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Daihonzan Sōjiji is one of two head temples of the Sōtō Zen sect of Japanese Buddhism. Originally founded in 1321 CE, Sōjiji has been a major force in the development and growth of Zen throughout Japanese history. Its current home overlooks Tokyo Bay and the Tokyo-Yokohama Industrial Corridor, as well as the dramatic shifts in Japanese society and the role of religion within it. In Sōjiji: Discipline, Compassion, and Enlightenment at a Japanese Zen Temple, Joshua A. Irizarry details his two-year ethnographic study, living within the temple, and explores how this ancient institution is responding to the aging population, declining birthrate, mass unemployment, and the uncertainty of family and memory. Perhaps most significantly, the after-effects of the 2011 earthquake and tsunami (March 11th), including ongoing fears over environmental contamination, are forcing religious institutions in Japan to dramatically renegotiate their relationship with Japanese society and government at large—and to see whether or not Sōjiji’s ascetic traditions can be modernized and globalized.

Joshua A. Irizarry is Visiting Associate Professor of Anthropology at Bridgewater State University, and formerly Adjunct Assistant Professor at the University of Colorado at Denver.

“From its new position overlooking Tokyo Bay, Sōjiji sat witness to a century of dramatic change in Japan: modernization, industrialization, militarization, devastation, occupation, prosperity, recession, precarity, catastrophe, and today, uncertainty. Through it all, Sōjiji has been simultaneously a stalwart bastion of traditional Japanese values and cultural identity and the vanguard of an ambitious religious institution with global aspirations.”

—Joshua A. Irizarry (from the Introduction)

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Visitors line up outside of Sōjiji’s Butsuden (Buddha Hall) on New Year’s Day.

Sōjiji’s cantor (ino) reads the names of donors at a ceremony during Sōjiji’s 100th Anniversary celebration.

A road leads through rice paddies to the future site of Sōjiji in Tsurumi, ca. 1909.
Democracy Moving

Bill T. Jones, Contemporary American Performance, and the Racial Past

Ariel Nereson

Explores the potential of movement to create and revise historical narratives of race and nation

On the 200th anniversary of Abraham Lincoln’s birth, renowned choreographer and director Bill T. Jones developed three dance works incorporating Lincoln’s writings to examine key moments in his life and his enduring legacy. Democracy Moving explores how these tributes provided both an occasion and a method for reconceiving democracy and history through movement, positioning dance as a form of both history and historiography. It addresses how different communities have commemorated historical figures, events, and places through art—and in particular, Black US American counter-memorial practices that address histories of slavery. Advancing the theory of oscillation as Black aesthetic praxis, Ariel Nereson celebrates Jones as a public intellectual whose practice contributes to understanding America’s relationship to its troubled past. The book includes materials from Bill T. Jones/Arnie Zane Company’s largely unexplored archive, interviews with artists, and photos documenting this critical stage of Jones’s career as it explores how aesthetics, as ideas in action, can imagine more just and equitable social formations.

Ariel Nereson is Assistant Professor of Dance Studies, University at Buffalo.

“Compelling . . . the focus allows the author to deeply analyze the artistry using sophisticated critical theory at the site of race, gender, and sexuality while indicating the importance of and implications for Jones’s other works.”
—Nadine George-Graves, Northwestern University

“Through vivid and compelling analyses of specific pieces, Nereson makes a very important contribution to our understanding of late 20th and 21st century performance, African American identity, and the complex relationships between past and present.”
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Uniform Feelings
Scenes from the Psychic Life of Policing
Jessi Lee Jackson

Sheds light on the emotional dynamics behind policing with an eye toward its abolition

Uniform Feelings explores emotions and U.S. policing. Utilizing a mix of clinical case studies, autotheory, and ethnographic research, Jessi Lee Jackson examines the emotional and psychological forces that shape U.S. police power. She begins with her work as a psychotherapist working across the spectrum of relationships to policing, and then interrogates carceral psychology—the involvement of her profession in ongoing state violence. Within her investigation of clinical practice, Jackson offers a critique of contemporary police psychology, which constructs police as vulnerable heroes in need of protection and normalizes a celebration of gun culture. She also explores the police claim of premature death for officers alongside the creation of premature death for those targeted by policing. Jackson then turns to police psychology’s participation in training and consulting with police departments, highlighting that these efforts do not serve to restrain police power, but to legitimate it. In the final section of the book, Jackson explores fantasies and mourning processes around policing at police memorials and museums, rapidly expanding sites where public feelings and state violence collide.

Jessi Lee Jackson is a licensed mental health counselor with over 15 years of clinical experience. She holds a PhD in American Studies from the University at Buffalo (SUNY).

“The police stand at the very heart of white bourgeois order. Uniform Feelings puts this fact up front and center, forcing readers to contemplate the politics of police power and the everyday violence it enacts in the most insidious and spectacular of ways. The book offers a thoughtful and very helpful discussion about racialized state violence as its agents understand, and disown, their legal capacity for violence. Given its focus on material culture and psychology, the book offers a unique approach to thinking about the police power. It is a welcome offering.”
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In Contempt
Defending Free Speech, Defeating HUAC
Ed Yellin and Jean Fagan Yellin

How an American family beat HUAC with a First Amendment defense

“YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to be and appear before the Committee on Un-American Activities of the House of Representatives of the United States, or a duly appointed subcommittee thereof, on February 10 (Monday), 1958, at ten o’clock a.m. at City Council Chambers, City Hall, Gary, Indiana then and there to testify touching matters of inquiry committed to said committee, and not to depart without leave of said committee.”

So began a decade of hardship for Ed and Jean Yellin and their three young children as the repressive weight of the U.S. government, caught up in the throes of McCarthyism, crashed down upon their careers, their daily household budget, and their relationships with colleagues, neighbors, and their country. In Contempt is a faithful, factual testament to the enduring quality of patriotic dissent in our evolving democracy—and a loving reconstruction of what it meant to be labeled “unAmerican” for defending the Constitution.

Ed Yellin earned his Ph.D. in mechanical engineering at the University of Illinois, then taught and retired as Professor Emeritus in the Department of Physiology and Biophysics at Albert Einstein College of Medicine in New York. His research focused on problems of blood flow across the mitral valve.

Jean Fagan Yellin earned her Ph.D. in American literature at the University of Illinois, then taught and retired as Distinguished Professor Emerita at Pace University in New York. Her writing centered on literature, race, and women in 19th-century America. She is best known for her award-winning work on the fugitive slave Harriet Jacobs, the author of Incidents in the Life of a Slave Girl.

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Left: Linocuts by Jean Yellin, created as greeting cards during the years of the Yellin case, inspired by Pablo Picasso’s famous 1949 image of a peace dove. Ed and Jean Yellin HUAC Papers, Joseph A. Labadie Collection, University of Michigan Library.

Below: Political cartoon. Ed and Jean Yellin HUAC Papers, Joseph A. Labadie Collection, University of Michigan Library.
Contested Pasts
A Determinist History of Alexander the Great in the Roman Empire
Jennifer Finn

A fresh approach to the Roman imperial tradition on Alexander the Great

Taking as a key turning point the self-fashioning of the first Roman emperor Augustus, Jennifer Finn revisits the idea of “universal history” in Polybius, Justin, and Diodorus, combined with the Stoic philosophy of determinism. Finn endeavors to determine the ways in which Roman authors manipulated narratives about Alexander’s campaigns to artificially construct a past to which the Romans could attach themselves as a natural teleological culmination. In doing so, Contested Pasts uses five case studies to reexamine aspects of Alexander’s campaigns that have received much attention in modern scholarship, providing new interpretations of famous issues such as the Great Weddings at Susa and the battles at Thermopylae. While Finn demonstrates the influence for many of these narratives likely originated in the reign of Alexander or his Successors, these retroactive authorial manipulations force us to confront the fact that we may have an even more opaque understanding of Alexander than has previously been acknowledged. Through the application of a mnemohistorical approach, the book seeks to provide a new understanding of the ways in which Romans—and people in the purview of the Romans—conceptualized their world with reference to Alexander the Great.

Jennifer Finn is Associate Professor and Chair, Department of Classical Studies, Loyola University Chicago.

“An important contribution to our understanding of how the history of Alexander the Great came to be written. It demonstrates well how the world of the Roman Empire, in which the surviving narratives were written, influenced many aspects of that telling in a range of different ways.”
—Hugh Bowden, King’s College London

You May Also Be Interested In:
Torture, Humiliate, Kill
Inside the Bosnian Serb Camp System
Hikmet Karčić

The first in the new Ethnic Conflict series — detention camps as instruments of torture and collective trauma

Half a century after the Holocaust, Bosnian Serbs orchestrated a system of concentration camps where they subjected their Bosnian Muslim and Croat neighbors to torture, abuse, and killing. Foreign journalists exposed the horrors of the camps in the summer of 1992, sparking worldwide outrage. This exposure, however, did not stop the mass atrocities. Hikmet Karčić shows that the use of camps and detention facilities has been a ubiquitous practice in countless wars and genocides in order to achieve the wartime objectives of perpetrators. Although camps have been used for different strategic purposes, their essential functions are always the same: to inflict torture and lasting trauma on the victims.

Torture, Humiliate, Kill develops the author’s collective traumatization theory, which contends that the concentration camps set up by the Bosnian Serb authorities had the primary purpose of inflicting collective trauma on the non-Serb population of Bosnia and Herzegovina. This collective traumatization consisted of excessive use of torture, sexual abuse, humiliation, and killing. The physical and psychological suffering imposed by these methods were seen as a quick and efficient means to establish the Serb “living space.” Karčić argues that this trauma was deliberately intended to deter non-Serbs from ever returning to their pre-war homes. Torture, Humiliate, Kill is a thorough and definitive resource for understanding the function and operation of camps during the Bosnian genocide.

Hikmet Karčić is Senior Researcher at the Institute for Islamic Tradition of Bosniaks.

“A vivid, moving, and sensitive account of [the] Bosnian Serb camp system, shedding light on how the camps were not only instruments of death, but thoroughly genocidal instruments of social-psychological terror. Placing Bosnian Serb camps in their local historical and global context, Torture, Humiliate, Kill significantly advances our critical knowledge of the Bosnian Genocide.”

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**TORTURE, HUMILIA TE, KILL**
INSIDE THE BOSNIAN SERB CAMP SYSTEM

HIKMET K ARČIĆ
The Development of Political Institutions
Power, Legitimacy, Democracy
Federico Ferrara

Examining human motivation and historical influence in political development

While the literature on “new institutionalism” explains the stability of institutional arrangements within countries and the divergence of paths of institutional development between countries, Federico Ferrara improves upon existing explanations of the development of political institutions, taking a “historical institutionalist” approach to theorize dynamic processes of institutional reproduction, institutional decay, and institutional change. With regard to each of these outcomes, Ferrara synthesizes “power-based” or “power-distributional” explanations and “ideas-based” “legitimation explanations.” Among his more significant contributions, he specifies the psychological “microfoundations” of processes of institutional development, drawing heavily from the findings of experimental psychology to ensure that the explanation is grounded in clear and realistic assumptions regarding human motivation, cognition, and behavior. Aside from being of interest to scholars and graduate students in political science and other social-scientific disciplines whose research concentrates on the genesis of political institutions, their evolution over time, or their impact on the stability of political order and the quality of governance, the book may feature as required reading in graduate courses and seminars in comparative politics where the study of institutions and their development ranks among the subfield’s most important subjects.

Federico Ferrara is Associate Professor in the Department of Asian & International Studies at City University of Hong Kong.

“This is a highly sophisticated and original theoretical statement about political authority and development. Ferrara successfully integrates the study of power and legitimacy while elegantly interweaving contemporary and classical accounts of political organization across the ages.”

—Orfeo Fioretos, Temple University

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Building Opposition Alliances in Electoral Autocracies

Elvin Ong

Why opposition parties use alliances to fight autocracy, and when they don’t

When do opposition party leaders build pre-electoral alliances to compete against electoral autocrats? Through case study comparisons in East and Southeast Asia—between the Philippines and South Korea in the late 1980s, and between Malaysia and Singapore from 1965 to 2020—Opposing Power argues that opposition elites’ perceptions of regime vulnerability and mutual dependency shape their efforts to construct alliances. Multiple regime-debilitating events striking the incumbent within a short period of time can galvanize efforts for inter-party coordination. Additionally, clear information about the relative strengths and weaknesses of opposition parties fosters recognition of their mutual dependency, inducing party leaders to coordinate toward joint victory. Drawing on a broad range of archival material and a wealth of fieldwork, Opposing Power illustrates how dueling opposition parties can sometimes become strange bedfellows.

Elvin Ong is Assistant Professor of Political Science at the National University of Singapore.

The Dictator’s Dilemma at the Ballot Box

Electoral Manipulation, Economic Maneuvering, and Political Order in Autocracies

Masaaki Higashijima

Dictators don’t dance: why autocrats can hold elections and win

Modern dictatorships hold elections. Contrary to our stereotypic images of autocratic politics, modern autocrats often introduce relatively free and fair elections wherein they refrain from employing blatant electoral manipulation and pro-regime electoral institutions. Why do such “electoral reforms” happen in modern autocracies? Do these elections destabilize autocratic rule? With these questions in mind, this book explores the manners in which dictators design elections and what consequences those elections have on political order. This book argues that strong autocrats, who can effectively obtain popular support through extensive economic distribution, become less dependent on coercive measures in elections. The theory and empirical findings presented in this book suggest that signs of free and fair elections in dictatorships may not be enough for these regimes to achieve full-fledged democratization.

Masaaki Higashijima is Associate Professor of Political Science at Tohoku University, Japan.
What Women Want
*Gender and Voting in Britain, Japan and the United States*
Gill Steel

**Women vote their own minds**

What Women Want analyzes decades of voting preferences, values, and policy preferences to debunk some of the media and academic myths about gender gaps in voting and policy preferences. Findings show that no single theory explains when differences in women’s and men’s voting preferences emerge, when they do not, or when changes—or the lack thereof—occur over time. Steel extends existing theories to create a broader framework for thinking about gender and voting behavior to provide more analytical purchase in understanding gender and its varying effects on individual voters’ preferences. She incorporates the long-term effects of party identification and class politics on political decision-making, particularly in how they influence preferences on social provision and on expectations of the state. She also points to the importance of symbolic politics.

Gill Steel is Professor of Political Science in the Institute for the Liberal Arts at Doshisha University.

“This book is chock full of great data and represents a timely contribution to political science. Steel’s voice is hip, and especially well-suited for the newcomer to politics seeking a solid introduction to the intersection of gender and electoral politics across three distinct democracies. Experts alike will benefit from Steel’s comparative analysis.”
—Dyron Dabney, Earlham College

“This well-researched, well-written book draws on an impressive variety of evidence to make an important contribution to our understanding of the ‘gender gap’ in voting. This book has much to teach readers about the relationship between gender and forces like class, symbolic politics, the media, and political campaigns.”
—Michael Strausz, Texas Christian University

You May Also Be Interested In:
Cops, Teachers, Counselors
*Stories from the Front Lines of Public Service, New and Expanded Edition*
Steven Maynard-Moody and Michael Musheno

How government workers make sense of their work, ascribe identity, and account for their actions

Since the 1980s, street-level bureaucracy research and theory has deeply shaped scholarship and practice in the US and globally in a wide-range of disciplines. The 2003 edition of *Cops, Teachers, Counselors* has become one of the more visible books in the field. This research employed an innovative story collection and analytical approach that examined how frontline workers understand and interpret fairness in the delivery of government services. It also moved scholars from seeing these workers as exclusively agents of the state and more as people who see their judgment as a product of their direct interactions with various publics. This new edition wraps an expanded theoretical framing around the original chapters guided by scholarly conversations since the 2003 publication and by the authors’ own separate research on schools and policing.

Steven Maynard-Moody is Director of the Policy Research Institute and Professor of Public Administration at the University of Kansas. Michael Musheno is Professor of Law at the University of Oregon.

“It will challenge your thinking about the field, and you will never forget it.”
—PA Times

**Beyond the Death of God**
*Religion in 21st Century International Politics*
Simone Raudino and Patricia Sohn, Editors

Politics and religion are inextricable in every society

This volume offers a nuanced picture of the specific instances of religion and politics in Muslim, Jewish, Christian, and Hindu contexts via country and thematic case studies. Qualitative, quantitative, material, philosophical, and theological analyses draw on social theory, showing in how deeply religion matters in every time and every place. The authors and contributors demonstrate that religion drives societies and polities around the world, and that a radical change in the Western understanding of value-driven global politics is needed. It offers new local voices that many Western audiences have not yet heard. The essays in this volume suggest the need for an appreciation of Divinity as a force holding a significant place in the hearts, minds, social orders, and political organization of polities around the world.

Simone Raudino is Attaché for the European Union, Brussels. Patricia Sohn is Associate Professor of Political Science at the University of Florida.

“...leads us to reconsider the relevance of the secularization paradigm and to rethink the traditional dichotomy between religion and politics in contemporary societies.”
—Laurent Mayali, University of California, Berkeley
The Language(s) of Politics
Multilingual Policy-Making in the European Union
Nils Ringe
Multilingualism depoliticizes policymaking in the EU

In a globalized world, consequential political decisions are often negotiated between politicians who do not share a common native language. Nils Ringe uses the case of the European Union to investigate how politicians’ reliance on shared foreign languages and translation services affects politics and policy-making. In-depth interviews with almost 100 policymakers and language service providers in the EU’s main institutions, paired with quantitative and linguistic data, show multilingualism to be an inherent, ubiquitous, and consequential feature of EU politics. Ringe finds that multilingualism depoliticizes policy-making, meaning that it reduces its political nature and potential for conflict.

The Language(s) of Politics demonstrates that foreign language use and reliance on translation result in simple and neutralized communication; use of commonly shared expressions that mask national and political backgrounds and priorities of EU actors; a tendency to disregard politically charged language because it might not reflect what a speaker meant to say; and constraints on the use of vague or ambiguous language to gloss over disagreements by the need for consistency across languages.

Nils Ringe is Professor and Jean Monnet Chair at the University of Wisconsin–Madison.

Delegating Responsibility
International Cooperation on Migration in the European Union
Nicholas R. Micinski
A new theory of international cooperation on migration

Delegating Responsibility explores the politics of migration in the European Union and explains how and why the EU responded to the 2015–17 refugee crisis. Based on 86 interviews and fieldwork in Greece and Italy, Nicholas R. Micinski puts forward a new theory of international cooperation on international migration. States approach migration policies in many ways—such as coordination, collaboration, subcontracting, and unilateralism—but which way they choose is based on the migration state capacity and credible partners on the ground. Micinski traces the evolution of EU migration management, like border security and asylum policies, over the last fifty years and shows how EU officials used “crises” as political leverage to further Europeanize migration governance. He concludes with a discussion of policy recommendations regarding the current situation and long-term aspirations for migration management in the EU. This book is an excellent introduction to the politics of the EU, migration and refugee policy, and humanitarianism and presents original data and findings from the 2015–17 refugee crisis.

Nicholas R. Micinski is Assistant Professor of Political Science at the University of Maine.
Normalization in World Politics
Gëzim Visoka and Nicolas Lemay-Hébert

The imposition of normalcy on fragile states and crises, and its implications for world politics

As world politics faces new challenges—from climate change to the rise of populism in Western politics and beyond—references to normalcy have been creeping into political discourse, with people either vying for a return to stability or coping with the new normal. Visoka and Lemay-Hébert argue that while normalcy is how scholars make sense of the world, there has been little explicit effort to conceptualize and unpack the meaning of normal and the quest for normalcy in practice. Normalization in World Politics traces main discourses and practices associated with normalcy in world politics, focusing on how dominant states and international organizations try to manage global affairs through imposing normalcy over fragile states, restoring normalcy over disaster-affected states, and accepting normalcy over suppressive states. They show how these normalization interventions go on to shape the dynamics of continuity and change in world politics.

Gëzim Visoka is Associate Professor of Peace and Conflict Studies in the School of Law and Government at Dublin City University, Ireland. Nicolas Lemay-Hébert is Senior Lecturer, Department of International Relations, Coral Bell Scholl of Asia Pacific Affairs, Australian National University, Australia.

Compound Containment
A Reigning Power’s Military-Economic Countermeasures against a Challenging Power
Dong Jung Kim

Using military and economic measures to contain rising threats in great power relationships

Scholars of great power politics have traditionally focused on examining a reigning power’s military containment of a challenging power. In direct contrast, Compound Containment demonstrates that these conventional studies fail to understand that countering a challenging power requires addressing both economic and military dimensions. This nexus of security and economy in a reigning power’s response to a challenging power cannot be explained by traditional theories that dominate research in international security. Author Dong Jung Kim fills a gap in the scholarship on great power competition by investigating when a reigning power will make its military containment of a challenging power “compound” by simultaneously employing restrictive economic measures. Its main theoretical claims are corroborated by an analysis of key historical cases of reigning power-challenging power competition. This book also offers policy prescriptions for the United States by examining whether the US is in a position to complement military containment of China with restrictive economic measures.

Dong Jung Kim is Associate Professor, Graduate School of International Studies, Korea University.
Global Cities in Latin America and Asia

*Welcome to the Twenty-First Century*

Pablo Baisotti, Editor

Emerging cities will define the modernity of the new century

Global Cities in Latin America and Asia: Welcome to the Twenty-First Century proposes new visions of global cities and regions historically considered “secondary” in the international context. The arguments are not only based on material progress, but also on the growing social difficulties experienced by these metropolises (e.g., organized crime, drug trafficking, slums, and economic inequalities). The book illustrates the growth of cities according to these problems arising from the modernity of the new century, comparing Latin American and Asian cities.

This book analyzes the complex relationships within cities through an interdisciplinary approach, complementing other research and challenging orthodox views on global cities. At the same time, the book provides new theoretical and methodological tools to understand the progress of “Third World” cities and the way of understanding “globality” in the 21st century by confronting the traditional views with which global cities were appreciated since the 1980s. Pablo Baisotti brings together researchers from various fields who provide new interpretative keys to certain cities in Latin America and Asia.

Pablo Baisotti is an External Researcher at the University of Brasilia, Department of Latin American Studies (ELA).

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—Rafael Martín Rodríguez, Fudan University

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- *City Diplomacy: From City-Stores to Global Cities*
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Above: The townscape of the historical district of Suzhou: a street in Pingjiang Road. Source: Raffaele Pernice’s personal collection 2018

Left: A view, from the eastern side of the river, of the island (still under construction) and the commercial high-rise housings across the water. Source: Gang Hong, 2018

Pride, Not Prejudice
National Identity as a Pacifying Force in East Asia
Eunbin Chung

Nationalism as a path to international peace

In Northeast Asia, growing regional economic interdependence and efforts to ease historical animosity are not enough to overcome bitter memories grounded in earlier wars, invasions, and periods of colonial domination. Numerous studies of clashes between strong nationalisms around the world have suggested that more peaceful relations are likely only if countries submerge existing national identities by promoting universalism. Conversely, Pride, Not Prejudice argues that affirmation of national identities may be a more effective bridge to international cooperation. This idea is consistent with the theoretical foundation that those who have a clear, secure, and content sense of self can be more open, evenhanded, and less defensive toward others. Chung borrows the social psychological theory of self-affirmation to argue that affirmation of a national identity, or reflecting on what it means to be part of one’s country, can increase trust, guilt recognition, and positive perception between countries.

Eunbin Chung is Assistant Professor of Political Science at the University of Utah.

Capital Choices
Sectoral Politics and the Variation of Sovereign Wealth, Revised Edition
Juergen Braunstein

Demystifies the process, policy, and economics of sovereign wealth fund creation, updated for a post-Covid world

Sovereign wealth funds (SWFs) are state-controlled pools of capital that hold financial and real assets and manage them to grow the nation’s base of sovereign wealth. The dramatic rise of SWFs in both number and size, and the fact that most are located in non-OECD countries, has raised concern about the direction of capitalism. Yet SWFs are not a homogenous group of actors. Capital Choices analyzes the creation of different SWFs from a comparative political economy perspective, arguing that different state-society structures at the sectoral level are the drivers for SWF variation. Braunstein’s novel analytical framework provides practical lessons for the business and finance organizations and policymakers of countries that have created, or are planning to create, SWFs.

Juergen Braunstein is a Fellow at Harvard Kennedy School.

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Styling Political Sensibilities in Postwar West Germany
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How postwar West German democracy was styled through word, image, sound, performance, and gathering

It is no surprise that the current moment of crisis that Western democracies are experiencing has provoked new interest in how democracies come to be. Scholars of democracy long looked to the Federal Republic of Germany as a notable “success story” of a transition from a violent, authoritarian regime to a peaceable nation of rights, even though this account has been contested since its inception. The Arts of Democratization casts a fresh look at the early years of this fledgling democracy and draws attention to the ways democracy and the democratic subject were conceived and rendered at this time.

These essays highlight the contradictory impulses that ran through the project to democratize postwar society and cast a critical eye toward the internal biases that shaped the model of Western democracy. In so doing, the contributions probe critical questions that we continue to grapple with today: what it means to be democratic, the terms that define democratic subjectivity, and how these definitions deploy notions of nation, race, gender, or sexuality. The case of West Germany offers compelling ways to think more broadly about the emergence of democracy, and The Arts of Democratization offers lessons that resonate with the current moment as we consider what interventions may be necessary to resuscitate democracy.

Jennifer M. Kapczynski is a psychotherapist in Berkeley, CA and former Associate Professor of German and Film & Media Studies at Washington University in St. Louis. Caroline A. Kita is Associate Professor of German and Comparative Literature at Washington University in St. Louis.

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Daniel E. Agbiboa

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Despite the centrality of mobility to the operations of both state and nonstate armed groups—as well as the survival strategies of civilians in conflict zones—issues of mobility and access have remained tangential to how we analyze contemporary armed insurgencies. The extant literature focuses on the “roots” of armed insurgencies while glossing over its “routes” and trajectories. Agbiboa foregrounds mobility in this book as a key arena where state and nonstate actors jostle for ascendancy, reflecting the contested nature of power. Mobility, Mobilization, and Counter/Insurgency has three interconnected objectives: to analyze the evolution and mutation of Boko Haram in light of how the sect interacts with mobility and mobile infrastructures; to gauge the extent to which the governance of mobility has been a central factor in the war against Boko Haram; and to assess the impact of Boko Haram’s mobile warfare and the state’s regulation of mobility on people whose livelihoods rest squarely on movement and access. By studying the armed insurgencies through the lens of mobility and access, new questions are generated, established themes are rethought, and fresh empirical sites are explored. Finally, the book’s focus on Africa provides a long overdue corrective to extant literature on mobilities, which too rarely expand beyond cultures and canonical discussions of mobility in Western societies.

Daniel E. Agbiboa is Assistant Professor of African and African American Studies at Harvard University.

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Human Capital versus Basic Income

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Examines the relationship between the election of left-leaning presidents and cash transfer programs in Latin America

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Fabián A. Borges is Associate Professor of Political Science at California State University, San Bernardino.

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Tokyo Boogie-woogie and D.T. Suzuki

Shoji Yamada

Depicts the conflict between Eastern and global new ideas behind the struggle between D.T. Suzuki and his son

Tokyo Boogie-woogie and D.T. Suzuki seeks to understand the tensions between competing cultures, generations, and beliefs in Japan during the years following World War II, through the lens of one of its best-known figures and one of its most forgotten. Daisetsu Teitaro Suzuki (D.T. Suzuki) was a prolific scholar and translator of Buddhism, Zen, and Chinese and Japanese philosophy and religious history. In the postwar years, he was a central figure in the introduction of Buddhism to the United States and other English-language countries. In his shadow was his adopted son, Suzuki Alan Masaru, known mostly as the lyricist of the iconic 60s pop hit “Tokyo Boogie-woogie.” Perhaps due to his frequent scandals and the fraught relations with his adoptive father, he remains unmentioned and unstudied by scholars and historians. Yet by exploring the nature of the relationship between these two, Yamada digs into the conflicting memories and experiences of these generations in Japan.

Shoji Yamada is Professor in the International Research Center for Japanese Studies and the School of Cultural and Social Studies at The Graduate University for Advanced Studies.
Collecting Lives

Critical Data Narrative as Modernist Aesthetic in Early Twentieth-Century US Literatures

Elizabeth Rodrigues

How a group of modernist writers used their training as empiricists to create a data-driven aesthetic

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The Medieval Postcolonial Jew,
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Miriamne Ara Krummel

Confronts the fraught temporal dissonances in the structure of Jewish and Christian time

The Medieval Postcolonial Jew studies violent temporal clashes that are written into the medieval vision of *annus domini*. Christian temporality represents Jewish time as oddly outmoded and advocating uncivil behavior. Jewish temporality, in turn, records a marginalized people who work to rescue their embattled temporality from becoming a time forgotten. Through a select group of literature in Middle English, Latin, and Hebrew, Miriamne Ara Krummel confronts the notion that *annus domini* time figures as the universal standard. Krummel argues how Other temporalities are imagined as wholly devised out of stories that promote fear and terror and are positioned as putative threats to the temporal empire of Latin Christendom. The book reflects on the ways in which “common” time both marks and silences marginal identities and shows to what extent the dynamics of the medieval environment materialize in our modern world.

Miriamne Ara Krummel is Professor of Medieval Literature at the University of Dayton.

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Amor Belli
Love and Strife in Lucan’s Bellum Civile
Giulio Celotto

Exploration of Lucan’s literary adaptation of the cosmological dialectic of Love and Strife

Compelled by the emperor Nero to commit suicide at age 25 after writing uncomplimentary poems, Latin poet Lucan nevertheless left behind a significant body of work, including the Bellum Civile (Civil War). Author Giulio Celotto provides an interpretation of the civil war between Julius Caesar and Pompey based on the examination of an aspect completely neglected by previous scholarship: Lucan’s literary adaptation of the cosmological dialectic of Love and Strife. According to a reading that has found favor over the last three decades, the poem is an unconventional epic that does not conform to Aristotelian norms: Lucan composes a poem characterized by fragmentation and disorder, lacking a conventional teleology, and whose narrative flow is constantly delayed. Celotto’s study challenges this interpretation by illustrating how Lucan invokes imagery of cosmic dissolution, but without obliterating epic norms.: rather, the poem transforms them from within in order to condemn the establishment of the Principate and the Julio-Claudian dynasty.

Giulio Celotto is Assistant Professor of Classics at the University of Virginia.
**Discourse, Knowledge, and Power in Apuleius’ *Metamorphoses***

Evelyn Adkins

*The first in-depth examination of speech and discourse as tools of characterization in Apuleius’ *Metamorphoses*

*Discourse, Knowledge, and Power* presents a new approach to the *Metamorphoses*: it is the first in-depth investigation of the use of speech and discourse as tools of characterization in Apuleius’ *Metamorphoses*. It argues that discourse is the primary tool for negotiating identity, status, and power in the novel. Although it takes as its starting point the role of discourse in the characterization of literary figures, it contends that the process we see in the *Metamorphoses* reflects the reality of the second century CE Roman Empire. Previous scholarship has read the novel as either a literary puzzle or a source-text for social, philosophical, or religious history. In contrast, this book uses a framework of discourse analysis to bring Latin literary studies into dialogue with Roman rhetoric, social and cultural history, religion, and philosophy as well as approaches to language and power from the fields of sociology, linguistics, and linguistic anthropology. *Discourse, Knowledge, and Power* argues that a fictional account of a man who becomes an animal has much to tell us not only about ancient Roman society and culture, but also about the dynamics of human and gendered communication, the anxieties of the privileged, and their implications for swiftly shifting configurations of status and power.

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Jill Stevenson

How Christian depictions of the End allow spectators to experience—and feel—their place within the future of humankind

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Jill Stevenson is Professor of Theatre Arts, Marymount Manhattan College.

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Televising Chineseness

Gender, Nation, and Subjectivity

Geng Song

Offers new understandings of gender construction and nation-building through the lens of recent Chinese television programs

The serial narrative is one of the most robust and popular forms of storytelling in contemporary China. This form of storytelling is becoming the centerpiece of a fast-growing digital entertainment industry and a new symbol and carrier of China’s soft power. Televising Chineseness: Gender, Nation, and Subjectivity explores how television and online dramas imagine the Chinese nation and form postsocialist Chinese gendered subjects. The book addresses a conspicuous paradox in Chinese popular culture today: the coexistence of increasingly diverse gender presentations and conservative gender policing by the government, viewers, and society. Using first-hand data collected through interviews and focus group discussions with audiences comprising viewers of different ages, genders, and educational backgrounds, Televising Chineseness sheds light on how television culture relates to the power mechanisms and truth regimes that shape the understanding of gender and the construction of gendered subjects in postsocialist China.

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Joshua St. Pierre is Canada Research Chair in Critical Disability Studies, and Assistant Professor of Political Science at the University of Alberta.
For the Culture

_Hip-Hop and the Fight for Social Justice_

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Examines the relationship among social justice, Hip-Hop culture, and resistance

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