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Hong Kong : Basheer Design Books (HK) Limited, c2005
227 p. : ill. ; 30 cm.
988-98392-1-0
\$ 65.00

The Conservation of Urban Heritage : Macao vision / Edited by David Lung
China : Instituto Cultural do Governo da R.A.E. de Macau, Cultural Institute of the Macao S.A.R. Government, c2004
xxii, 218 p. : ill. ; 26 cm.
99937-0-058-4
\$ 35.00

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Ancient Chinese culinary ware
Hong Kong : Leisure and cultural services department, c2004
124 p. : ill. ; 29 cm.
962-721-350-0
\$ 35.00

Art

Enlightening Pursuits : Scholar's Objects from the Mengdiexuan Collection -
30.6~30.9.2006 / Edited by Anita Yin-fong WONG and Annie Mo-oi CHOW
Hong Kong : University Museum and Art Gallery, c2006
382 p. : ill. ; 31 cm.
Includes Bibliography
962-8038-64-8
\$ 65.00

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Chronology of Chinese Dynasties (Tang to Qing)

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798 : A Photographic Journal / Zhu Yan

Hong Kong. : Timezone 8 Ltd, c2004

182 p. : ill. ; 25 cm.

988-97262-7-0

In Chinese and English

\$ 85.00

A Brush with Irony : Paintings by Wan Qingli / Edited by LUK Yu Ping

Hong Kong : University Museum and Art Gallery, The University of Hong Kong, c2006

80 p. : ill. ; 31 cm.

962-8038-66-4

\$ 14.50

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Images of Simplicity and Prodigy-Reading Wan Qingli's Paintings

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In her view : the photographs of Hedda Morrison in China and Sarawak 1933-67 /
Edited by Claire Roberts

NSW, Australia : Powerhouse Publishing, part of the Museum of Applied Arts and
Sciences, c1993

36 p. : ill. ; 30 cm.

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1-86317-039-1

1. Morrison, Hedda
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Engraving the World : The Chalcography of the Louvre Museum- Includes a CD-Rom
/ Edited by Vincent Sator

Hong Kong : University Museum and Art Gallery, The University of Hong Kong, 2006

64 p. : ill. ; 24 cm.

2-9526420-0-1

\$ 16.50

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East Meets the West : Cultural Relics from the Pearl River Delta Region

Hong Kong : Hong Kong Museum of History, c2005

252 p. : ill. ; 30 cm.

Includes Maps
962-7039-55-1
In Chinese and English
\$ 24.00

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Major Events on the Maritime History of Guangdong, Hong Kong and Macao
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Business & Management

Chinese Leadership Wisdom From The Book of Change / Mun Kin Chok
Hong Kong : The Chinese University Press, c2006
xiv, 474 p. : ill. ; 23 cm.
Includes Bibliography
962-996-293-4
\$ 32.50

[For centuries, The Book of Change (or the Yijing) has been consulted for sage advice at life's turning points. It differs from simple prognostication, however, in that it demands us to cultivate an understanding of the situation, the world, and most of all, ourselves; indeed, this understanding is essential for leaders of all times. Mun Kin Chok, a marketing scholar by profession, derives a rational approach to organizational leadership from the Book of Change. The yin-yang concept is illustrated according to contexts and characters of man. The sixty-four hexagrams and each of their six possible "changing lines" are analyzed in a clear systematic manner. Skeptical of oracle predictions, the author combs through different divination methods and utilizes them as tools to calculate risks and stimulate ideas. The book's accessible format, contemporary language, and extensive applications will allow modern-day readers to make the Chinese sages' wisdom your own.]

The Man Who Turned the Lights on Gordon Wu / Rosemary Sayer
Hong Kong : Chameleon Press, c2006
208 p. : ill. ; 23 cm.
988-98362-9-7
\$ 29.50

[Sir Gordon Ying Sheung Wu, Chairman of Hopewell Holdings, can be said to personify the driving ambition behind East Asia's rapid economic rise in the latter part of the 20th century and its dramatic collapse in 1997. Today, Wu is one of the Asia's best-known entrepreneurs and this book traces the birth of a family dynasty. Beginning with the creation of the famous Hong Kong taxi service by Wu's father, the book recounts Gordon Wu's life as a small boy during the Second World War in Japanese occupied Hong Kong, through his university studies in the United States, his return to Hong Kong and the building of one of Asia's best

known companies. He survived the 1997 financial crisis and has once again emerged as a major force in Asian infrastructure.

Wu saw huge potential in China years before most people. He listened with keen anticipation to Deng Xiaoping's famous 'open door' economic policy address in 1978: the closed Middle Kingdom was opening its doors and inviting the world to come in. Hopewell Holdings quickly became the largest single investor in China through a bold program of infrastructure creation.

Lauded as a visionary, famous for his outspoken views and dubbed as 'the man who turned the lights on' by former Philippine president Fidel Ramos, Wu is above all else a survivor. Now in his seventies, he continues to be as innovative and controversial as ever.]

Cinema Studies

China on Screen : Cinema and Nation / Chris Berry and Mary Farquhar

Hong Kong : Hong Kong University Press, c2006

xvi, 314 p. : ill. ; 23 cm.

Includes Bibliography and Index

962-209-806-1

\$ 30.00

[In China on Screen, Chris Berry and Mary Farquhar, leaders in the field of Chinese film studies, explore more than one hundred years of Chinese cinema and nation. Providing new perspectives on key movements, themes, and filmmakers, Berry and Farquhar analyze the films of a variety of directors and actors, including Chen Kaige, Zhang Yimou, Hou Hsiao Hsein, Bruce Lee, Jackie Chan, Maggie Cheung, Gong Li, Wong Kar-wai, and Ang Lee. They argue for the abandonment of "national cinema" as an analytic tool and propose "cinema and the national" as a more productive framework. With this approach, they show how movies from China, Hong Kong, Taiwan and the Chinese diaspora construct and contest different ideas of Chinese nation-as empire, republic, or ethnicity, and complicated by gender, class, style, transnationalism, and more. Among the issues and themes covered are the tension between operatic and realist modes, male and female star images, transnational production and circulation of Chinese films, the image of the good foreigner-all related to different ways of imagining nation. Comprehensive and provocative, China on Screen is a crucial work of film analysis.]

Economics

The Money changers : A Guided Tour through Global Currency Markets / Robert G. Williams.

Hong Kong : Hong Kong University Press [Fernwood Publishing, Nova Scotia , SIRD, Kuala Lumpur and Zed Books, London & New York], c2006

xviii, 286 p. : ill. ; 24 cm.

Includes Index

962-209-816-9

1. Foreign exchange market.

2. International finance

\$ 22.00

[At almost \$ 2 trillion per day in trades, currency markets vitally link the world together. Yet few people understand how they work and why they are prone to instability and bouts of panic. The Money Changers takes the reader behind the

scenes on a tour of places, the machines, the circuitry and the people involved in moving world money.

The journey begins as a traveler removes foreign currency from an ATM in Istanbul. Robert Williams guides us from the periphery of the market into its neutral centers in financial hubs such as London and New York. Currency traders, market analysts, money managers and payment systems architects show their workplaces and reveal their day-to-day experiences in this unpredictable and rapidly evolving world.

The experts interviewed may use familiar terms, but the logical progression of the chapters and participants' stories told in workplace settings bring abstract concepts down to earth. After completing the tour, the reader will have a clear picture of the geographical and structural organization of global currency markets and the people who run them. This vision of a volatile, evolving structure will provide a useful framework for deciphering the complex causes of yet unforeseen financial events.]

History

Macau Património Mundial = Macao World Heritage

Revista de Cultura = Review of Culture – International Edition 15, July-2005 : Macao
Macau : Instituto Cultural do Governo de Região Administrativa Especial de Macau, 2005

192 p. : ill. ; 28 cm.

ISSN : 1682-1106

In Chinese and English

\$ 25.00

Memória E Identidade = Memory and Identity

Revista de Cultura = Review of Culture – International Edition 16, October-2005 :
China Macau : Instituto Cultural do Governo de Região Administrativa Especial de
Macau, 2005

146 p. : ill. ; 28 cm.

ISSN : 1682-1106

In Chinese and English

\$ 25.00

Review of culture : International edition 17 January 2006

Macau : Instituto cultural, 2006

176 p. : ill. ; 28 cm.

Includes index.

International edition 17 (Edição internacional 17 Janeiro/January 2006

\$ 25.00

Hong Kong during the Japanese Occupation / CHENG Po Hung

Hong Kong : University Museum and Art Gallery, The University of Hong Kong, c2006

272 p. : ill. ; 32 cm.

Includes Bibliography and Maps

962-8038-65-6

In Chinese and English

\$ 29.50

Zheng He and the Oceanic Culture : An Exhibition in Memory of the Six Hundredth
Anniversary of Zheng He's Voyages

Hong Kong : National Museum of History, c2005
160 p. : ill. ; 31 cm.
986-00-2520-7
In Chinese and English
\$ 65.00

[Content:
Preface
Essays
Historical Relics of Zheng He
The Evolution of Chinese Ship
Silk Road on the Sea.]

Historic Photographs of Hong Kong & China : Featuring Photographs by : Thomson, Miller, Beato, Floyd, Saunders & Child / Dennis George Crow
Hong Kong : An Exhibition and Sale at Galerie E, c2001
71 p. : ill. ; 28 cm.
\$ 39.50

Digby : A Remarkable Life / Julia L.Y. Chan and N.G. Patil ; Foreword by John Wong
Hong Kong : The University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong University Press, c2006
84 p. : ill. ; 27 cm.
962-209-800-2
\$ 26.00

[This monograph chronicles the life of an eminent pioneer of surgery, K.H. Digby, the important milestones in his professional life and the hardship he faced to fulfill his dreams.
Digby was a remarkable man with great compassion, highly regarded by colleagues, students, and patients, and an innovative and inspiring teacher. This biography, containing previously unpublished photographs, is a tribute to one of the pioneers of modern surgery.]

The Great Difference : Hong Kong's New Territories and its People 1898-2004 / James Hayes
Hong Kong : Hong Kong University Press, c2006
xvi, 290 p. : ill. ; 24 cm.
Includes Bibliography, Index and Maps
Hong Kong History / Hong Kong Series
962-209-794-4
\$ 39.50

[James Stewart Lockhart called it "the great difference". Returned from an inspection tour of the newly leased extension to Hong Kong territory in August 1898, Lockhart, a senior Hong Kong colonial official, had used this phrase to describe the gulf between the New Territories and its people and the existing British Colony of Hong Kong and its inhabitants. In this volume, James Hayes argues that this "the great difference" led the colonial government to administer the New Territories and its people differently from the old urban area from the outset, resulting in repercussions that affect present-day Hong Kong. The study covers the whole period of the Lease, with all its crowded events and dramatic changes, as they affected the native inhabitants and their relationship with the government and, ultimately, the many times larger new urban population.]

Ruan Yuan, 1764-1849 : The Life and Work of a Major Scholar-Official in Nineteenth-Century China before the Opium War / Betty Peh-T'i Wei
Hong Kong : Hong Kong University Press, c2006
xx, 392 p. : ill. ; 24 cm.
Includes Bibliography, Index and Maps
Chinese History Series
962-209-785-5
\$ 52.50

[This book explores the life and work of Ruan Yuan (1764-1849), a scholar-official of renown in mid-Qing China prior to the Opium War, before traditional institutions and values became altered by incursions from the West. His distinction as an official, scholar, and patron of learning has been recognized by both his contemporaries and modern scholars. He was also exulted as an honest official and an exemplary man of the 'Confucian persuasion'. His name is mentioned in almost all the works on Qing history or Chinese classics because of the wide range of his research and publications. A number of these publications are still being reprinted today. This is the first full-length biography of Ruan Yuan in English, and the only one focusing on all aspects of the man's life and work in the context of his time. It follows Ruan Yuan from his childhood in Yangzhou, expansion of his intellectual horizons and political network in Beijing, his long service in the provinces handling some of the most thorny issues of the day in security and control, to the glory as a senior statesman in the capital, and retirement in Yangzhou.]

The Shek Kip Mei Myth : Squatters, Fires and Colonial Rule in Hong Kong, 1950-1963 / Alan Smart
Hong Kong : Hong Kong University Press, c2006
xii, 228 p. ; 23 cm.
Includes Bibliography and Index
962-209-792-8 (HB)
962-209-793-6 (PB)
\$ 26.00 (PB)

[Alan Smart raises serious questions about the standard view that Hong Kong's mass public housing programme was a direct and humane response by the Government to the Shek Kip Mei fire. Rather he argues that the Government's response to that fire was grudging and incremental rather than a sharp and radical turning point, and that the security and stability of Hong Kong weighed as heavily, possibly more so, in the decisions that the predicament of the fire victims. His research shows that a whole sequence of major fires after Shek Kip Mei, and the political costs of the Mainland sending comfort missions to fire victims both before and after were needed to bring about the final commitment to provide mass public housing. In his critical examination of the conventional position, Professor Smart bases his case on a through reading of government records and provides a careful investigation into the origins of the public housing policy in Hong Kong. This volume makes an important contrarian contribution to the post war history of Hong Kong and is a significant addition to the study of its modern development.]

Everything in Style : Harriett Low's Macau / Rosmarie W.N. Lamas
Hong Kong : Hong Kong University Press, c2006
xii, 334 p. : ill. ; 23 cm.

Includes Bibliography and Index.
962-209-788-X (HB)
962-209-789-8 (PB)
\$ 26.00 (PB)

[Macau in the 1820s and 1830s was the center of life for foreigners trading with China through the only permitted gateway of Canton. To this European enclave on the China coast in 1829 came Harriet Low, a young American accompanying her aunt and uncle, a trader from Salem, Massachusetts. Throughout her five-year stay, she wrote a diary that both shows her lively personality and gives us a rich picture of life in Macau.

Rosmarie Lamas focuses on that picture of Macau, embedding extracts from the diary into her text to create an interesting account of that place and its society. But first she embarks with Harriett on the ship at Salem and describes the sea voyage. Once Macau is reached, the history of this old Portuguese settlement is outlined. Then, through Harriett's eyes, but enhanced greatly by her own historical research on Macau, Lamas explores religion and the position of American Protestants in that Catholic city. After this she moves on to write: about foreign women's lives of style and luxury there, to which the title refers; about love and marriage, a favorite topic of Harriett understandably as a single woman in a predominantly male population; about the human side of the economic activity that was the *raison d'être* for the community, an obvious subject for a trader's niece; and about the relationships between the different communities that made up Macau's polyglot society.

This book sets a selection from Harriett Low's delightful diary into a fascinating account of life on the China Coast. Organized by theme, Lamas enables the reader to enjoy Harriett the person but primarily to see what life was like, especially for a young woman, in that extraordinary community in an exotic place.]

Being Here : Shaping a Preferred Future / Christine Loh
Hong Kong : SCMP Book Publishing Limited, c2006
384 p. : ill. ; 21 cm.
962-17-9136-7
\$ 24.00

[The Economist once described Christine Loh as perhaps the Hong Kong Legislative Council's 'most gifted' politician, and yet she chose not to stand for re-election in 2000 when she was considered a sure winner. She was an important figure with international stature among a new generation of Hong Kong politicians bridging the transition from British to Chinese rule. She championed a variety of important legislative initiatives –equal opportunity, access to information, open meetings, corruption prevention, and protection of Victoria Harbour. Since she left frontline politics, she created Civic Exchange, arguably Hong Kong's most prolific public policy think tank today.

Christine Loh records how she has become the person she is today in these pages. She examines the legacies from her Cantonese and Shanghainese families. She writes affectionately about family members—not only in terms of the roles they played in shaping her views and character, but also against the backdrop of Hong Kong and Chinese history. She acts with missionary zeal and represents a front-runner in promoting participatory politics.

Being here-Shaping a Preferred Future engages the reader to think, sets the record straight about a number of important public events, and reveals many surprises about the background of one of the city's best known public figures.]

The Development of Education in Hong Kong 1841-1897: As Revealed by the Early Education Reports Of the HK Government 1848-1896 / Gillian Bickley
Hong Kong : Chinese University Press, 2002
652p.; 26cm.
962-85570-1-7
\$ 30.00

[The Development of Education in Hong Kong, 1841-1897: As Revealed by the Early Education Reports Of the Hong Kong Government 1848-1896 publishes for the first time as a complete sequence the full main text of fifty Hong Kong Government Reports on Education, submitted mostly annually by successive Hong Kong Governors to the Colonial Office in London as part of the official record.

The Reports begin when the Government first granted public funds for Hong Kong schools, and the last in this sequence is dated April 1897, fourteen months before Britain's lease of the New Territories from Imperial China expanded and changed the responsibilities of the Education Department considerably and also laid the foundation for the return of the whole of Hong Kong to modern China at midnight, 30 June 1997.

Packed with unique material about schools, scholars, teachers, parents, educational policies and politics, the Reports (discussed and contextualised by ample notes) provide data, dialogue, vivid anecdotes, drama, emotion and ideals. Recognisably the basis of our present experience, with the same hot topics concerning language standards and the medium of instruction, these reports could beneficially inform both our thinking about the past and decisions about the future.

Some of the writing is highly personal, and the book appropriately includes brief select biographies of four of the writers, notable members of the Hong Kong community: George Smith, first Anglican missionary Bishop of Victoria (Hong Kong); James Legge, missionary, translator, and first Professor of Chinese at the University of Oxford, United Kingdom; Frederick Stewart – "Founder of Hong Kong Government Education" – first principal of the first Hong Kong Government Anglo-Chinese school (now Queen's College), first Head of the Government Education Department, and first Government Native English-Speaking Teacher in Hong Kong; and E. J. Eitel, German missionary, writer, lexicographer, journal editor and historian of Hong Kong.

Literature

Sweat and The City: Stories and poems from the Hong Kong workplace / Hong Kong Writer's Circle ; Foreword by Shirley Lim ; Introduction by Lawrence Gray
Hong Kong : Hong Kong Writers' Circle, c2006
225 p. ; 20 cm.
988-98366-2-3
\$ 22.00

[Sixteen Hong Kong writers bring you fifteen short stories and six poems on the theme of work. Together they paint a vivid and often hilarious picture of the engine that drives Hong Kong.

On these pages you'll meet the admin manager who can't remember where his office is, the locker-room attendant who takes her job for too personally, the young executives who can't find time for love, the auditor who succumbs to the temptations of the city, the tycoon's daughter with supernatural powers, the surveyor with

murder in mind, the hooker who tries to seduce a school teacher, the lawyer who only wants to play his guitar, and the investment banker forced to strip for a living. From white collar to blue collar, and to the hidden underclasses of prostitutes and scavengers, the city's workers all have one thing in common: they must sweat to survive.]

Imprint 2006 : the annual anthology of women in publishing society hong kong /
Edited by Jennifer Eagleton
Hong Kong : Women in Publishing Society, (WIPS), c2006
256 p. : ill. ; 21 cm.
988-98161-2-1
\$ 18.00

Official Publications

Annual Report on the Consumer Price Index 2005
Hong Kong : Census and Statistics, Consumer Price Index Section, 2005
iv, 85 p.; 30 cm.
\$ 18.00

Women and Men in Hong Kong-Key Statistics : 2006 Edition
Hong Kong : Census and Statistics Department, 2006
xxii, 149 p.; 30 cm.
\$ 18.00

Social data collected via the General Household Survey : Special Topics Report No.44
– Job-Changing of employed persons
Hong Kong : Census and Statistics Department, c2006
x, 61 p. ; 29 cm.
\$ 18.00

2004/05 Household Expenditure Survey and the Rebasing of the Consumer Price
Indices
Hong Kong : Census and Statistics Department, 2006
viii. 116 p. : ill. ; 30 cm.
\$ 18.00

Hong Kong Energy Statistics-2005 Annual Report
Hong Kong : Census and Statistics Department, 2005
38 p. : ill. ; 30 cm.
\$ 15.00

HONG KONG 2005
Hong Kong : Government of Hong Kong, 2006
ISBN-13: 978-962-02-0358-9
ISBN-10: 962-02-0358-5
\$ 29.50

This book summarized on Hong Kong 2005 issues including Constitution and Administration, legal system, economy, financial and monetary affairs, commerce

and industry, employment, education, health, social welfare, housing, transporting, environment, public order, religion and custom, history etc.

Politics

The Dignity of Nations : Equality, Competition, and Honor in East Asian Nationalism / Edited by Y.S. Chien and John Fitzgerald
Hong Kong : Hong Kong University Press, c2006
x, 258 p. ; 24 cm.
Includes Index
Asian Studies / History / Political Science Series
962-209-795-2
\$ 38.00

[Contributors to this book argue that everyday struggles for dignity and equality in the states of East Asia provide much of the impetus driving East Asian nationalism. They examine China, Japan, Korea, and Taiwan, which occupy one of the most volatile regions in the world today. Each of them harbors an historical grievance dating back half a century or more which limits its full or effective sovereignty. China seeks to recover Taiwan; Taiwan presses for de jure recognition of its de facto autonomy. Neither of the two Koreas is satisfied to remain separated from the other indefinitely, and Japan is divided over constitutional limits on the Sovereign right to wage war. Each of these historical grievances is structured into the politics of the region and into its international relations. They are also embedded in popular memories that periodically spark pride, shame, and resentment-whether over a rocky outcrop, a history textbook, or an alleged US intervention on a sensitive issue of national sovereignty. Everyday struggles for dignity and equality, the contributors argue, should not be overlooked in any search for explanations of nationalist pride and resentment.]

Functional Constituencies : A Unique Feature of the Hong Kong Legislative Council- Includes a CD-Rom / Edited by Christine Loh and Civic Exchange
Hong Kong : Hong Kong University Press, c2006
xxii, 390 p. : ill. ; 26 cm.
962-209-790-1
\$ 38.00

[Functional Constituencies : A Unique Feature of the Hong Kong Legislative Council provides detailed information on: the relevant law of functional constituencies, their place in the Basic Law and with respect to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, their history, a full list of functional constituencies and the size and make-up of their electorates including how certain major companies may control large numbers of votes. Another chapter reports on a pioneering study which polled individual functional constituency voters to build up the first comprehensive picture of such electors. Then the impacts of the functional constituency members on social policy-making and on economic policy are examined, and deleterious effects on economic efficiency of its entrenchment of vested interests argued. An enclosed CD provides a rich resource of additional data on the functional constituencies. In a concluding chapter, Christine Loh explores the constraints for reform of Legco, the various reform proposals that have been made and suggests how the democratic legitimacy of the Hong Kong system could be enhanced within the current constraints.]

The Rise of Hong Kong Politics : The view through political cartoons 1984-2005 /
Carine Lai Man-yin ; Translated by Alison Tsang Man-yin
Hong Kong : Civic Exchange, c2006
365 p. : ill. ; 19 cm.
Includes Bibliography
988-98192-2-8
\$ 35.00

[Over the last two decades, political cartoons have gone from being an uncommon to a ubiquitous artform in Hong Kong. What do political cartoons tell us about the political consciousness of Hong Kong people? Spanning from the signing of the Sino-British Joint Declaration to the end of Tung Chee Hwa's administration under the new Special Administrative Region, this book explores how the rise of political cartoons paralleled the emergence of a purely local brand of politics.]

Religion

Interpretations of Hope in Chinese Religions & Christianity / Edited by Daniel L. Overmyer and Chi-Tim Lai
Hong Kong : Christian Study Centre on Chinese Religion and Culture, c2002
xiv, 290 p. ; 21 cm.
962-7706-04-3
\$ 29.50

[Hope represents a universal quest of the human race. It is a concern for and speculation of one's own future. The emergence of any form of religions was closely related to that human quest. The book is the fruit of an outstanding group of Asian and Western scholars studies on the notion of "hope" in Chinese Religions, namely Confucianism, Taoism and Buddhism, as well as in Christianity. It aims at setting a platform for the dialogue between Chinese and Western Religions, and widening the reader's horizon to understand the human quest of hope from different historical, and cultural perspectives.]

Sociology

Reading Chinese Transnationalisms : Society, Literature, Film / Edited by Maria N. Nag and Philip Holden
Hong Kong : Hong Kong University Press, c2006
x, 238 p. ; 23 cm.
Includes Bibliography and Index
962-209-796-0 (HB)
962-209-797-9 (PB)
\$ 24.50(PB)

[Reading Chinese Transnationalisms responds to the growing interest in transnational cultural studies by examining Chinese Transnationalism from a variety of perspectives. In interrogating social practices and literary and filmic texts which frequently cross national borders in imagining Chineseness, the contributors to this

volume also challenge received notions of Chinese transnationalism, opening up new perspectives on the topic.

The structure of the book is clearly subdivided into sections on society, literature and films for quick reference, and each essay is written in accessible language without sacrificing intellectual rigor and critical relevance. The international list of contributors and the wide-ranging subjects they address make Reading Chinese Transnationalisms a unique work in its field.

This volume will appeal to all with an interest in Chinese Transnationalism, and in particular those who come from a variety of disciplinary backgrounds in the humanities and social science.]

Hong Kong Health System : Reflections, Perspectives and Visions / Edited by Gabriel M. Leung and John Bacon-Shone

Hong Kong : Hong Kong University Press, c2006

xx, 548 p. : ill. ; 24 cm.

Includes Bibliography and Index

A Project of the Medical and Health Research Network, The University of Hong Kong Health Policy / Medicine Series

962-209-804-5

\$ 50.00

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School Knowledge in Comparative and Historical Perspective : Changing Curricula in Primary and Secondary Education / Edited by Aaron Benavot and Cecilia Braslavsky
Hong Kong : Comparative Education Research Centre, The University of Hong Kong, c2006

xviii, 315 p. : ill. ; 24 cm.

Includes Bibliography and Index

CERC studies in Comparative Education 18

962-8093-52-5

\$ 25.00

[School curricula are established not only to young people for a real world, but also to beckon an imagined one anchored in individual rights and collective progress. Both worlds-the real and the imagined-increasingly reflect influential trans-national forces.

In this special edited volume, scholars with diverse backgrounds and conceptual frameworks explore how economic, political, social and ideological forces impact on

school curricula over time and place. In providing regional and global perspectives on circular policies, practices and reforms, the authors move beyond the conventional notion that school contents reflect principally national priorities and subject-based interests. Some authors emphasize a convergence to standardized global curricular structures and discourses. Others suggest that changes regarding the intended contents of primary and secondary school curricula reveal regional or trans-cultural influences. Overall, these comparative and historical studies demonstrate that the dynamics of curriculum-making and curriculum reform are increasingly forged within wider regional, cross-regional and global contexts.]

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