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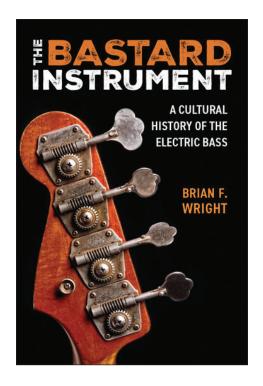
# The Bastard Instrument

# A Cultural History of the Electric Bass Brian F. Wright

# An alternative history of popular music that centers the electric bass

The Bastard Instrument chronicles the history of the electric bass and the musicians who played it, from the instrument's invention through its widespread acceptance at the end of the 1960s. Although their contributions have often gone unsung, electric bassists helped shape the sound of a wide range of genres, including jazz, rhythm & blues, rock, country, soul, funk, and more. Their innovations are preserved in performances from artists as diverse as Lionel Hampton, Liberace, Elvis Presley, Patsy Cline, the Supremes, the Beatles, James Brown, Bob Dylan, Aretha Franklin, Jefferson Airplane, and Sly and the Family Stone, all of whom are discussed in this volume. At long last, *The Bastard Instrument* gives these early electric bassists credit for the significance of their accomplishments and demonstrates how they fundamentally altered the trajectory of popular music.

**Brian F. Wright** is Assistant Professor of Music History at the University of North Texas as well as a bass player. His work has been featured in *Vintage Guitar* and *Bass Player* magazines and at the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame.



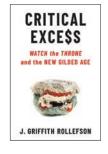
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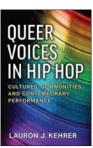
—Ed Friedland, bassist and former writer for Bass Player magazine

"The Bastard Instrument is a fascinating history of the bass guitar and how its sound became indispensable to popular music in all forms. Especially relevant to me is its inclusion of women players and the important role we played in the instrument's history."

—Kathy Valentine, musician and bassist for the Go-Go's

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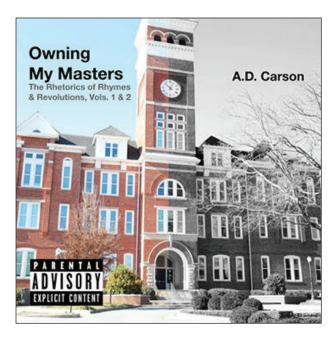




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# **Owning My Masters (Mastered)**

The Rhetorics of Rhymes & Revolutions
A.D. Carson

# Using hip hop to create new theory

Owning My Masters (Mastered) is a digital archive of original rap music and spoken word poetry containing two volumes of music, an annotated timeline, videos, and a digital book. In this project, A.D. Carson exposes the artificial boundaries imposed on understood ideas about knowledge production in academia by employing hip-hop creative and compositional practices to interrogate ideas of citizenship, history, historical imagination, race, home, and humanness. Using sampled and live instrumentation and repurposed music, film, and news clips, an introductory video, and original rap lyrics, he offers a new examination of how to create theory through hip-hop.

The unmastered album was originally submitted to Clemson University in South Carolina as the author's dissertation, composed against the backdrop of the growing unrest across the U.S. and the world in response to the public attention to the deaths of Black people, many at the hands of police and vigilantes. As such, the songs highlight outlooks on Black life in America—on campuses and in communities across the country—and how they fit with geographic and temporal place and space. For this publication, the tracks have been mastered, and Carson has written a new introduction to contextualize and reflect on the moment in which the songs were written.

**A.D. Carson** is Associate Professor of Hip Hop and the Global South at the University of Virginia. His mixtape/e/ssay, "i used to love to dream" won the Association of American Publishers (AAP) 2021 PROSE Award for Best E-Product.

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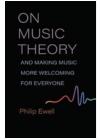
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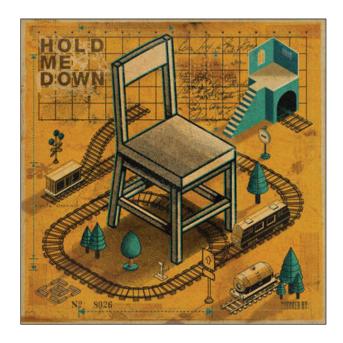
# Ben Lauren

# How the concept of feel is used to write songs

Through his album *Hold Me Down: Toward a Rhetoric of Feel* and the liner notes that accompany it, Ben Lauren argues that rhetorical theory can help both formally and informally trained musicians compose songs. This rhetorical theory helps him to anchor his own composing strategy of relying on feel. Feel, as Lauren explains it, is where an artist reflects on their reaction to a song's melody, lyrics, and dynamics. Relying on feel as a creative-critical method of composing requires songwriters to develop habits that allow them to attend to its emergence in their writing process.

To illustrate these ideas, Lauren shares his album *Hold Me Down*, which he wrote to process a traumatic experience from when he was a child. The album consists of 10 music tracks, 8 recorded conversations with the artists he collaborated with, and extensive liner notes that depict the collision of identities that make up personal and professional lives. By drawing on his experience as a singer and songwriter and his scholarly training, Lauren develops a rhetorical language for thinking about music that puts the abstract concept of feel in concrete form.

**Ben Lauren** is Associate Professor and Chair of the Department of Writing Studies and Director of the Co-Major in Innovation and Society at the University of Miami. His scholarly work focuses on the intersection of writing and design; rhetorical theory; and organizational, institutional, and community change. He is also a songwriter, best known for his work as singer/songwriter with the band No Address.



"Lauren evokes the affective experience of listening to and engaging with a musical album, opening new doors of inquiry for scholarly engagement and allowing for the exploration of difficult and emotionally heavy topics like childhood abuse and its attendant memories, anger, disappointment, and healing."

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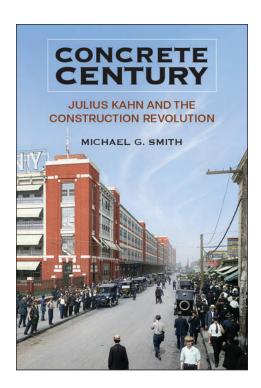


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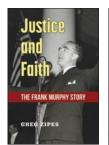
# The tale of concrete cities

At the turn of the 20th century, industrial manufacturing was expanding dramatically while factory buildings remained fire-prone relics of an earlier age. That is, until a 28-year-old civil engineer finally achieved what engineers around the world had unsuccessfully attempted. Working in his brother's basement in Detroit, Julius Kahn invented the first practical and scientific method of reinforcing concrete with steel bars, which finally made it possible to construct strong, fireproof buildings. After Kahn founded a company in 1903 to manufacture and sell his reinforcement bars, his system of construction became the most widely used throughout the world.

Drawing upon Kahn's personal correspondence, architectural drawings, company records, and contemporary news and journal articles, Michael G. Smith reveals how this man—whose family had immigrated to the US to escape antisemitism in Germany—played an important role in the rise of concrete. Concrete not only turned the tide against widespread destruction of buildings by fire, it also paved the way for our modern economy. *Concrete Century* will delight readers intrigued by architecture and construction technology alike with the true origin story of modern concrete buildings.

**Michael G. Smith** is an architectural historian and the author of *Designing Detroit: Wirt Rowland and the Rise of Modern American Architecture* (Wayne State University Press, 2017).

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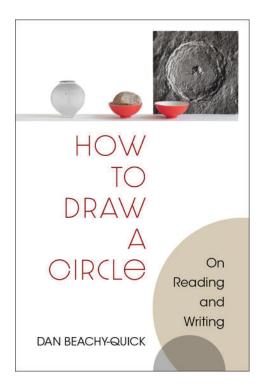
# On Reading and Writing

# Dan Beachy-Quick

# An examination of what binds poetic endeavor into a singular, shining whole

What is it to write a poem? What work do words do when placed with care and vision into the intensely charged space of poetic effort? How to Draw a Circle does not seek to answer those questions, but to encounter them as fully and honestly as one can. The thread running through the essays is an ongoing investigation into poetry as an epistemological experiment, one which binds the imagination to the worldly, and trusts that creative endeavor is a form of participation in the ongoing creation of the world. It does so in part by focusing on thinkers, poets, writers, and literary movements where such thinking for a while prevailed, from Socrates to Melville, Mythology to Romanticism. Here the poem is approached as something deeply rooted in human consciousness, done so not to make an atavistic claim about poetry's history, but to show the ways in which oldest tradition gives us ever-new eyes. The hope this book gathers around is that poetry—poetic expression, the wild wonder of working in words turns us back toward the world in more vibrant, more open, more ethical ways. How to Draw a Circle summons lyric powers—not an argument, but a participation in the ways poetry works in us and on us.

**Dan Beachy-Quick** is University Distinguished Teaching Scholar at Colorado State University. His books of poetry include, *Circle's Apprentice* (2011, Winner of the Colorado Book Award in Poetry), *gentlessness* (2015), *Variations on Dawn and Dusk* (2019, long-listed for the National Book Award in Poetry) and *Arrows* (2020). In 2016 he was named a Guggenheim Fellow in Poetry.

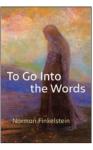


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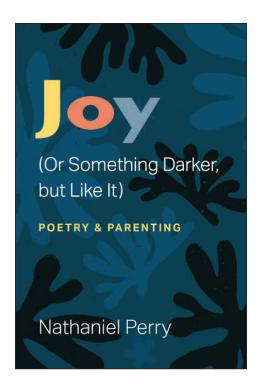
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# **Poetry & Parenting**

# **Nathaniel Perry**

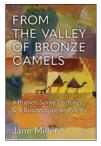
# Thinking about parenting through the lens of poetry

Joy (Or Something Darker, but Like It), the first book of nonfiction by poet Nathaniel Perry, is a group of essays that considers poetry in the context of parenting—what poems and poets might teach us about parenting, what parenting might teach us about poetry, and also, what either of those things might have to teach us about simply being a relatively successful human being. While other poets have written about parenthood, few books consider how parenthood and poetry themselves intersect. The essays are affable and never technical, but take seriously the idea that thinking about poems might help us all think about our other roles in life, as parents, lovers, citizens, and friends. The book, in the end, imagines that this kind of insight is maybe one of the things most useful about poetry. It isn't, or at least doesn't have to be, always about itself; it can instead, surprisingly and wonderfully, be about us.

Each of the twelve essays considers a different poet—Edward Thomas, Henry W. Longfellow, George Scarbrough, Elizabeth Bishop, Geoffrey Hill, Primus St. John, Robert Hayden, Elizabeth Coatsworth, Gwendolyn Brooks, Robert Frost, E.A. Robinson, and Belle Randall—and, alongside them, different concerns of parenting and living. Organized in chronological order, they track the growth of Nathaniel Perry's own children who pop up from time to time in a believable way. Essays consider the idea of devotion and belief, the idea of imperfection, the small details we can focus on as parents, and the conceptions of the world we pass along to our children. Together these essays not only represent the author's personal canon of poets who have been important to him in his life and work, but also present a diverse slice of American poetry, in voice, form, identity, origin, and time period.

**Nathaniel Perry** is the author of two books of poetry, *Nine Acres* and *Long Rules: An Essay in Verse*. He is Professor of English at Hampden-Sydney College.

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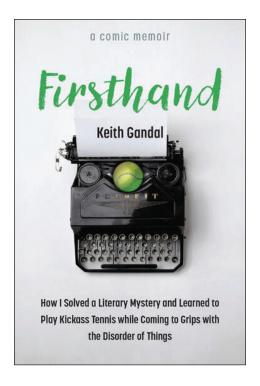
# **Keith Gandal**

# On writing, researching, and tennis

Firsthand is an exploration—both suspenseful and comic—of the creative process in research writing. The book takes the reader through the ins and outs of a specific research journey, from combing through libraries and archives to the intellectual challenges involved with processing information that contradicts established ideas. More fundamentally, it addresses the somewhat mysterious portion of the intellectual process: the creative and serendipitous aspects involved in arriving at a fruitful research question in the first place.

Keith Gandal combines this scholarly detective story with a comic personal narrative about how a midlife crisis accidentally sent him on a journey to write a research monograph that many in his profession—including at times himself—were dubious about. While researching how Hemingway, Fitzgerald, and Faulkner faced their forgotten crises of masculinity, Gandal discovers that his own crisis is instrumental to his creative process. Incorporating stories from Gandal's comic romp through the hypercompetitive world of middle-aged men's tennis, adopting pitbulls, and discussing Michel Foucault, *Firsthand* gives readers an inside look at how to acquire accurate knowledge—about the world, about history, and about oneself.

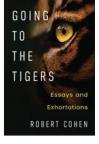
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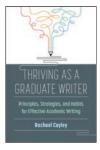


"Gandal vividly captures the emotions he experienced during a difficult research and writing project. An excellent read full of humor and intellectual and emotional depth. Anyone who is a writer or a want-to-be writer will appreciate this book."

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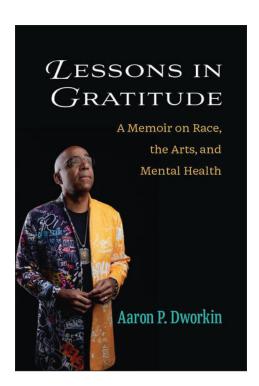
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# **Lessons in Gratitude**

A Memoir on Race, the Arts, and Mental Health
Aaron P. Dworkin

# A tale of persistence, passion, and music

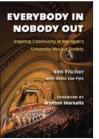
Lessons in Gratitude tells the story of Aaron Dworkin, a MacArthur Fellow, social entrepreneur, and spoken word artist who has dedicated his life's work to changing the face of classical arts in the world. The themes of persistence, passion, and loyalty shine through stories of an unhappy childhood, a lifelong search for identity, and the obstacles of race, culture, and class. Readers will learn how the author greets these challenges and how they drove him to make a difference for people who are shut out of opportunity. Persistence in the face of multiple failures and false starts ultimately led Dworkin to create the Sphinx Organization, whose mission is to address the underrepresentation of Black and Latinx people in the field of the classical arts.

Aaron's unique journey, which begins with his adoption by a white Jewish couple from Chicago at two weeks of age, leads him to the ultimate reunification with his birth family at the age of 31. Lessons of Gratitude is a coming of age story that examines the difficulties of biracial identity across generations and the challenges that mixed race families still face today. It is also a painful and honest adoption memoir, further complicating the narrator's experiences of racial identity throughout his life and shaping his experiences with his own children. Through his work in the arts and the impact of this work, Dworkin has been able to "pay forward" the first thing that offered him unconditional love—music.

**Aaron P. Dworkin** is a Poetjournalist, Professor of Arts Leadership & Entrepreneurship at the University of Michigan, and Founder of the internationally acclaimed Sphinx Organization.

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# The Zombie in American Comics

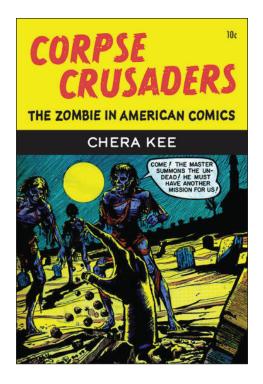
# Chera Kee

# Unearthing the undead stalking the panels of action/adventure and superhero comics

In the popular imagination, zombies are scary, decomposing corpses hunting down the living. But since the 1930s, there have also been other zombies shambling across the panels of comic books—zombies that aren't quite what most people think zombies should be. There have been zombie slaves, zombie henchmen, talking zombies, beautiful zombies, and even zombie heroes.

Using archival research into Golden Age comics and extended analyses of comics from the 1940s to today, Corpse Crusaders explores the profound influence early action/adventure and superheroic generic conventions had on shaping comic book zombies. It takes the reader from the 1940s superhero, the Purple Zombie, through 1950s revenge-from-the-grave zombies, to the 1970s anti-hero, Simon Garth ("The Zombie") and the gruesome heroes-turned-zombies of Marvel Zombies. In becoming immersed in superheroic logics early on, the zombie in comics became a figure that, unlike the traditional narrative uses of other monsters, actually served to defend the status quo. This continuing trend not only provides insight into the overwhelming influence superheroes have had on the comic book medium, but it also provides a unique opportunity to explore the ways in which zombiism and superheroism parallel each other. Corpse Crusaders explores the ways that truth, justice, and the American way have influenced the undead in comics and turned what is often a rebellious figure into one that works to save the day.

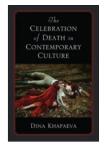
**Chera Kee** is Associate Professor of Film & Media Studies in the English Department at Wayne State University.



"Kee's artful, innovative analysis of the modern zombie's journey as a racialized villain and gendered hero will delight zombiism scholars and comic enthusiasts alike. The dead will want to rise to read this book, only to die again from envy, knowing they couldn't have written anything more compelling!"

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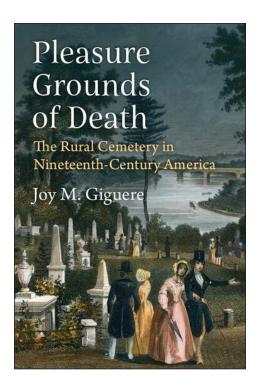




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# **Pleasure Grounds of Death**

The Rural Cemetery in Nineteenth-Century America
Joy M. Giguere

Revealing how landscapes dedicated to the perpetual care of the dead mirrored the transformations and conflicts of the nineteenth century in American society

Rural cemeteries—named for their expansive, picturesque landscape design rather than location—were established during the middle decades of the nineteenth century in the United States. An instant cultural phenomenon, Mount Auburn Cemetery in Cambridge, Massachusetts, was the nation's first such burial ground to combine the functions of the public park and the cemetery, becoming a popular place to picnic and go for strolls even for people who didn't have graves to visit. It sparked a nationwide movement in which communities sought to establish their own cities of the dead.

Pleasure Grounds of Death considers the history of the rural cemetery in the United States throughout the duration of the nineteenth century as not only a critical cultural institution embedded in the formation of community and national identities, but also as major sites of contest over matters of burial reform, taste and respectability, and public behavior; issues concerning race, class, and gender; conflicts over the burial of the Civil War dead and formation of postwar memory; and what constituted the most appropriate ways to structure the landscape of the dead in a modern and progressive society. As cultural landscapes that served the needs of the living as well as the dead, rural cemeteries offer a mirror for the transformations and conflicts taking place throughout the nineteenth century in American society.

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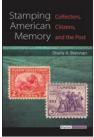
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# On the Act of Crying Daniel Sack

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Crying holds a privileged place in conversations around emotions as an expression of authentic feeling. And yet, tears are ambiguous: they might signal the most positive and negative of affects; they might present a sincere revelation of self or be simulated to manipulate others. Unsurprisingly, tears figure prominently on stage and on screen, where actors have experimented with the mechanics of making tears. *Cue Tears* uses tears as a prism through which to see some of the foundational problems and paradoxes of acting and spectatorship anew, including matters of authenticity and sincerity, the ethics of the witness, the interaction between a speech act and its affective force, liveness and documentation.

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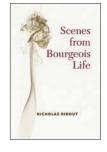
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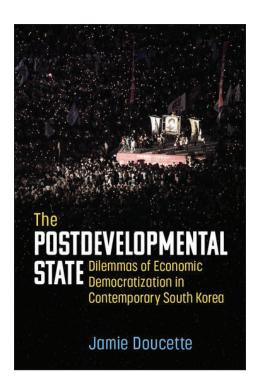
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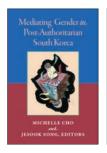
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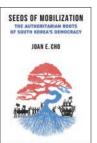
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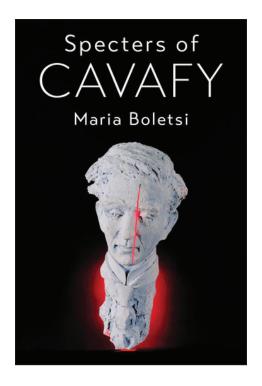
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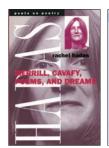
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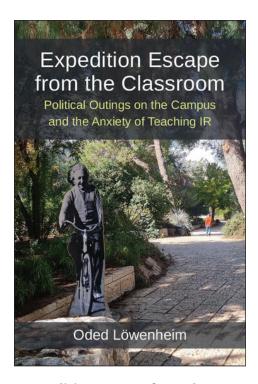


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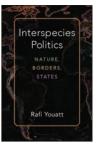
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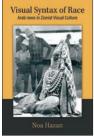
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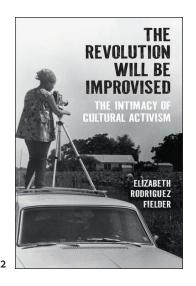
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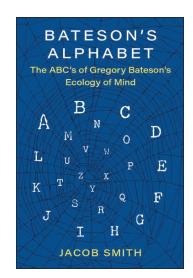
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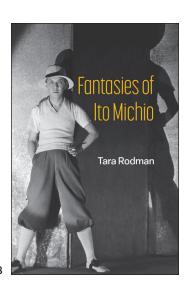
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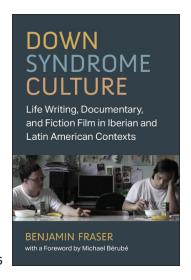
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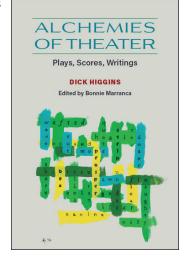
Alchemies of Theater brings together a broad selection of Higgins's writings and theater-related work, much of it unpublished or long out of print, including plays and performance scores, drawings, and writings on theater and performance. As this book demonstrates, Higgins deconstructed the drama long before it became a project of theater; undercut the traditional roles of author and director; created what is now considered "devised" theater; pioneered the use of media in theater, writing the first electronic opera; and was a precursor in deconstruction and "postdramatic" avant-garde traditions.

**Dick Higgins** (1938–98) was a visual artist, publisher, poet, composer, and playwright. He founded the highly influential Something Else Press, and wrote more than three dozen books. **Bonnie Marranca** is Professor Emerita of Eugene

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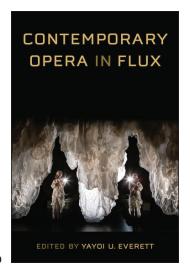
A collection of essays examining operas that push the conventional boundaries of opera and advance the work of underrepresented composers

In twelve essays, Contemporary Opera in Flux discusses a series of shifts that, taken together, have radically redefined the production and reception of opera. Focusing on productions involving late twentieth- and twenty-first century scores and libretti, the twelve contributors draw on conversations with members of creative teams and studies of archival material, dipping into a historical record that remains in flux as composers, librettists, directors, and designers revisit existing work and create anew. The contributors to this volume push the boundaries of contemporary opera scholarship by examining works that disrupt operatic conventions; tackle sociopolitical issues such as drug trafficking, racial injustice, and cultural trauma; and advance underrepresented works by female, African-American, Asian, and avant-garde composers around the globe. This collection of essays engages critically with the past out of a conviction that, amid general public perceptions of opera as anachronistic or elitist, contemporary opera has emerged as an artistic incubator for experimentation.

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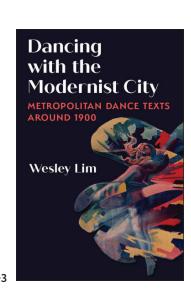
The teaching reflections in *Teaching Difficult Topics* examine difficult themes that fall into three primary categories: subjects that instructors sense to be controversial or emotionally challenging to discuss, those that derive from or intersect with real-world events that are difficult to process, and bigger-picture discussions of how music studies often focuses on dominant narratives while overlooking other perspectives. Some chapters offer practical guidance, lesson plans, and teaching materials to enable instructors to build discussions of race, gender, sexuality, and traumatic histories into their own classrooms; others take a more global view, reflecting on the importance and relevance of teaching these difficult topics and on how to respond in the music classroom when external events disrupt daily life.

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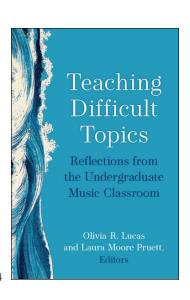
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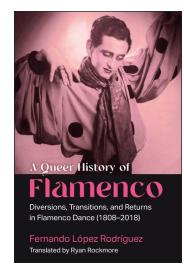
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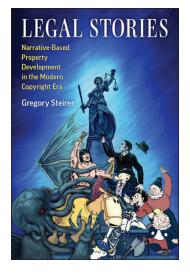
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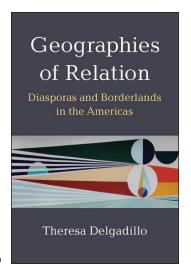
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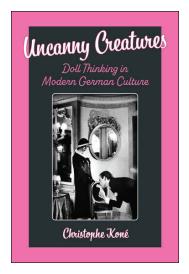
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# **In Search of Admiration and Respect**

Chinese Cultural Diplomacy in the United States, 1875–1974 Yanqiu Zheng

# Reframes cultural diplomacy as part of China's ongoing quest for modernity beyond wealth and power

This book examines the institutionalization of Chinese cultural diplomacy in the period between high imperialism and the international ascendance of the People's Republic of China. During these years, Chinese intellectuals and officials tried to promote the idea of China's cultural refinement in an effort to combat negative perceptions of the nation. Yanqiu Zheng argues that, unlike similar projects by more established powers, Chinese cultural diplomacy in this era was not carried out solely by a functional government agency; rather, limited resources forced an uneasy collaboration between the New York-based China Institute and the Chinese Nationalist government.

Drawing upon diverse archival sources, Zheng expands the contours of cultural diplomacy beyond established powers and sheds light on the limited agency of peripheral nations in their self-representation.

**Yanqiu Zheng** is a historian of China in the world and is Associate Director of Asia and Pacific Programs at St.
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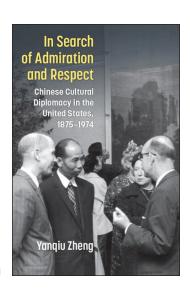
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Rebuilding the State in Twenty-First Century Chinese Universities Yan Xiaojun

### How can a state reinvent itself to survive?

While the processes of founding a new state or constructing a new political order after a transition have been wellstudied, there has been much less attention to how regimes that survive major political crises purposefully reinvent a post-crisis state to respond to updated concepts, new circumstances, changed social demands, and a realigned elite consensus. In Engineering Stability, Yan Xiaojun examines the Chinese Communist Party's efforts to reassert control and restore order on university campuses in the post-Tiananmen era. Since prominent national universities serve the nation-state as training grounds for the country's future political, economic, and cultural elites, public life on university campuses has immediate political relevance. Drawing on rich materials gathered from in-depth field research in China during the Xi Jinping era, Engineering Stability invites scholars of comparative politics, state theory, contentious politics, and political development to rethink and reimagine how a compromised autocratic state is rebuilt within and from itself after overcoming a traumatic moment of vulnerability.

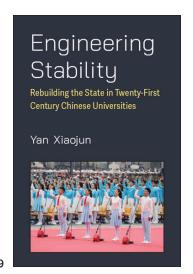
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# **Queer Chimerica**

A Speculative Auto/Ethnography of the Cool Child

Shana Leodar Ye

**Examining the intersections of queer theory and the rise** of China to reveal how queerness is "produced"

Blending archival work, ethnography, and cultural analysis with memoir, graphic arts, and science fiction, Queer Chimerica unpacks the ways in which the transnational circulation of queer culture, politics, and institutions are structured through the antagonist interdependence of China and the United States. By examining the intersecting timelines of the rise of queer theory and the rise of China in the late Cold War era, Shana Ye explores the relationship between the discourse of queer fluidity and capital's demands for labor flexibility.

Queer Chimerica offers insight into the governmentality of LGBT rights, the rules of legibility and recognition, the geo- and bio-politics of identity, and the class-ridden appropriation of queer history and community. Thus understanding the production of queerness unveils the uneven distributions of capital, knowledge, affect, and opportunity that reproduce queer precarity and agency.

Shana Leodar Ye is Assistant Professor of Historical and Cultural Studies at the University of Toronto Scarborough and the Women and Gender Studies Institute at the University of Toronto.

# **Learning to Love**

Intimacy and the Discourse of Development in China

Sonya E. Pritzker

Understanding generational trauma through a method of self-care

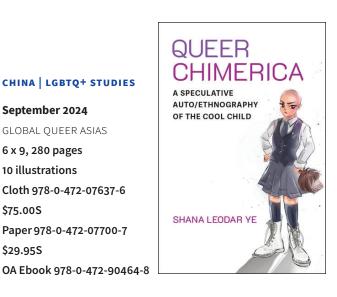
Learning to Love offers a range of perspectives on the embodied, relational, affective, and sociopolitical project of "learning to love" at the New Life Center for Holistic Growth, a popular "mind-body-spirit" bookstore and practice space in northeast China, in the early part of the twenty-first century. This intimate form of self-care exists alongside the fastmoving, growing capitalist society of contemporary China and has emerged as an understandable response to the pressures of Chinese industrialized life in the early twentyfirst century. Opening with an investigation of the complex ways newcomers to the center suffered a sense of being "off," both in and with the world at multiple scales, Pritzker then examines how new horizons of possibility are opened as people interact with one another as well as with a range of aesthetic objects at New Life. By examining the interactions and relational experiences from New Life, Learning to Love offers a range of novel theoretical interventions into political subjectivity, temporality, and intergenerational trauma/ healing.

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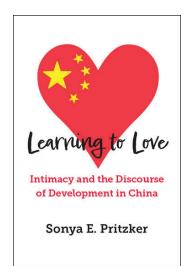


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# Anachronism in Japanese Literature Christopher Smith

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From the modern period, this volume examines literature by Mori Ōgai and Ōe Kenzaburō, manga by Tezuka Osamu, art by Murakami Takashi, and a variety of other pop cultural works. Turning to the Early Modern period (Edo period, 1600–1868), which produced a literature rich with playful anachronism, he also examines several Kabuki and Bunraku plays, kibyōshi comic books, and gōkan illustrated novels. In analyzing these works, he draws a distinction between anachronisms that attempt to hide their work on history and convincingly rewrite it and those conspicuous anachronisms that highlight and disrupt the construction of historical narratives.

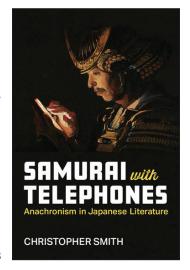
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# **Listening to the Voices of the Dead**

The 3-11 Tōhoku Disaster Speaks Isomae Jun'ichi

An incisive observation of the traumas of loss and marginalization brought to the surface by the 2011 Tōhoku Disaster

Listening to the Voices of the Dead is an account of the author's search for disquieted voices of the dead in the wake of the March 11, 2011, Tōhoku Disaster and his attempt to translate those voices for the living. Isomae Jun'ichi considers the disaster a challenge for outside observers to overcome, especially for practitioners of religion and religious studies. He chronicles the care and devotion for the dead shown by ordinary people, people displaced from their homes and loved ones. Drawing upon religious studies, Japanese history, postcolonial studies, and his own experiences during the disaster, Isomae uncovers historical symptoms brought to the surface by the traumas of disaster. Only by listening to the disquiet voices of the dead, translating them, and responding to them can we regain our true selves as well as offer peace to the spirits of the victims. While this book focuses on this one event in Japanese history and memory, it captures a broadening critique at the heart of many movements responding to how increasing globalization impacts our sense of place and community.

Isomae Jun'ichi is Professor at the International Research Center for Japanese Studies. Lynne E. Riggs and Takechi Manabu are professional translators of mainly nonfiction, working through the Center for Intercultural Communication, which

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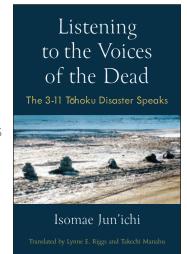
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# Typologies of Humor in African Literatures

# Adwoa A. Opoku-Agyemang

# Examining humor and four of its archetypes in twentieth-century African literature

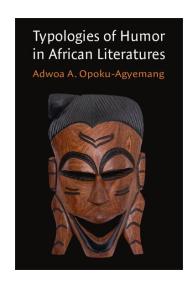
Despite humor being omnipresent in African societies and their literatures, discussions of contemporary African literature have largely dismissed it as being too lighthearted compared to the more serious issues of post-colonial history, class inequality, and politics. Adwoa A. Opoku-Agyemang establishes humor as an essential component of African literary texts across the twentieth century. Typologies of Humor in African Literatures analyzes four comedic archetypes: the Trickster, the Mimic, the Interpreter, and the Deviant. These character types and the humor they produce present a constant pursuit of balance between contrasting worldviews and frames of reference within the imbrication of different languages, classes, political factions, genders, and (un)officialdoms. By analyzing Francophone and Anglophone African writing and how it overlays local languages, Opoku-Agyemang contributes a uniquely African voice to the primarily Western-dominated field of humor studies.

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# **Between HIV Prevention and LGBTI Rights**

The Political Economy of Queer Activism in Ghana
Ellie Gore

# Examining the impacts of global development processes and HIV response on queer politics and activism in Ghana

Between HIV Prevention and LGBTI Rights investigates the transformative impacts of global development's sexual rights agenda on queer politics and activism in Ghana. With queer men bearing a disproportionate burden of HIV in Africa, rights-based health interventions have sought to tackle the epidemic by bringing together, educating, and 'empowering' queer African communities. Gore argues that queer Ghanaian men are not benefiting from development's turn to sexual health and sexual rights. Instead, HIV and other sexual rights-based initiatives operate through neoliberal paradigms that reinforce class divides and de-politicize queer struggle. These dynamics are further shaping and shaped by the politicization of homophobia within the contemporary Ghanaian state.

Gore combines original ethnography, documentary analysis, and the examination of development and global health data to connect the struggle for queer liberation in Ghana to broader trajectories of capitalist transformation and crisis and the afterlives of colonialism.

**Ellie Gore** is a Lecturer in Global Political Economy at the University of Manchester.

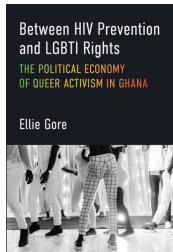
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# The South Korean Film Industry

Sangjoon Lee, Dal Yong Jin, and **Junhyoung Cho, Editors** 

# A multifaceted exploration of the South Korean film industry

The South Korean Film Industry is the first detailed scholarly overview of the South Korean film industry. The thirteen chapters discuss topics from short films to popular television series that have engaged global audiences. Contributors explore the major changes in South Korean film making, marketing, and in the international growth and popularity of South Korean films. By bringing together a wide range of academic specialists on the South Korean film industry, this book situates the current scholarship on South Korean cinema within the ongoing theoretical debates in contemporary global film studies. This volume offers invigorating discussions of the South Korean film industry, as well as its economic, political, and artistic impact on global, local, and regional film industries and cultures.

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Junhyoung Cho is Senior Researcher of the Korean Film Archive.

# **Beyond the River, Under the Eye of Rome**

Timothy C. Hart

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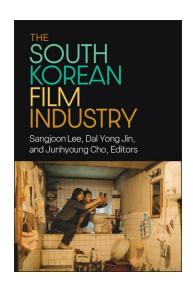
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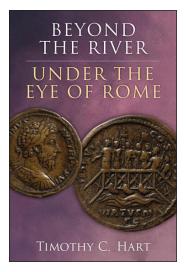
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J. Clayton Fant, Leah E. Long, and Lynley J. McAlpine

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At the turn of the twentieth century, Francis W. Kelsey began to amass a large collection of artifacts from ancient sites across the Mediterranean, with an emphasis on Imperial Rome, to broaden the teaching of antiquity at the University of Michigan. Among the objects now housed in the museum that bears his name is a collection of seven hundred colorful stones dating to the Roman period, one of the largest and most varied collections of Roman decorative stones outside Europe. These pieces were obtained as archaeological artifacts, mostly architectural, with many deriving from wellknown ancient buildings, such as the Baths of Diocletian in Rome and the Palace of Herod in Jericho, allowing for new interpretations of their architectural decoration and design. Chapters trace the formation of the collection, study the archaeology of the artifacts, and detail the history of each stone and its study with a comprehensive bibliography.

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**Lynley J. McAlpine** is Associate Curator of Provenance Research at the San Antonio Museum of Art.

# A Commentary on Plautus' Curculio

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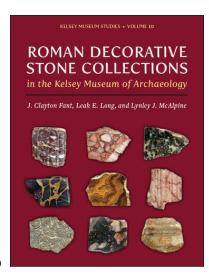
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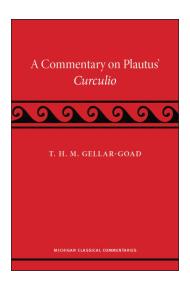


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**Barry B. Powell** is Halls-Bascom Professor of Classics Emeritus at the University of Wisconsin-Madison.

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Jeffrey P. Ulrich

An examination of philosophical choice and aesthetic reception in the reading of Apuleius' novel *Metamorphoses* 

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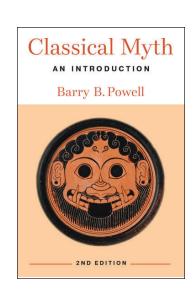
Situating the novel in a long history of philosophical and literary conversations, Ulrich suggests that the Metamorphoses anticipates much of the philosophical burlesque we tend to associate with early modern fiction, from Don Quixote to Lewis Carroll.

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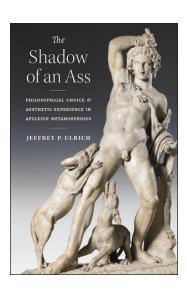
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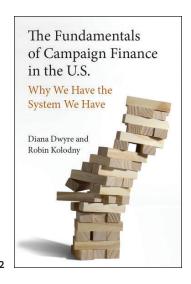
Before the U.S. campaign finance system can be fixed, we first have to understand why it has developed into the system as it exists today. The nature of democracy itself, the American capitalist economic system, the content of the U.S. Constitution and how it is interpreted, the structure of our governmental institutions, the competition for governmental power, and the behavior of campaign finance actors have all played a role in shaping the system.

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# **Autocrats Can't Always Get What They Want**

State Institutions and Autonomy under Authoritarianism

Nathan J. Brown, Steven D. Schaaf, Samer Anabtawi, and Julian G. Waller

# Discovering why autocrats may not be in total control

Autocrats Can't Always Get What They Want argues that to understand how authoritarian systems work we need to look not only at the interests and intentions of those at the top, but also at the inner workings of the various parts of the state. Courts, elections, security force structure, and intelligence gathering are seen as structured and geared toward helping maintain the regime. Yet authoritarian regimes do not all operate the same way in the day-to-day and year-to-year tumble of politics.

Instead of viewing authoritarian governance as something that reduces politics to rulers' whims and opposition movements, the authors show how it operates—and how much what we call "authoritarianism" varies.

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# **The Derecognition of States**

# Gëzim Visoka

# When and why do states lose recognition?

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Gëzim Visoka argues that state derecognition is a highly controversial and unstable practice that has less to do with the unfulfillment of the conditions of statehood by the claimant than with the advancement of the self-interest of the former base state and derecognizing state. By analyzing the withdrawal of recognition, the book offers a window into the reversal politics of unbecoming a sovereign state and how the arbitrary beginning and the end of diplomatic relations between states take place.

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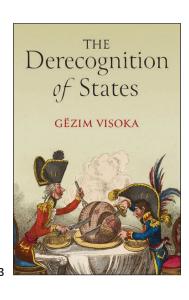
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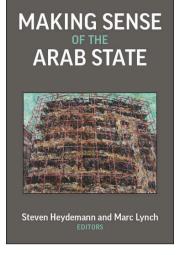
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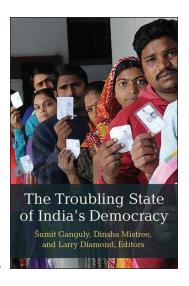
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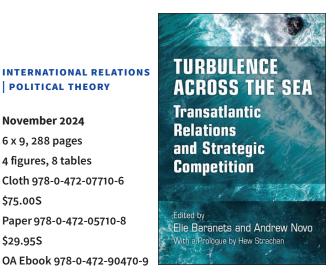
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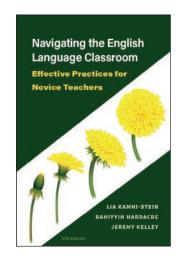
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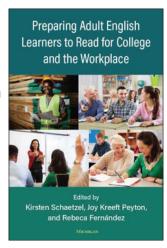
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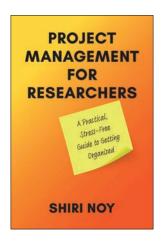
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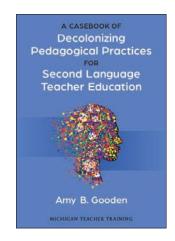
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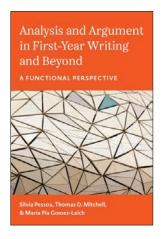


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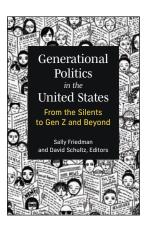
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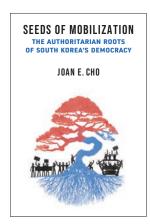
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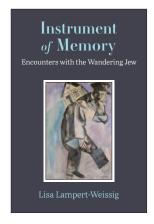
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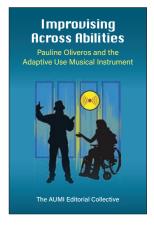


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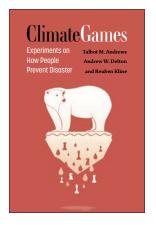














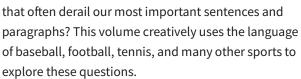
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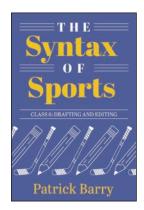
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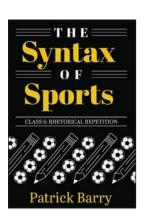
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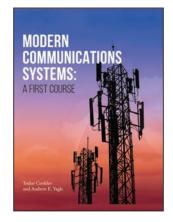
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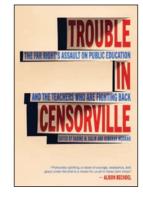
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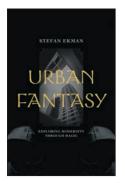
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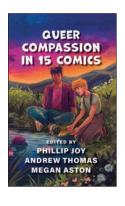
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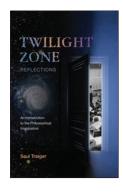
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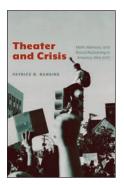
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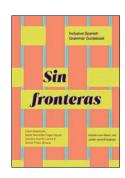
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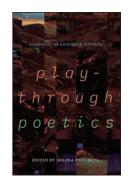
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