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Imprints of Kinship: Studies of Recently Discovered Bronze Inscriptions from Ancient China / Edited by Edward L. Shaughnessy

The Chinese University Press, Hong Kong 2017

366p.; 23cm.

9789629966393

\$ 45.00 / HB

Recent discoveries of bronze ritual vessels from ancient China provide the ground for this collection of essays, which focus in particular on the nature and patterns of family lineages as seen from these artifacts found in tombs throughout north China. Based on careful readings of the inscriptions on the bronze vessels, the editor and his eight contributors reconstruct the genealogies, kinship structures, political identities, and relationship networks of leading families and individuals from Bronze-Age China.

The rich scholarship also contributes to our understanding of the archaeology, chronology, warfare, and legal structures of ancient China.

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Piecing Together Sha Po: Archaeological Investigations and Landscape Reconstruction / Mick Atha & Kennis Yip

Hong Kong University Press, Hongkong 2016

xviii, 262p.

9789888208982

\$ 60.00 / HB

858 gm.

Piecing Together Sha Po presents the first sustained analysis, framed in terms of a multi-period social landscape, of the varieties of human activity in Sha Po spanning more than 6,000 years. Synthesising decades of earlier fieldwork together with Atha and Yip's own extensive excavations conducted in 2008–2010, the discoveries collectively enabled the authors to reconstruct the society in Sha Po in different historical periods.

The artefacts unearthed from the site—some of them unique to the region—reveal a vibrant past which saw the inhabitants of Sha Po interacting with the environment in diverse ways. Evidence showing the mastery of quartz ornament manufacture and metallurgy in the Bronze Age suggests increasing craft specialisation and the rise of a more complex, competitive society. Later on, during the Six Dynasties–Tang period, Sha Po turned into a centre in the region's imperially controlled kiln-based salt industry. Closer to our time, in the nineteenth century the farming and fishing communities in Sha Po became important suppliers of food and fuel to urban Hong Kong. Ultimately, this ground-breaking work tells a compelling story about human beings' ceaseless reinvention of their lives through the lens of one special archaeological site.

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Xinjiapo Hua wen ming ke hui bian 1819-1911 / Ding Hesheng, Xu Yuantai = Chinese epigraphy in Singapore 1819-1911 / Kenneth Dean, Hue Guan Thye

NUS press, Singapore 2017

1456 pages, 210mm x 297mm  
2 volumes  
1300 Ill.  
9789971698713  
\$ 195.00 / HB  
5350 gm.

The history of Singapore's Chinese community is carved in stone and wood: in the epigraphic record of 62 Chinese temples, native place associations, clan and guild halls, from 1819 to 1911. These materials include temple plaques, couplets, stone inscriptions, stone and bronze censers, and other inscribed objects found in these institutions. They prove first-hand historical information on the aspirations and contributions of the early generation of Chinese settlers in Singapore. Early inscriptions reveal the centrality of these institutions to Chinese life in Singapore, while later inscriptions show the many ways that these institutions have evolved over the years. Many have become deeply engaged in social welfare projects, while others have also become centers of transnational networks. These materials, available in Chinese and in English translation, open a window into the world of Chinese communities in Singapore. These cultural artifacts can also be appreciated for their exceptional artistic value. They are a central part of the heritage of Singapore

"There is no doubt that this new collection of epigraphic material constitutes a repository of Singapore cultural and historical heritage, and will become an indispensable tool for all the scholars interested in that country." Claudine Salmon, Director of Research Emeritus at the French National Centre for Scientific Research (CNRS), Paris

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Excavations at The Protohistoric Graveyards of Gogdara and Udegram : Act-Field School Project Reports and Memoirs, Volume III – Excavations and Conservation Activities in SWAT District (2011-2013) Khyber-Pakhtunkhwa – Pakistan.2 / Massimo Vidale, Roberto Michelli & Luca M. Olivieri

Sang-e-Meel Publications, Pakistan 2016

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9693529820 ; 9789693529821

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Kota Batu : Kompilasi Rencana Penyelidikan Arkeologi / Pengiran Dr. Karim bin Pengiran Haji Osman

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ISEAS Publishing, Singapore 2017

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— Ajaya K. Sahoo, Editor, Journal of South Asian Diaspora

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xiv, 506p.

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The Ancient History of U Thong : City of Gold : A Scientific Study of the Gold From U Thong / Anna Bennet (Eds) Ian Glover & Peter Skilling  
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