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### Anthropology

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Hong Kong: Hong Kong Museum of History, 2011  
275p. ; 31cm.  
ISBN-13: 9789627039693  
Bilingual English & Chinese language  
\$ 45.00 / PB  
1530 gm.  
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### Architecture

Architecture Without Adjectives / Barrie Ho  
Hong Kong: Edge Media Limited, 2011  
143p. ; 21 x 30cm.  
ISBN-13: 9789889841577  
\$ 35.00/ PB  
812 gm.  
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Building the Dragon City: History of the Faculty of Architecture at the University of Hong Kong / Faculty of Architecture, HKU  
Hong Kong : Hong Kong University Press, 2012  
204p.  
41 color & 37 b/w Illus.  
ISBN 9789888083626  
\$ 50.00 / HB  
1226gm.

This book celebrates 60 years of the founding of the Faculty of Architecture at HKU. The Faculty has grown over the years from a single Department to a multi-disciplinary Faculty including: Architecture; Landscape Architecture; Urban Planning and Design; Housing Management; Real Estate and Construction; and Architectural Conservation.

The development of the Faculty has paralleled the vibrant growth of Hong Kong, especially following World War II when it became clear that a new generation of first-rate architects and other building professionals were needed if Hong Kong was to adequately house its burgeoning population and develop into a world-class city. Hong Kong's role as a global city

has been fulfilled, and HKU Architecture graduates can take pride in having contributed significantly to the city's dazzling skyline.

The history of the Faculty, *Building the Dragon City: History of the Faculty of Architecture at The University of Hong Kong*, makes it clear that the basic issues surrounding the education of building professionals have been vigorously debated for the last six decades and this has been reflected in the development of the Faculty.

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### **Economics/Development Studies**

*China Versus the West : The Global Power Shift of the 21<sup>st</sup> Century* / Ivan Tselichtchev  
Singapore: John Wiley & Sons Pte. Ltd., 2012

xxviii. 227p. ; 24cm.

ISBN-13: 9780470829721

\$ 40.00 / HB

482 gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=141820>

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*American Wheels Chinese Roads : The Story of General Motors in China* / Michael J. Dunne  
Singapore: John Wiley & Sons (Asia) Pte. Ltd., 2011

x. 227p. ; 24cm.

ISBN-13: 9780470828618

\$ 50.00/ HB

466 gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=141821>

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*The Challenges and Opportunities Facing the Hong Kong Logistics Industry* / Anthony Lau, John Adams, Jeff Yeung & Min Zhang

Hong Kong: Literate Publication Ltd., 2012

xiii. 213p. ; 24cm.

ISBN-13: 9789881564115

\$ 44.00 / HB

470 gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=141822>

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### **History**

*Road to China's 1911 Revolution*

Hong Kong: Hong Kong Museum of History, 2011

176p. ; 30cm.

ISBN-13: 9789627039686

\$ 40.00 / PB

1140 gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=141823>

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Hong Kong Currency  
Hong Kong: Hong Kong Museum of History, 2012  
308p. ; 30cm.  
ISBN-13: 9789627039709  
Bilingual English & Chinese language  
\$ 45.00 / PB  
1660 gm.  
<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=141824>

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The Birth of the First Republic in Asia : As Seen from the U.S. Diplomatic Documents / Judy S. Lu  
Hong Kong: The Commercial Press (H.K.) Ltd., 2012  
321p. ; 22cm.  
ISBN-13: 9789620756009  
\$ 29.50 / PB  
510 gm.  
<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=141807>

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The Hong Kong Region 1850 – 1911 : Institutions and Leadership in Town and Countryside / James Hayes  
Aberdeen, Hong Kong: Hong Kong University Press, 2012  
xxxii. 289p. ; 22cm.  
ISBN-13: 9789888139118  
ECHOES : Classics of Hong Kong Culture and History  
\$ 25.00 / PB  
424 gm.

In this classic study (1977), James Hayes examines local leadership in six villages and townships in Hong Kong's rural New Territories during the late Qing. Drawing on a wealth of documentary sources and on fieldwork carried out while serving as a district officer, Hayes makes a powerful argument for the part played by ordinary men — peasants and shopkeepers — in running their own communities almost without interference from either the gentry or state officials. This new edition has a substantial new introduction by the author which reviews the research in the light of later scholarly studies

First published in 1977, The Hong Kong Region is a historical reconstruction of village and township society in Hong Kong's New Territories between 1850 and 1911. In a detailed study drawing on documentary sources and intensive fieldwork, James Hayes argues for the part taken by ordinary peasants and shopkeepers in running their own communities. It was they who dealt virtually unaided with routine administration of local affairs and with every form of disaster, natural or man-made, that visited their communities. The gentry and imperial bureaucracy, in contrast, played almost no role.

In a substantial new introduction written for this Echoes reprint, James Hayes reviews the research behind The Hong Kong Region and assesses its wider implications for our understanding of traditional Chinese society in the light of later scholarly studies.  
<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=141825>

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From Milan to Hong Kong : 150 Years of Mission : Pontifical Institute for Foreign Missions  
1858 - 2008 / Gianni Criveller

Hong Kong: PIME House & VOX AMICA PRESS, 2008

200p. ; 30cm.

ISBN-13: 9789889965662

\$ 40.00 / PB

768 gm.

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Anna May Wong: From Laundryman's Daughter to Hollywood Legend / Graham Russell Gao  
Hodges

Hong Kong : Hong Kong University Press, 2012

316p.; 33 b/w Illus.; 23cm.

9789888139637

\$ 25.00 / PB

483gm.

Anna May Wong was the best known Chinese American actress during Hollywood's golden age, a free spirit and embodiment of the flapper era much like Louise Brooks. She starred in over fifty movies between 1919 and 1960, sharing the screen with such luminaries as Douglas Fairbanks Sr. and Marlene Dietrich.

Born in Los Angeles in 1905, Wong was the second daughter of six children born to a laundryman and his wife. Obsessed with film at a young age, she managed to secure a small part in a 1919 drama about the Boxer Rebellion. Her most famous film roles were in *The Thief of Baghdad*, *Old San Francisco*, and *Shanghai Express* opposite Dietrich. Despite these successes, instances of overt racism plagued Wong's career. When it came time to make a film version of Pearl Buck's *The Good Earth*, she was passed over for the German actress, Luise Rainer. In a narrative that recalls both the gritty life in Los Angeles' working-class Chinese neighborhoods and the glamor of Hollywood at its peak, Graham Hodges recounts the life of this elegant, beautiful, and underappreciated screen legend.

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Governors, Politics and the Colonial Office: Public Policy in Hong Kong, 1918-58 /  
Gavin Ure

Hong Kong : Hong Kong University Press, 2012

312p.; 23cm.

ISBN 9789888083947

Royal Asiatic Society Hong Kong Studies Series

\$ 50.00/ HB

593gm.

This book explores the making of public policy for Hong Kong between 1918 and 1958. During much of this period, the Hong Kong government had limited policymaking capabilities. Many new policies followed initiatives either from the Colonial Office or from politicians in Hong Kong. This book examines the balance of political power influencing how such decisions were reached and who wielded the most influence—the Hong Kong or British governments or the politicians. Gradually, the Hong Kong government, through implementing new policies, improved its own policy-making capabilities and gained the ability to exercise greater autonomy.

The policy areas covered by this book include the implementation of rent controls in 1922, the management of Hong Kong's currency from 1929 to 1936, the resolution of the financial

dispute over matters arising from World War II, the origins of Hong Kong's public housing and permanent squatter resettlement policies, negotiations over Hong Kong's contribution to its defence costs and the background to the granting of formal financial autonomy in 1958.

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Americans and Macao: Trade, Smuggling and Diplomacy on the South China Coast / Edited by Paul A. Van Dyke

Hong Kong : Hong Kong University Press, 2012

264p. 1 b/w Illus. ; 23cm.

ISBN 9789888083923

\$ 50.00 / HB

529gm.

The theme of this volume is the American relationship with Macao and its region through trade, politics, and culture, and the focus is mainly on the late eighteenth and nineteenth centuries. The essays address topics such as the role of the China trade in US pacific expansion and exploration, US consuls, smuggling networks, American women's perceptions of China, and missionary and educational work. In all of the encounters, Macao emerges as a central player, adding a new dimension to our understanding of Sino-American relations.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=141830>

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Breaking Through : The Birth of China's Opening-up Policy / Li Lanqing

Hong Kong: Oxford University Press, Foreign Language Teaching & Research Press, 2012

xviii. 453p. ; 24cm.

Includes index

ISBN-13: 9780198016922

1. China – History – 1976-
2. China – Economic history – 20<sup>th</sup> century
3. China – Economic policy – 1976-
4. China – Politics and government
5. Political leadership – China
6. China – Reform and Opening Policy

\$ 50.00 / HB

1170 gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=141831>

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Master of None : How A Hong Kong High-Flyer Overcame the Devastating Experience of Imprisonment / John Hung

Central, Hong Kong: Blacksmith Books, 2011

309p. ; 22cm.

ISBN-13: 9789881900272

\$ 39.50/ HB

536 gm.

From Stanley Prison, corporate high-flyer John T. Hung recounts his life in a sweep of Hong Kong history over five generations – from his family roots in the 19<sup>th</sup> century through World War II to the present.

The story tracks the richness of his mixed heritage and upbringing, his steady rise and precipitous fall from the pinnacles of corporate Hong Kong to the life-destroying court case and heartbreaking incarceration.

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## Literature

A Tale of Two Coquettish Women of "The Robin-Hoodish Legend of Water Margin" / Wong Sik-hau

Hong Kong: Red Publish, 2011

vii. 445p. ; 21cm.

ISBN-13: 9789888122196

\$ 33.60/ HB

672 gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=141834>

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Death Has a Thousand Doors / Patricia W. Grey

Hong Kong: Proverse Hong Kong, 2011

320p. ; 21cm.

ISBN-13: 9789881993267

1. Australian – Andorra – Fiction
2. Photojournalists – Andorra – Fiction
3. Fathers and daughters – Fiction
4. Missing persons – Investigation – Andorra – Fiction
5. Andorra – Social conditions – 20<sup>th</sup> century – Fiction
6. Detective and mystery stories

\$ 32.00 / PB

410 gm.

Proverse Prize Finalist 2010

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Astra and Sebastian : An Epic Love Story / L. W. Illsley

Hong Kong: Proverse Hong Kong, 2011

176p. ; 21cm.

ISBN-13: 9789881993243

1. Epic poetry, English

\$ 26.00 / PB

230 gm.

Proverse Prize Finalist 2010

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Home, Away, Elsewhere / Vaughan Rapatahana

Hong Kong: Proverse Hong Kong, 2011

208p. ; 21cm.

ISBN-13: 9789881993229

1. Hong Kong (China) – Poetry
2. Rapatahana, Vaughan – Homes and haunts – Poetry
3. Emotions – Poetry

\$ 25.00/ PB

274 gm.

Semi-finalist, inaugural Proverse Prize, 2009

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=141839>

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Smoked Pearl : Poems of Hong Kong and Beyond / Akin Jeje  
Hong Kong: Proverse Hong Kong, 2011  
xiii. 135p. ; 21cm.

ISBN-13: 9789881932112

1. Hong Kong (China) – Poetry
2. Africa – Poetry
3. Canada - Poetry

\$ 18.00/ PB

186 gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=141840>

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The Truth About Lying : A Play / Wong Wing-sze

Second Edition

Hong Kong: Hong Kong Arts Festival Society Limited, 2010

233p. ; 19cm.

ISBN-13: 9789881817600

\$ 24.00 / PB

202 gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=141842>

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Journey to Home : A Play / Santayana Li

Hong Kong: Hong Kong Arts Festival Society Limited, 2012

149p. ; 19cm.

ISBN-13: 9789881817686

\$ 20.00 / PB

136 gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=141844>

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Show Flat : A Play / Poon Wai-sum, Paul

Hong Kong: Hong Kong Arts Festival Society Limited, 2012

259p. ; 19cm.

ISBN-13: 9789881605610

\$ 24.00 / PB

228 gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=141845>

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Chocolate's Brown Study in the Bag / Rupert Chan

Hong Kong: Proverse Hong Kong, 2011

xvi. 112p. ; 21cm.

ISBN-13: 9789881993212

1. Toy poodle – China – Hong Kong – Fiction
2. Dog owners – China – Hong Kong – Fiction
3. Autobiographical fiction

\$ 20.00 / PB

194 gm.

Finalist for the inaugural Proverse Prize

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=141846>

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A Misted Mirror / Gillian Jones  
Hong Kong: Proverse Hong Kong, 2011  
vii. 184p. ; 21cm.

ISBN-13: 9789881993236

1. Parkinson's disease – Patients – Care – Fiction
2. Dementia – Patients – Care – Fiction
3. Parkinson's disease – Patients – Family relationships – Fiction
4. Dementia – Patients – Family relationships – Fiction
5. Poets – Fiction
6. Authors' spouses – Fiction

\$ 29.50 / PB  
242 gm.

Proverse Prize Joint-Winner 2010

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=141848>

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The Magician of 1919 / Li Er  
Hong Kong: Make-Do Publishing, 2011  
vii. 115p. ; 22cm.

ISBN-13: 9789881841964

1. Short stories

\$ 20.00/ PB  
168 gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=141850>

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The Rocks / Wong Sik-hau  
Wan Chai, Hong Kong: Red Publish, 2011  
546p. ; 22cm.

ISBN-13: 9789888122202

\$ 34.50/ HB  
792 gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=141852>

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Imprint 11 : The Annual Anthology of the Women in Publishing Society Hong Kong / Carol Dyer

Hong Kong: Women in Publishing Society Hong Kong (WiPS), 2012

ix. 238p. ; 21cm.

\$ 19.50 / PB  
354 gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=141853>

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Chinese Poetry of Tang and Song Dynasties : A New Translation / Translated by C.K. Ho  
Hong Kong: The Commercial Press (H.K.) Ltd., 2012

xv. 200p. ; 21cm.

ISBN-13: 9789620703218

\$ 29.50 / PB  
364 gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=141854>

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## Politics

Repositioning the Hong Kong Government : Social Foundations and Political Challenges / Stephen Wing-kai Chiu and Siu-lun Wong (Editors)

Aberdeen, Hong Kong: Hong Kong University Press, 2012

xiii. 266p. ; 23cm.

ISBN-13: 9789888083503

Hong Kong Culture and Society

\$ 25.00 / PB

412 gm.

The relationship between government and society in Hong Kong has become an intensely debated topic as the complexities of governance grow and the old strategies of consensus building without genuine public participation fail to satisfy. Lacking democratic credentials, the Hong Kong SAR government finds itself more and more limited in its capacity to implement policies and less able to rely on traditional allies. A society dissatisfied with old forms of governance has become ever more ready to mobilize itself outside of the formal political structures.

This collection by leading scholars examines the Hong Kong government's efforts to reposition itself in the economy and society under the pressures of globalization, economic and political restructuring and the rise of civil society. Drawing on changing theoretical conceptions of state, market and citizenship, *Repositioning the Hong Kong Government* offers new interpretations of the problems of governance in Hong Kong and puts forward positive suggestions for resolving them.

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Reshaping the Post-crisis World Order : World Youth Leaders Forum 2011 / Yeung Yue-man, Freedom Y.K. Leung & Patrick P.C. Choi (Editors)

Kowloon: Infolink Publishing Limited, 2012

175p. ; 26cm.

ISBN-13: 9789881540973

\$ 18.00 / PB

454 gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=141856>

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On Equal Terms : Redefining China's Relationship with America and the West / Zheng Mingxun

Singapore: John Wiley & Sons (Asia)Pte. Ltd., 2011

xi. 200p. ; 24cm.

ISBN-13: 9780470828861

\$ 50.00/ HB

436 gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=141858>

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## **Sociology**

Factory Towns of South China : An Illustrated Guidebook / Stefan Al (Editor)

Aberdeen, Hong Kong: Hong Kong University Press, 2012

xii. 202p. ; 23cm.

ISBN-13: 97898888083695

Bilingual English & Chinese

\$ 25.00 / PB

432 gm.

Most consumer products come primarily from the Pearl River Delta, the "factory of the world" with the largest industrial region on earth. The delta has attracted millions of poor rural residents to settle in factory towns in hopes for a better life. Factory Towns of South China opens a window on these walled compounds, exposing the gritty establishments, crowded dormitories and monotonous labor carried out by workers. Some function as self-contained cities, with their own fire brigade, hospital, bank, TV station and as many as half a million workers living within the compounds. Other factories are scattered in larger villages to mask their existence and evade governmental crackdowns on the production of fake consumer goods and illegal casino machines.

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