building on traditions from the 1890s and working through transnational trade fairs, chambers of commerce, educational exchange programmes and development projects, Germans collaborated with Croatians, Serbians and Romanians to create a continental bloc, and to exclude Jews from commerce. By gaining access to critical resources during a global depression, the proponents of soft power enabled Hitler to militarise the German economy and helped make the Third Reich's territorial conquests after 1939 economically possible.

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