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Reversing the Rivers
A Memoir of History, Hope, and Human Rights
William F. Schulz

From 1994 to 2006, William F. Schulz headed Amnesty International USA. During this time, he and the organization confronted some of the greatest challenges to human rights, including genocides in Rwanda, Bosnia, and Sudan; controversies over the prison camp at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba; and the use of torture by the United States after 9/11. Drawing upon his encounters with tyrants, the inspiration of brave human rights heroes, and collaborations with celebrities ranging from Patrick Stewart to Salma Hayek, Schulz uses poignant narrative and amusing anecdotes to discuss the day-to-day realities of struggling with life-and-death human rights crises.

Reversing the Rivers provides Schulz with the opportunity to address profound philosophical questions, such as “What is the nature of evil?” and, the quandary most frequently posed to him during his years at Amnesty, “Given all the horrors in the world you see day after day, how do you retain any hope at all in humanity?”

William F. Schulz is a Senior Fellow at the Carr Center for Human Rights Policy at Harvard University’s Kennedy School of Government. From 1994 to 2006, he served as Executive Director of Amnesty International USA.

Pennsylvania Studies in Human Rights

“A story of great leadership, action, kindness, and compassion, told with sharp prose and candid humor.”—Loung Ung, author of First They Killed My Father: A Daughter of Cambodia Remembers

“Former executive director of Amnesty International USA William F. Schulz has given us a powerful book that reveals profound philosophical lessons for a new generation grappling with complex human rights issues.”—Katrina vanden Heuvel, editorial director and publisher of The Nation

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World Rights
A look inside Reversing the Rivers

My tenure at Amnesty International USA encompassed a period of enormous challenge for the human rights movement. Just a month after I took over as executive director, in March 1994, the genocide in Rwanda began, eventually killing approximately eight hundred thousand people. The next year the massacre at Srebrenica killed eight thousand Bosnian men and boys, and the first years of the twenty-first century witnessed the genocide in Darfur, Sudan. China was emerging as both a major economic power and, in terms of the number of people victimized, the worst human rights criminal in the world. And in the United States the aftermath of 9/11 prompted a series of human rights violations—including the torture at Abu Ghraib, mistreatment of Muslims, and the unlawful imprisonment of hundreds at Guantanamo Bay that still plague the country today. At the same time, the International Criminal Court was launched; the rights of women and LGBTQ+ persons rose considerably higher on the human rights agenda; and the US Supreme Court ruled unconstitutional the execution of juveniles and those with cognitive disabilities. Amnesty and I were involved in all these developments and many more.

My purpose in writing this book, however, is not to recount the history of Amnesty International or the American human rights movement. It is not to offer a scholarly analysis of that movement’s strengths and flaws, many as both of those may be. This is a memoir grounded in my idiosyncratic perspective but written with the hope that readers may extract some lessons for the current generation from key human rights issues we grappled with in the 1990s and early 2000s. I want to reflect on the profound philosophical questions human rights violations present from the standpoint of one who confronted them every day: What is the nature of evil? How do we foster the better angels of our nature? When may we use force to stop people from harming others? To what extent, if any, is the prohibition on torture as simple as it seems? What’s wrong with an eye for an eye? I want to describe some of the people I met in my human rights journey, both heroes and villains, celebrities and common folk, along the way. I’ll duck an assassination, be puzzled by a pickpocket, get to know Ted Kennedy as a man more than an icon, and tangle with a salmon mousse.

The “idiosyncratic perspective” from which I write is that of a white, middle-class American male. I have tried hard during my years working for human rights to be aware of the limitations that identity imposes on me, though I know I have often not succeeded. More important, I recognize the critique of the human rights enterprise itself and Amnesty in particular as products of a colonialist mentality, intent on imposing its values on others in the name of “universalism.” This dynamic is especially acute when it comes to the traditional model of white Westerners “rescuing” those in the developing world from the malicious clutches of their governments or cultures, as I explore especially in Chapter 2, “Prisoners of Conscience.”
Let the Wind Speak
Mary de Rachewiltz and Ezra Pound
Carol Loeb Shloss

Carol Loeb Shloss creates a compelling portrait of a complex relationship of a daughter and her literary-giant father: Ezra Pound and Mary de Rachewiltz, Pound’s child by his long-time mistress, the violinist Olga Rudge. Brought into the world in secret and hidden in the Italian Alps at birth, Mary was raised by German peasant farmers, had Italian identity papers, a German-speaking upbringing, Austrian loyalties common to the area and, perforce, a fascist education.

For years, de Rachewiltz had no idea that Pound and Rudge, the benefactors who would sporadically appear, were her father and mother. Gradually the truth of her parentage was revealed, and with it the knowledge that Dorothy Shakespear, and not Olga, was Pound’s actual wife. Dorothy, in turn, kept her own secrets: while Pound signed the birth certificate of her son, Omar, and claimed legal paternity, he was not the boy’s biological father. Two lies, established at the birth of these children, created a dynamic antagonism that lasted for generations.

Pound maneuvered through it until he was arrested for treason after World War II and shipped back from Italy to the United States, where he was institutionalized rather than imprisoned. As an adult, de Rachewiltz took on the task of claiming a contested heritage and securing her father’s literary legacy in the face of a legal system that failed to recognize her legitimacy. Born on different continents, separated by nationality, related by natural birth, and torn apart by conflict between Italy and America, Mary and Ezra Pound found a way to live out their deep and abiding love for one another.

Let the Wind Speak is both a history of modern writers who were forced to negotiate allegiances to one another and to their adopted countries in a time of mortal conflict, and the story of Mary de Rachewiltz’s navigation through issues of personal identity amid the shifting politics of western nations in peace and war. It is a masterful biography that asks us to consider cultures of secrecy, frayed allegiances, and the boundaries that define nations, families, and politics.

Carol Loeb Shloss is Former Acting Professor of English at Stanford University and author of Lucia Joyce: To Dance in the Wake.
“In this deeply researched biography of an extraordinary and fascinating living person, Carol Loeb Shloss uncovers web upon web of the lies, secrets, and silences that entangled Mary de Rachewiltz even before her birth as Mary Rudge in 1925 in Bressanone, Italy (formerly Austria). What other major writer’s child has a life story that intersects at all points with both international geopolitics and her father’s boundary-crossing, world-making poetry and poetics; with the after-effects of one world war and the lived experience of another; with the hidden causes and devastating effects of Italian and Allied spy networks, including Hoover’s FBI, whose abuse of the law came to daylight in the Watergate investigation; with the contending by lawyers, scholars, and libraries over a valuable international literary estate? *Let the Wind Speak* casts new light on Ezra Pound’s controversial yet indispensable life and work through the lens of his daughter’s life, full of twists, turns, surprises, and mysteries, some of them still unsolved. As a portrait of Mary de Rachewiltz, it captures a moving image of its courageous subject—an eloquent poet, writer, and translator in her own right—as she navigates formidable familial, political, literary, and legal terrains over a turbulent century with forbearance, grace, and creative love.”—*Christine Froula*, Northwestern University
The Innovation Tournament Handbook

A Step-by-Step Guide to Finding Exceptional Solutions to Any Challenge

Christian Terwiesch and Karl Ulrich

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- How to maximize the quality of the opportunities that will compete
- How to select the very best ideas
- How to develop those ideas into real-world opportunities
- How to use tournaments to foster a culture of innovation

Fast-reading and filled with real-world successes, The Innovation Tournament Handbook is a comprehensive roadmap to finding a new match between a solution and a need that is not merely good, but exceptional.

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Terwiesch is coauthor of The Innovation Tournament Handbook; Matching Supply with Demand, a widely used operations management textbook that is now in its third edition; Innovation Tournaments, published by Harvard Business Review Press in 2009; and Connected Strategies, which combines his expertise in the fields of operations, innovation, and strategy to help companies take advantage of digital technology leading to new business models.

Karl T. Ulrich is CIBC Endowed Professor at the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania, where he is also professor of mechanical engineering. His most recent project was the design and construction of Tangen Hall, the largest facility in the world for student entrepreneurship. He cofounded Venture Lab, the Weiss Tech House, and the Integrated Product Design Program, institutions fostering innovation in the university community.

He is coauthor of The Innovation Tournament Handbook; Product Design and Development, a textbook used by a quarter of a million students worldwide; Innovation Tournaments, published by Harvard Business Review Press in 2009; and Winning in China, also available from Wharton School Press.
At the Source
A Courbet Landscape Rediscovered
Edited by Lynn Marsden-Atlass and André Dombrowski

Published on the occasion of the exhibition At the Source: a Courbet Landscape Rediscovered at the Arthur Ross Gallery, this heavily illustrated catalog highlights a newly rediscovered Courbet painting, not shown in public for close to one hundred years, and emphasizes the process of authenticating and conserving this historic work.

Lynn Marsden-Atlass has been the executive director of the Arthur Ross Gallery since 2008 and curator of the University of Pennsylvania Art Collection since 2010. She has curated thirty-four exhibitions at the Arthur Ross Gallery. Previously, she served as senior curator of the Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts, curator of American and contemporary art at the Chrysler Museum of Art, associate director and registrar of the Colby College Museum of Art, and director of the Consortium of Colleges Abroad in Paris. She was professor of nineteenth-century French art for the British Institute in Paris and three colleges, as well as adjunct professor in the Département d’anglais at Université de Caen in 1992–93. In 2016, she was an affiliated fellow at the American Academy in Rome.

André Dombrowski is Frances Shapiro-Weitzenhoffer Associate Professor of Nineteenth-Century European Art at the University of Pennsylvania, specializing in the arts and material cultures of France and Germany in the late nineteenth century. Author of Cézanne, Murder, and Modern Life (2013), a book about the artist’s early work, he has also written essays on Manet, Monet, Degas, Pissarro, and Menzel, among others. He is the editor of the Wiley Companion to Impressionism (2021), bringing together thirty-four essays on Impressionism. He is currently working on his next book, tentatively titled Monet’s Minutes, rooting the rise of the impressionist instant—and nineteenth-century painting’s presumed new “quickness” more broadly—in the period’s innovative time technologies and forms of time management.
A look inside At the Source

The Source of the Lison

Gustave Courbet (French, 1819–1877)
La Source du Lison (The Source of the Lison), 1864
Oil on canvas
Le Puits-noir, Musée d'Orsay, Paris

The painting depicts a landscape scene with a cave entrance, where Courbet painted his 1864 grotto scene. He set out on foot to paint natural sites of the countryside after the most successful academic artist of the day, Jean-Léon Gérôme, embarked on an expedition to the Suez Canal.

The Source of the Loue

Gustave Courbet, La Grotte de la Loue, 1864, photograph after a painting by Eugène Feyen

This grotto painting, set in the Franche-Comté region, is one of Courbet's earliest landscape works. It was completed during his association with the Pre-Raphaelite Brotherhood and reflects his naturalistic approach to painting.

COURBET IN CONTEXT (continued)

Mary Morton

The movement of images and ideas continued to be clarified in the era of the Second Empire. The French Impressionists broke away from the Salon and began to exhibit independently, their work was characterized by a concern for everyday life and a focus on the natural world.

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Trade, Academic Trade

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The Cone Collection, formed by Dr. Claribel Cone and Miss Etta Cone, ca. 1860–65, oil on canvas, 26 × 28 1/2 in.

This painting was part of the Cone Collection, formed by Dr. Claribel Cone and Miss Etta Cone, which later became part of the Hirshhorn Museum and Sculpture Garden.

The Pre-Raphaelite Brotherhood is best known for its members' devotion to naturalism and attention to detail. Their work was characterized by a focus on the beauty of the natural world and a rejection of academic conventions.

The Shaded Stream at Sunset

Gustave Courbet (French, 1819–1877)
Le Shannon à la Source, 1864
Oil on canvas
Musée de Flagey, Besançon

Courbet's landscape scenes often featured rivers and streams, capturing the beauty of the natural landscape and the peacefulness of rural life.

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Undoing Slavery
Bodies, Race, and Rights in the Age of Abolition
Kathleen M. Brown

 Undoing Slavery excavates cultural, political, medical, and legal history to understand the abolitionist focus on the body on its own terms. Motivated by their conviction that the physical form of the human body was universal and faced with the growing racism of eighteenth- and nineteenth-century science, abolitionists in North America and Britain focused on undoing slavery’s harm to the bodies of the enslaved. Their pragmatic focus on restoring the bodily integrity and wellbeing of enslaved people threw up many unexpected challenges. This book explores those challenges.

Slavery exploited the bodies of men and women differently: enslaved women needed to be acknowledged as mothers rather than as reproducers of slave property, and enslaved men needed to claim full adult personhood without triggering white fears about their access to male privilege. Escaping to so-called “free” jurisdictions, refugees from slavery demonstrated that a person could leave the life of slavery behind. But leaving behind the enslaved body, the fleshy archive of trauma and injury, proved impossible.

Kathleen M. Brown is David Boies Professor of History at the University of Pennsylvania. She is author of the prize-winning books Foul Bodies: Cleanliness in Early America and Good Wives, Nasty Wrenches, and Anxious Patriarchs: Gender, Race, and Power in Colonial Virginia.

Early American Studies

“Brimming with insights on gender, medicine, race, rights, and the ultimate meaning of human liberation, Kathleen M. Brown’s book is one of the most innovative treatments of abolitionism in years. Yet it also provides lessons for our own time, when new generations of scholars and citizens look to the past to better understand the fundamental link between human rights and bodily freedom. Simply a must-read book by one of our most creative and thought-provoking historians.”—Richard Newman, author of Freedom’s Prophet: Bishop Richard Allen, the AME Church, and the Black Founding Fathers

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The Silver Women
How Black Women’s Labor Made the Panama Canal
Joan Flores-Villalobos

The construction of the Panama Canal is typically viewed as a marvel of American ingenuity. What is less visible, and less understood, is the project’s dependence on the labor of Black migrant women. The Silver Women argues that Black West Indian women made the canal construction possible by providing the indispensable everyday labor of social reproduction. They built a provisioning economy that fed, housed, and cared for the segregated Black West Indian labor force, in effect subsidizing the construction effort. West Indian women also developed important strategies of claims-making, kinship, community building, and market adaptation that helped them navigate the contradictions and violence of U.S. empire. These strategies nurtured further West Indian migrations, linking Panama to places like Harlem and Santiago de Cuba.

The Silver Women is a history of Black women’s labor of social reproduction as integral to U.S. imperial infrastructure, the global Caribbean diaspora, and women’s own survival.

Joan Flores-Villalobos is Assistant Professor of History at the University of Southern California.

Politics and Culture in Modern America

“In this beautifully written book, Joan Flores-Villalobos places West Indian women at the very heart of the Panama Canal’s construction. They navigated tremendous contradictions, seen as essential to the project yet facing racist exclusion and marginalization by government officials. Their determination to secure moral and economic independence, Flores-Villalobos shows, profoundly shaped Panama, the Caribbean, and more broadly the history of the Americas. Along the way, The Silver Women illuminates in rich detail the critical role Caribbean women played in creating and sustaining the practices of diaspora.”—Julie Greene, author of The Canal Builders: Making America’s Empire at the Panama Canal
The Philadelphia Negro
A Social Study
W. E. B. Du Bois
With a newly updated introduction by Elijah Anderson

In 1897 the promising young sociologist William Edward Burghardt Du Bois (1868–1963) was given a temporary post as Assistant in Sociology at the University of Pennsylvania in order to conduct a systematic investigation of social conditions in the seventh ward of Philadelphia. The product of those studies was the first great empirical book on the Negro in American society.

More than one hundred years after its original publication by the University of Pennsylvania Press, The Philadelphia Negro remains a classic work. It is the first, and perhaps still the finest, example of engaged sociological scholarship—the kind of work that, in contemplating social reality, helps to change it.

In his introduction, Elijah Anderson examines how the neighborhood studied by Du Bois has changed over the years and compares the status of Blacks today with their status when the book was initially published.

W. E. B. Du Bois (1868–1963) was an American sociologist, socialist, historian and civil rights activist who served as editor of the NAACP’s journal Crisis. His seminal works include The Souls of Black Folks, Black Reconstruction in America; and Dusk of Dawn, among many others.

Elijah Anderson is the Sterling Professor of Sociology and of African American Studies at Yale University.

*“A century ago, Du Bois published The Philadelphia Negro, a work now recognized as a sociological classic. He developed a highly detailed portrait of Black social life in Philadelphia. Part of the legacy of his analysis has lost the theoretical holism which linked structural issues of the economy and labor market dynamics to more social psychological and microsocial issues of prejudice and interpersonal discrimination. Sociology would do well to revisit the model Du Bois established.”*—Lawrence D. Bobo, The Annals of the American Academy of Political and Social Science (March 2000)
Prophetic Leadership and Visionary Hope

New Essays on the Work of Cornel West

Edited by Barbara Will

Thirty years have passed since Cornel West’s book Race Matters rose to the top of the bestseller lists in 1993. Yet his book remains as relevant as ever to American culture—even more so, if one considers its influence on contemporary racial justice movements such as Black Lives Matter, prison justice, and the fight for police reform. Prophetic Leadership and Visionary Hope, an edited volume of essays by leading scholars in Black studies, religious studies, and social justice history, looks back to the original 1993 text and forward into the future of racial understanding and healing in our current century, responding to Dr. West’s own repeated insistence that we can only understand our present and future by looking back.

By reengaging with West’s book at this seminal moment, Prophetic Leadership and Visionary Hope offers new points of entry into the thorny issues that the 1993 text addressed: the challenge of leadership in a culture marked by the legacy of white supremacy; the limited value of liberal affirmative action programs in promoting the affirmation of Black humanity; the dangerous seductions of African American conservatism and the question of Black self-regard (what West called “black nihilism”); the necessity and difficulty of cross-race solidarity and cross-religious affinity; the need to channel legitimate Black rage over untenable conditions of existence into productive opportunities and viewpoints. All of these issues are even more marked in American society today. The voices collected in this volume are the legitimate intellectual heirs of the original Race Matters: With essays that span the topics of history, politics, philosophy, religion, cultural studies, music, and aesthetics, Prophetic Leadership and Visionary Hope is as wide-ranging as the thinker whose ideas it engages, interrogates, and celebrates.

Contributors: Nkosi Du Bois Anderson, Paul A. Bové, Matthew M. Briones, Farah Jasmine Griffin, Susannah Heschel, Lucius T. Outlaw Jr., Andrew Prevot, Brandon M. Terry, Cornel West, Barbara Will.

Barbara Will is A. and R. Newbury Professor of English at Dartmouth College.
Frontiers of Gender Equality
Transnational Legal Perspectives
Edited by Rebecca J. Cook
Foreword by Cecilia Medina Quiroga

In Frontiers of Gender Equality, editor Rebecca Cook enlarges the chorus of voices to introduce new and different discourses about the wrongs of gender discrimination and to explain the multiple dimensions of gender equality. This volume demonstrates that the wrongs of discrimination can best be understood from the perspective of the discriminated, and that gender discrimination persists and grows in new and different contexts, widening the gap between the principle of gender equality and its realization, particularly for subgroups of women and LGBTQ+ peoples.

The book illustrates how gender discrimination continues to be normalized and camouflaged, and how it intersects with other axes of subordination, such as indigeneity, religion, and poverty, to create new forms of intersectional discrimination. The conclusion suggests areas of future research, including how to translate the concept of intersectionality into normative and institutional settings, which will assist in promoting the goals of gender equality.


Rebecca J. Cook is Professor of Law Emerita at the University of Toronto.

Pennsylvania Studies in Human Rights

“Frontiers of Gender Equality is essential reading for anyone wishing to understand the evolution of gender equality law and what can be done to secure the democratic ideals of gender equality.”—from the Foreword by Cecilia Medina Quiroga, Former Judge, the Inter-American Court of Human Rights, and former member and Chair, the UN Human Rights Committee

Provides retrospective views of the struggles to eliminate gender discrimination in national and international contexts and suggests areas of future research.

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World Rights
For the Pleasure of His Company
An Affair of the Misty City, Thrice Told
Charles Warren Stoddard
Edited and with an introduction by Christopher Looby

Charles Warren Stoddard (1843–1909) was, during his life, an acclaimed and prolific writer in multiple genres: poetry, travel sketches, personal memoir, and conversion narrative. For the Pleasure of His Company: An Affair of the Misty City, Thrice Told (1903) is Stoddard’s only novel. Set mostly in and around San Francisco in the late nineteenth century, the novel features a protagonist, Paul Clitheroe, who is an aspiring writer living among the Bohemian artistic circles of that place and time—the same circles Stoddard himself inhabited. The novel is both formally experimental and largely autobiographical.

This Q19 volume also includes three of Stoddard’s Hawaiian travel sketches, which chronicle his intimate personal relationship with a Hawaiian youth he calls Kána-Áná. The volume contains a full critical introduction as well as extensive annotations explaining textual references of various kinds and identifying parallels with Stoddard’s own life.

Christopher Looby is Professor of English at the University of California, Los Angeles.

Q19: The Queer American Nineteenth Century

A Marsh Island
Sarah Orne Jewett
Edited and with an introduction by Don James McLaughlin

Toward the end of her life, Sarah Orne Jewett (1849–1909) made a surprising disclosure. Instead of the critically lauded The Country of the Pointed Firs, Jewett declared her “best story” to be A Marsh Island (1885), a little-known novel. Written a few years into Jewett’s decades-long companionship with Annie Fields, A Marsh Island echoes Jewett’s determination to split time between her family home in Maine and Fields’s place on Charles Street in Boston. The novel envisions the saltmarsh as a figure for dynamic selfhood: the ever-shifting boundaries between land and sea a model for valuing both individuality and a porous openness to the gifts of others.

Just as Jewett brought attention to the unique beauty and value of the Great Marsh region, editor Don James McLaughlin reveals a convergence of regionalism and sexuality in Jewett’s work in his introduction. A Marsh Island reminds us that the meaning of “companionship” itself is enriched when we acknowledge its indebtedness to environment.

Don James McLaughlin is Assistant Professor of English at the University of Tulsa.

Q19: The Queer American Nineteenth Century
Friendship
Michael Jackson

This book draws on philosophy, biography, ethnography, and literature to explore the meanings and affordances of friendship—a relationship just as significant as, yet somehow different from, kinship and love. Renowned anthropologist Michael Jackson explores the political and personal resonances of friendship, and the tensions between them—in the thought of philosophers from Aristotle and Montaigne to Arendt, in the biography of the Indian historian Brijen Gupta, and in the oral narratives of a Kuranko storyteller, Keti Ferrenke Koroma. He offers reflections on childhood friends, imaginary friends, lifelong friendships, and friendships with animals and ruminates on the complications of friendship between ethnographers and their interlocutors in the field. Blending memoir, theory, ethnography, and fiction, Jackson shows us how the elective affinities of friendship transcend culture, gender, and age, and offer us perennial means of taking stock of our lives and getting a measure of our own self-worth.

Michael Jackson is Senior Research Fellow in World Religions at Harvard Divinity School.

“A compelling exploration of friendship, rich with insights and astute anthropological and philosophical reflections. Friendship offers a highly original treatment of an important topic in clear and incisive terms. I know of no other work that examines the many diverse aspects of friendship in people’s lives in such rich and informed ways.”—Robert Desjarlais, Sarah Lawrence College
Jewish Blues
A History of a Color in Judaism
Gadi Sagiv

Jewish Blues presents a broad cultural, social, and intellectual history of the color blue in Jewish life between the sixteenth and twenty-first centuries. Bridging diverse domains such as religious law, mysticism, eschatology, as well as clothing and literature, this book proposes that, by way of a protracted process, the color blue has constituted a means through which Jews have understood themselves.

From the use of tekhelet dye in Jewish ritual to the role blue plays in Jewish mysticism to blue’s appearance on the national flag of the State of Israel, the book sheds new light on the power of a visual symbol in shaping the imagination of Jews throughout history. The use of the color blue continues to reflect pressing issues for Jews in our present era, as it has become a symbol of Jewish modernity.

Gadi Sagiv is Associate Professor in the Department of History, Philosophy, and Judaic Studies at The Open University of Israel.

Jewish Culture and Contexts

"Gadi Sagiv’s Jewish Blues masterfully unravels the history of tekhelet, a biblically mandated blue pigment that was lost in antiquity, discussed by legalists, exegetes, and mystics for millennia, and rediscovered with messianic verve in recent decades. Sagiv has created a deeply polychrome and compelling narrative that stretches the blue thread of Jewish tradition to the very heart of contemporary culture studies.‖—Steven Fine, Yeshiva University

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A New History
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*Jewish Life in Medieval Spain* is a detailed exploration of the Jewish experience in medieval Spain from the dawn of Sephardic society in the ninth century to the expulsion of 1492. An important contribution of the book is the integration of the rise and fall of Jewish life in Muslim al-Andalus into the history of the Jews in medieval Christian Spain. It traces the collapse of Jewish life in Muslim Spain, the emigration of Andalusi Jewry to the lands of Christian Iberia, and the long and difficult confluence of these two distinct Jewish subcultures.

Focusing on internal developments of Jewish society, it offers a narrative of Jewish history from the inside out, bringing to light the various divisions and rivalries within the Jewish community. This approach, in turn, allows for a deeper understanding of the complex relations between Spanish Jews and their Muslim and Christian neighbors. Jonathan Ray’s original perspective on the Jewish experience is particularly instructive when considering the widescale anti-Jewish riots of 1391. The combination of violence and mass conversion of the Jews irrevocably shifted the dynamics of interreligious relations as well as those within the Jewish community itself. Yet even in the wake of these tragic events, the Jews of Spain continued to flourish, fostering a culture that they would carry into exile and that would preserve the memory of Jewish Spain for centuries to come.

*Jonathan Ray* is Professor of Jewish Studies at Georgetown University.

Jewish Culture and Contexts
England’s Jews
Finance, Violence, and the Crown in the Thirteenth Century
John Tolan

In England’s Jews, John Tolan tells the story of the thousands of Jews who lived in medieval England before their expulsion in 1290. Protected by the Crown and granted the exclusive right to loan money with interest, Jews financed building projects, provided loans to students, and bought and rented out housing. They shared meals and beer, celebrated at weddings, and sometimes even ended up in bed with Christians.

Yet Church authorities feared the consequences of Jewish contact with Christians and tried to limit it. When revolts broke out against the unpopular Henry III, rebels in debt to Jewish creditors killed Jews and destroyed loan records. Rumors circulated that Jews secretly plotted against Christians and crucified Christian children. All these factors led Edward I to expel the Jews from England in 1290. Paradoxically, Tolan shows, thirteenth-century England was both the theatre of fruitful interreligious exchange and a crucible of European antisemitism.

John Tolan is Professor of History at the University of Nantes and a member of the Academia Europæa.

The Middle Ages Series

“This splendid book offers an engrossing and profoundly learned account of the place of Jews in English society. Its cogent and subtle exploration of the interplay between creative social dynamics and the destructiveness of predatory government have relevance far beyond its thirteenth-century setting.”—R. I. Moore, author of The Formation of a Persecuting Society: Authority and Deviance in Western Europe, 950–1250

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Landscape and Authority in the Early Modern World

Edited by Stephen H. Whiteman

Courts and societies across the early modern Eurasian world were fundamentally transformed by the physical, technological, and conceptual developments of their era. Evolving forms of communication, greatly expanded mobility, the spread of scientific knowledge, and the emergence of an increasingly integrated global economy all affected how states articulated and projected visions of authority into societies that, in turn, perceived and responded to these visions in often contrasting terms. Landscape both reflected and served as a vehicle for these transformations, as the relationship between the land and its imagination and consumption became a fruitful site for the negotiation of imperial identities within and beyond the precincts of the court.

In Landscape and Authority in the Early Modern World, contributors explore the role of landscape in the articulation and expression of imperial identity and the mediation of relationships between the court and its many audiences in the early modern world. Nine studies focused on the geographical areas of East and South Asia, the Islamic world, and Europe illuminate how early modern courts and societies shaped, and were shaped by, the landscape, including both physical sites, such as gardens, palaces, cities, and hunting parks, and conceptual ones, such as those of frontiers, idealized polities, and the cosmos.

The collected essays expand the meaning and potential of landscape as a communicative medium in this period by putting an array of forms and subjects in dialogue with one another, including not only unique expressions, such as gardens, paintings, and manuscripts, but also the products of rapidly developing commercial technologies of reproduction, especially print. The volume invites a deeper and more nuanced understanding of the complexity with which early modern states constructed and deployed different modes of landscape for different audiences and environments.


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English Jamaica and the Spanish Caribbean, 1655–1715

April Lee Hatfield

In the decades following England’s 1655 conquest of Spanish Jamaica, the western Caribbean became the site of overlapping and competing claims—to land, maritime spaces, and people. English Jamaica, located in the midst of Spanish American port towns and shipping lanes, was central to numerous projects of varying legality, aimed at acquiring Spanish American wealth. Those projects were backdrop to a wide-ranging movement of people who made their own claims to political membership in developing colonial societies, and by extension, in Atlantic empires.

Boundaries of Belonging follows the stories of these individuals—licensed traders, smugglers, freedom seekers, religious refugees, pirates, and interlopers—who moved through the contested spaces of the western Caribbean. The book shows how, as they crossed into and out of rival imperial jurisdictions, this mobile and diverse population influenced theories of imperial belonging and interpolity law.

April Lee Hatfield is Associate Professor of History at Texas A&M University and author of Atlantic Virginia: Intercolonial Relations in the Seventeenth Century, also available from the University of Pennsylvania Press.

Early American Studies

“April Lee Hatfield has written a deeply researched and carefully argued study of the racial politics of political community formation in early Jamaica. Boundaries of Belonging is essential reading for anyone interested in the intertwined histories of race, slavery, and political belonging in the Atlantic world.”—Lauren Benton, Yale University

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Adrian Chastain Weimer is Professor of History at Providence College and author of Martyrs’ Mirror: Persecution and Holiness in Early New England.

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Today, the word “neoliberal” is used to describe an epochal shift toward market-oriented governance begun in the 1970s. Yet the roots of many of neoliberalism’s policy tools can be traced to the ideas and practices of mid-twentieth-century liberalism.

In *Illusions of Progress*, Brent Cebul chronicles the rise of what he terms “supply-side liberalism,” a powerful and enduring orientation toward politics and the economy, race and poverty, that united local chambers of commerce, liberal policymakers and economists, and urban and rural economic planners. Beginning in the late 1930s, New Dealers tied expansive aspirations for social and, later, racial progress to a variety of economic development initiatives. In communities across the country, otherwise conservative business elites administered liberal public works, urban redevelopment, and housing programs. But by binding national visions of progress to the local interests of capital, liberals often entrenched the very inequalities of power and opportunity they imagined their programs solving.

Brent Cebul is Assistant Professor of History at the University of Pennsylvania.

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Hospital City, Health Care Nation recasts the story of the U.S. health care system by emphasizing its economic, social, and medical importance in American communities. Focusing on urban hospitals and academic medical centers, the book argues that the country’s high level of health care spending has allowed such institutions to become vital economic anchors for communities. Yet that spending has also constrained possibilities for comprehensive health care reform over many decades. At the same time, the role of hospitals in urban renewal, in community health provision, and as employers of low-wage workers has contributed directly to racial health disparities.

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Guian A. McKee is Associate Professor of Presidential Studies, Miller Center of Public Affairs, University of Virginia, and author of The Problem of Jobs: Liberalism, Race, and Deindustrialization in Philadelphia.

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*Nation’s Metropolis* describes how the national capital region functions as a metropolitan political economy. Its authors distinguish aspects of the Washington region that reflect its characteristics as a national capital from those common to most other metropolitan regions and to other capitals. To do so, they employ an interdisciplinary approach that draws from economics, political science, sociology, geography, and history.

Royce Hanson and Harold Wolman focus on four major themes: the federal government as the region’s basic industry and its role in economic, physical, and political development; race as a core force in the development of the metropolis; the mismatch of the governance and economy of the national capital region; and the conundrum of achieving fully democratic governance for Washington, DC. Critical regional issues and policy problems are analyzed in the context of these themes, including poverty, inequality, education, housing, transportation, water supply, and governance.

The authors conclude that the institutions and practices that accrued over the nineteenth and twentieth centuries are inadequate for dealing effectively with the issues confronting the city and the region in the twenty-first. The accumulation of problems arising from the unique role of the federal government and the persistent problem of racial inequality has been compounded by failure to resolve the conundrum of governance for the District of Columbia. They recommend rethinking the governance of the entire region.

While many books are concerned with the city of Washington, DC, *Nation’s Metropolis* is the only book focused on the development and political economy of the metropolitan region as a whole. It will engage readers interested in the national capital, metropolitan development more generally, and the growing comparative literature on national capitals.

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*The City in the Twenty-First Century*
Community Benefits
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Jovanna Rosen

In *Community Benefits*, Jovanna Rosen explores a new pattern in urban development: local residents and community representatives leveraging large-scale development projects for agreements that promise dedicated local benefits, such as parks and jobs. In general, such development projects have not produced impactful benefits for local residents, and often have contributed to significant community harm, including gentrification and displacement. In response, community activists have launched a fight to control development, using benefits-sharing agreements to ensure that projects produced better outcomes for local residents.

This book dives deep into four case studies—in Los Angeles, Atlanta, Seattle, and Milwaukee—to answer the following questions: Who ultimately benefits from both the agreements and the projects in question? How do benefits get delivered, and who controls this process? What works for these agreements to successfully produce community outcomes? Rosen concludes the book with recommendations for both the agreement negotiation and implementation phases to ensure success.

Jovanna Rosen, Ph.D. is Assistant Professor of Public Policy at Rutgers University-Camden.

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Clayton Howard is Associate Professor of History at the Ohio State University.

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Amanda Shoaf Vincent

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The parks’ development process often included points of conflict, pointing to differing views on what Parisian space should represent and fundamental contradictions between the characteristics of public space and the garden as it is traditionally defined. These parks demonstrate the ongoing cultivation of the city over time, in which transformed sites not only fulfill new functions but also engage with history and their surroundings to create new meaning. They stand for landscape as a form of signifying cultural production that directly engages with other art forms and ways of knowing. Just as the Luxembourg Gardens, the Tuileries, and the Buttes-Chaumont parks exemplify their eras’ cultural dynamics, such parks as the Jardin Atlantique, Parc André-Citroën, and the Jardin des Halles express contemporary French culture within the archetypal space of their era, the city. Finally, they point the way to current trends in landscape architecture, such as citizen gardening and ecological initiatives.

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Derrick R. Spires is Associate Professor of Literatures in English at Cornell University.

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Debbie Sharnak is Assistant Professor of History and International Studies at Rowan University.

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Capitalism and the Senses
Edited by Regina Lee Blaszczyk and David Suisman

*Capitalism and the Senses* is the first edited volume to explore how the forces of capitalism are entangled with everyday sensory experience. If the senses have a history, as Karl Marx wrote, then that history is inseparable from the development of capitalism, which has both taken advantage of the senses and influenced how sensory experience has changed over time.

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The King Is in the Field
Essays in Modern Jewish Political Thought
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Samuel Hayim Brody

If politics is about the state, can a stateless people be political? Until recently, scholars were fiercely divided regarding whether Jews engaged in politics, displayed political wisdom, or penned works of political thought over the two millennia when there was no Jewish state. But over the past few decades, the field of Jewish political thought has begun to examine the ways in which Jewish individuals and communal organizations behaved politically even in diaspora.

The King Is in the Field centers writing from leading scholars that serves as an introduction to this exciting field, providing critical resources for anyone interested in thinking about politics both within and beyond the state. From kabbalistic theology to economic philanthropy, from race and nationalism in the U.S. to Israeli legal discourse and feminist activism, this key study of Jewish political thought holds the promise to reorient the field of political thought as a whole by expanding conceptions of what counts as “political.”

Contributors: Samuel Hayim Brody, Lihi Ben Shitrit, Julie E. Cooper, Arye Edrei, Meirav Jones, Rebecca Kobrin, Vincent Lloyd, Menachem Lorberbaum, Shaul Magid, Assaf Tamari, Irene Tucker, Philipp Von Wussow, Michael Walzer.

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“The essays in this important volume develop a broad and diverse array of Jewish political thinking in the Jewish past and present. Anyone interested in modern Jewish politics, and indeed in modern Judaism, will learn much from this book.”—Leora F. Batnitzky, author of How Judaism Became a Religion: An Introduction to Modern Jewish Thought
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Oded Zinger

Living with the Law explores the marital disputes of Jews in medieval Islamic Egypt (1000–1250), relating medieval gossip, marital woes, and the voices of men and women of a world long gone. Despite a voluminous literature on Jewish law, the everyday practice of Jewish courts has only recently begun to be investigated systematically. The experiences of those at a legal, social, and cultural disadvantage allow us to go beyond the image propagated by legal institutions and offer a view “from below” of Jewish communal life and Jewish law as it was lived.

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Oded Zinger is Senior Lecturer in Jewish History at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem.

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A Life of Psalms in Jewish Late Antiquity

A. J. Berkovitz

A Life of Psalms in Jewish Late Antiquity clarifies the world of late ancient Judaism through the versatile and powerful lens of the Psalter, recounting the many ways that ancient Jews held physical copies of the Psalms, read from it, interpreted it, used it for liturgy, invoked it as magic, and recited it as an act of piety.

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