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I am pleased to welcome you to the Manchester University Press Spring/Summer 2017 catalogue. In a year of political and social upheaval, our attention has been focused both on events at home and abroad, we are proud to be producing relevant high-quality research in the Social Sciences and Humanities on global concerns.

March will see the publication of Go home? The politics of immigration controversies (p.34). This anthropology title takes as its starting point the controversial events of July 2013 when the UK government arranged for a van to drive through parts of London carrying the message ‘In the UK illegally? GO HOME or face arrest’.

Inventing the cave man, a mythology of the caveman from Darwin to the Flintstones will be available in May (p.19).

Art and its global histories (p.7) will be in bookshops from June, providing primary and secondary source materials to support the teaching and learning of art history in a global context, beyond its traditional Western boundaries.

Finally, we’re delighted to announce the fourth edition of Peter Barry’s Beginning theory (p.31), the best-selling accessible guide to applying critical theory to literary texts that has been of immense value to students around the world for over two decades.

We hope you’ll enjoy reading about (and reading) our books.

Simon Ross
CEO, Manchester University Press

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Games are not
David Myers
How do we reconcile a videogame industry’s insistence that games positively affect human beliefs and behaviours with the equally prevalent assumption that games are ‘just games’? How do we reconcile accusations that games make us violent and antisocial and unproductive with the realisation that games are a universal source of human joy?

In Games are not, David Myers demonstrates that these controversies and conflicts surrounding the meanings and effects of games are not going away; they are essential properties of the game’s paradoxical aesthetic form. Games are not focuses on games writ large, bound neither by digital form nor by cultural interpretation. Interdisciplinary in scope and radical in conclusion, Games are not positions games as unique objects evoking a peculiar and paradoxical liminal state – a lusory attitude – that is essential to human creativity, knowledge and sustenance of the species.

David Myers is Distinguished Professor of Mass Communication at Loyola University New Orleans

Decentring France
Gemma King
In a world defined by the flow of people, goods and cultures, many contemporary French films explore the multicultural nature of today’s France through language. From rival lingua francas such as English to socio-politically marginalised languages such as Arabic or Kurdish, multilingual characters in these films exploit their knowledge of multiple languages, and offer counter-perspectives to dominant ideologies of the role of linguistic diversity in society. Decentring France is the first substantial study of multilingual film in France. Unpacking the power dynamics at play in the dialogue of eight emblematic films, this book argues that many contemporary French films take a new approach to language and power, showing how even the most historically maligned languages can empower their speakers. Through studies on social power combined with close film analysis, this book offers a unique insight into academics and students alike into the place of language and power in French cinema today.

Gemma King is Lecturer in French Studies at the Australian National University

La Parisienne in cinema
Between art and life
Felicity Chaplin
Chic, sophisticated, seductive, and enigmatic, the Parisienne possesses a je ne sais quoi which makes her difficult to define. Who or what is the Parisienne and how she is depicted in cinema is the subject of this new and exciting book.

In the first book-length publication to explore la Parisienne in cinema, Chaplin expands on existing scholarship on the Parisienne type in fields such as art history, literature and fashion history, and builds on scholarship on the films discussed to both enrich and offer new perspectives on these films.

Accessible and wide-ranging, this interdisciplinary and lively work will be of immediate interest to students and researchers working in Film Studies and French Studies and the broader humanities as well as a general interest audience. It is also essential reading for cinephiles and Francophiles alike.

Felicity Chaplin is Lecturer in French Studies at Monash University

Screening the Paris suburbs
From the silent era to the 1980s
Edited by Derek Schilling and Philippe Met
Decades before the emergence circa 1995 of a French self-styled ‘hood film, and indeed from the beginnings of cinema itself, French filmmakers looked beyond the gates of the capital for inspiration and content. In the Paris suburbs they found an inexhaustible reservoir of forms, landscapes and social types in which to anchor their fictions, from bourgeois villas and bucolic riverside cafés to postwar housing estates and postmodern new towns. For the first time in English, contributors to this volume address key aspects of this long film history marked by such towering figures as Jean Renoir, Jacques Tati and Jean-Luc Godard. Idyllic or menacing, expansive or claustrophobic, the suburb serves divergent aesthetic and ideological programmes across the better part of a century. Themes central to French cultural modernity (class conflict, leisure, boredom or anti-authoritarianism) cut across the fifteen chapters.

Philippe Met is Professor of French and Cinema Studies at the University of Pennsylvania
Derek Schilling is Professor of French at Johns Hopkins University

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Robert Guédiguian

Series: French Film Directors

Joseph Mai

Intervening at the crossroads of philosophy, politics and cinema, this book argues that the career of Robert Guédiguian is the result of one of the most original and coherent projects in contemporary French cinema: to make a committed, historically conscious cinema, in a local space, over a long period of time, but most especially with friends. The account starts with in-depth consideration of friendship and its relation to philosophy, politics, time and space. The book chronologically traces this project as it begins in Guédiguian’s hometown, the Communist-leaning Marseille. It further unfolds through the political transformations of the 1980s Left and the local activism and utopias of the 1990s, and spreads into Guédiguian’s varied explorations of genre and register. Close analysis is accompanied with historical and social contextualisation, but also with a consistent return to the underlying radical and philosophically rich project.

Joseph Mai is Associate Professor of French at Clemson University

NEW IN PAPERBACK

Chantal Akerman

Series: French Film Directors

Marion Schmid

Chantal Akerman is widely acclaimed as one of the most original and important directors working in Europe today. A towering figure in women’s and feminist filmmaking, she has produced a diverse and intensely personal body of work ranging from minimalist portraits of the everyday to exuberant romantic comedies, and from documentaries and musicals to installation art. This book traces the director’s career at the crossroads between experimental and mainstream cinema, contextualising her work within the American avant-garde of the 1970s, European anti-naturalism, feminism and the postmodern aesthetics. While offering an in-depth analysis of her multifaceted film style, it also stresses the social and ethical dimension of her work, especially as regards her representation of marginal groups and her exploration of exilic and diasporic identities. Particular attention is given to the inscription of the Holocaust and of Jewish memory in her films.

Marion Schmid is Reader in French at the University of Edinburgh

The changing spaces of television acting

From studio realism to location realism in BBC television drama

Richard Hewett

Spanning the 1950s to the present day, this book is a historical overview and a then-and-now comparison of performing for British television drama. By examining changing acting styles from distinct eras of television production – studio realism and location realism – it makes a unique contribution to both television and performance studies, unpacking the various determinants that have combined to influence how performers work in the medium. Comparing the original versions of The Quatermass Experiment (BBC, 1953), Doctor Who (BBC, 1963-89) and Survivors (BBC, 1975-77) with their respective modern-day remakes, the book unpacks the developments that have resulted from the shift from multi-camera studio to single-camera location production. Textual analysis is combined with extensive archive research into production process and reception, alongside interviews with numerous actors and production personnel from more than sixty years of television production.

Richard Hewett is Lecturer in Media Theory at the University of Salford
Adjusting the contrast
British television and constructs of race
Edited by Sarita Malik and Darrell Newton

Through contextual and textual analyses, Adjusting the contrast explores a range of texts and practices that address the ongoing phenomenon of race and its relationship to television. Chapters explore policies and the management of race; transnationalism and racial diversity; historical questions of representation; the myth of a multicultural England, and more. Included are textual analyses of programmes such as Doctor Who, Shoot the Messenger, Desi DNA, Top Boy, and the broadcast environments that helped to create them. The text also seeks to examine how television constructs Britishness for transatlantic audiences through transnationalism, Whiteness, and continued constructs of normativity. Other chapters scrutinise the 1950s and how immigration is reframed on contemporary television screens on programmes like Call the Midwife; the continuing myth of a multicultural England through Luther; and how comedies such as Till Death Us Do Part, cautiously framed racial tensions as laughing matters.

Sarita Malik is Professor of Media, Culture and Communications at Brunel University
Darrell M. Newton is an Associate Dean and Professor in the Communication Arts department at Salisbury University

Paranoid visions
Spies, conspiracies and the secret state in British television drama
Joseph Oldham

Paranoid visions explores the history of the spy and conspiracy genres on British television, from 1960s Cold War series through 1980s paranoid conspiracy dramas to contemporary ‘war on terror’ thrillers. It analyses classic dramas including Tinker Tailor Soldier Spy, Edge of Darkness, A Very British Coup and Spooks. These are situated against British television’s transition from traditional public service principles to the more commercial priorities of the multi-channel era, and also mapped to the real history of British intelligence through key scandals and exposés and campaigns of transparency and openness. This book will be an invaluable resource for television scholars interested in a new perspective on the history of television drama, and intelligence scholars seeking an analysis of the popular representation of espionage with a strong political focus, as well as fans of cult British television and general readers interested in British cultural history.

Joseph Oldham is an Associate Fellow in Film and Television Studies at the University of Warwick

NEW IN PAPERBACK

British films of the 1970s
Paul Newland

British films of the 1970s offers highly detailed and insightful critical analysis of a range of individual films. This analysis draws upon an innovative range of critical methodologies which place the film texts within a rich variety of historical contexts. The book sets out to examine British films of the 1970s in order to get a clearer understanding of two things – the fragmentary state of the filmmaking culture of the period, and the fragmentary nature of the nation that these films represent. It argues that there is no singular narrative to be drawn about British filmmaking in the 1970s, other than the fact that these films offer evidence of a Britain (and ideas of Britishness) characterised by vicissitudes. While this was a period of struggle and instability, it was also a period of openings, of experiment, and of new ideas. Newland looks at many films, including Carry On Girls, O Lucky Man!, That’ll Be the Day, The Shout and The Long Good Friday.

Paul Newland is Senior Lecturer in Film Studies in the Department of Theatre, Film and Television Studies at Aberystwyth University

‘Newland’s current work is a valuable contribution to this corpus, with one of its principal attractions being the detailed picture that emerges of a varied and eclectic film culture characterised by contradictory and permeable notions of Britishness.’
Sian Barber, Queens University Belfast, The Journal of British Cinema and Television

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NEW IN PAPERBACK

The BBC’s ‘Irish troubles’
Television, conflict and Northern Ireland

Robert J. Savage

This book explores how news and information about the conflict in Northern Ireland were disseminated through the most accessible, powerful and popular form of media: television. It focuses on the BBC and considers how its broadcasts complicated the ‘Troubles’ by challenging decisions, policies and tactics developed by governments trying to defeat a stubborn insurgency that threatened national security. The book uses highly original sources to consider how the BBC upset the efforts of a number of governments to control the narrative of a conflict that claimed over 3,500 lives and caused deep emotional scarring to thousands of people. Using recently released archival material from the BBC and a variety of government archives, the book addresses the contentious relationship between broadcasting officials, politicians, the army, police and civil service from the outbreak of violence throughout the 1980s.

Robert J. Savage is Professor of the Practice of History at Boston College

‘The BBC’s ‘Irish Troubles’ is buld to the gunwales with gold-plated archival material, mostly unpublished until now. Robert J Savage has teased out and combined a number of narratives and timelines in a way that effortlessly clarifies some of the most complex events, as well as the twists and turns of public policy in relation to the BBC, during what was probably the most tumultuous period in the organisation’s history.’ Prof John Horgan, Irish Times, 11 July 2015

NEW IN PAPERBACK

Back to the Futurists
The avant-garde and its legacy

Edited by Elza Adamowicz and Simona Storchi

In 1909 the Italian poet Filippo Tommaso Marinetti’s Founding Manifesto of Futurism was published on the front page of Le Figaro. Between 1909 and 1912 the Futurists published over thirty manifestos, celebrating speed and danger, glorifying war and technology, and advocating political and artistic revolution. This collection of essays aims to reassess the activities of the Italian Futurist movement from an international and interdisciplinary perspective, focusing on its activities and legacies in the field of poetry, painting, sculpture, theatre, cinema, advertising and politics. The essays offer exciting new readings in gender politics, aesthetics, historiography, intermediality and interdisciplinarity. They explore the works of major players of the movement as well as its lesser-known figures, and the often critical impact of Futurism on contemporary or later avant-garde movements such as Cubism, Dada and Vorticism.

Elza Adamowicz is Professor of French Literature and Visual Culture at Queen Mary University of London

Simona Storchi is Lecturer in Italian at the University of Leicester
This fascinating memoir by internationally renowned Art Historian Janet Wolff, covers a broad range of themes, including exile and displacement, the generational transmission of trauma and experience and the struggle for creative expression.

**Austerity baby**

Janet Wolff

*Austerity Baby* might best be described as an ‘oblique memoir’. Janet Wolff’s fascinating volume is a family history of sorts, but one that is digressive and consistently surprising. The central underlying and repeated themes of the book are exile and displacement; lives (and deaths) during the Third Reich; mother-daughter and sibling relationships; the generational transmission of trauma and experience; transatlantic reflections; and the struggle for creative expression.

Stories mobilised, and people encountered, in the course of the narrative include: the internment of aliens in Britain during the Second World War; cultural life in Rochester, New York, in the 1920s; the social and personal meanings of colour(s); the industrialist and philanthropist Henry Simon of Manchester; including his relationship with the Norwegian explorer, Fridtjof Nansen; the liberal British campaigner and MP of the 1940s, Eleanor Rathbone; reflections on the lives and images of spinsters. The text is supplemented and interrupted throughout by images (photographs, paintings, facsimile documents), some of which serve to illustrate the story, others engaging indirectly with the written word.

Janet Wolff is Professor Emerita in the School of Arts, Languages and Cultures at the University of Manchester. She is a renowned art historian and writer.

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Postscript
A powerful teaching tool: primary and secondary sources in carefully contextualised thematic sections, introducing students to key debates and thinkers since 1400

Art and its global histories

A reader

Series: Art and Its Global Histories

Edited by Diana Newall

Two chapters of this book are available on a CC-BY-NC-ND licence and the price of the book has been lowered to reflect this.

Art and its global histories is an invaluable teaching tool, offering content ranging from academic essays and excerpts, new translations, interviews with curators and artists, to art criticism. The primary sources and debates in the form of extracts from major secondary texts give a broad chronological span and take a conceptualised, integrated approach to geography, recognising that the problematic of global art history is itself a Western paradigm. The introduction sets out the state of art history today as it undergoes the profound shift of a ‘global turn’. It questions the strengths and pitfalls of this situation. Section one addresses the overarching issues for art history as it faces these challenges, bringing together methodological and overarching texts. The next four sections are arranged chronologically: European art and the wider world 1415–1550; Art, commerce and colonialism 1600–1800; Art and British Empire: India; and Art after empire: decolonisation and globalisation. Section six brings together leading scholars to probe the periods covered by the Reader to draw together the book as a whole, to define the most cogent methodological challenges and to chart the future of global art history. Every text is preceded by a short paragraph written by a specialist on the author and the issues raised. Particular focus is given to British India, which represents a shift from the usual attention paid to Orientalism and French art in this period. The sources and debates on this topic have never before been brought together in a satisfactory way and this book will represent a particularly significant and valuable contribution for postgraduate and undergraduate art history teaching.

Diana Newall is Associate Lecturer at The Open University and Consultant Lecturer at Sotheby’s Institute of Art

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Hito
The first comprehensive academic study of the history of performance art in Eastern Europe

Performance art in Eastern Europe since 1960

Series: Rethinking Art’s Histories

Amy Bryzgel

This volume presents the first comprehensive academic study of the history and development of performance art in the former communist countries of Central, Eastern and South Eastern Europe since the 1960s. Covering twenty-one countries and more than two hundred and fifty artists, this text demonstrates the manner in which performance art in the region developed concurrently with the genre in the West, highlighting the unique contributions of Eastern European artists. The discussions are based on primary source material interviews with the artists themselves. It offers a comparative study of the genre of performance art in countries and cities across the region, examining the manner in which artists addressed issues such as the body, gender, politics and identity, and institutional critique.

Amy Bryzgel is Senior Lecturer in Film and Visual Culture at the University of Aberdeen

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Shows the intersection between conceptual art and 1960s politics

The synthetic proposition

Conceptualism and the political referent in contemporary art

Series: Rethinking Art’s Histories

Nizan Shaked

The synthetic proposition examines the impact of Civil Rights, Black Power, the student, feminist and sexual liberation movements on conceptualism and its legacies in the United States between the late 1960s and the 1990s. It focuses on the turn to political reference in practices originally concerned with abstract ideas, as articulated by Joseph Kosuth, and traces key strategies in contemporary art to the reciprocal influences of conceptualism and identity politics: movements that have so far been historicised as mutually exclusive. The book demonstrates that while identity-based strategies were particular, their impact spread far beyond the individuals or communities that originated them. It offers a study of Adrian Piper, David Hammons, Renée Green, Mary Kelly, Martha Rosler, Silvia Kolbowski, Daniel Joseph Martinez, Lorna Simpson, Hans Haacke, Andrea Fraser and Charles Gaines. By turning to social issues, these artists analysed the conventions of language, photography, moving image, installation and display.

Nizan Shaked is Associate Professor of Contemporary Art History, Museum and Curatorial Studies at California State University, Long Beach

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Writing queer transnational South Asian art histories

Productive failure

Series: Rethinking Art’s Histories

Alpesh Kantilal Patel

This monograph sets out to write new transnational South Asian art histories – to make visible histories of artworks that remain marginalised within the discipline of art history. However, this is done through a deliberate ‘productive failure’ specifically, by not upholding the strictly genealogical approach that is regularly assumed for South Asian art histories. For instance, one chapter explores the abstract work of Cy Twombly and Natvar Bhavsar, and the book also examines ‘Whiteness’, the invisible ground upon which racialised art histories often pivot, as a fraught yet productive site for writing art history. As the book progresses, art historical ‘writing’ includes a range of practice-led forms, such as curating exhibitions or the author’s affective engagement with visual culture. Overall, the book suggests methods for generating art history that acknowledge the complex web of factors within which art history is produced and the different forms of knowledge-production we might count as art history.

Alpesh Kantilal Patel is Assistant Professor of Contemporary Art and Theory at Florida International University in Miami

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The face of medicine
Visualising medical masculinities in late nineteenth-century Paris
Mary Hunter

The face of medicine examines the overlapping worlds of art and medicine in late nineteenth-century France. It sheds new light on the relevance of the visual in medical and scientific cultures, and on the relationship between artistic and medical practices and imagery. By examining previously unstudied sources that traverse disciplinary boundaries, this original study rethinks the politics of medical representations and their social impact. Through a focused examination of paintings from the 1886 and 1887 Paris Salons that portray famous men from the medical and scientific elite – Louis Pasteur, Jules-Émile Péan and Jean-Martin Charcot – along with the images and objects that these men made for personal and occupational purposes, Hunter argues that artworks and medical collections played a key role in forming the public face of scientific medicine.

Mary Hunter is Assistant Professor of Art History at McGill University.

New in Paperback

Soaking up the rays
The art of light therapy in Britain, c.1890–1940
Tania Anne Woloshyn

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Soaking up the rays forges a new path for exploring Britain’s fickle love of the light by investigating the beginnings of light therapy in the country from c.1890 to 1940. Despite rapidly becoming a leading treatment for tuberculosis, rickets and other infections and skin diseases, light therapy was a contentious medical practice. By analysing archival photographs, illustrated medical texts, advertisements, lamps and goggles and their visual representation of how light acted upon the body, Woloshyn assesses their complicated contribution to the founding of light therapy.

Tania Anne Woloshyn was a Wellcome Trust Research Fellow in the Medical Humanities in the centre for the History of Medicine at the University of Warwick from 2012 to 2016.
The hurt(ful) body
Performing and beholding pain, 1600–1800
Edited by Tomas Macsotay, Cornelis van der Haven and Karel Vanhaesebrouck
This book offers a cross-disciplinary approach to pain and suffering in the early modern period, based on research in the fields of literary studies, art history, theatre studies, cultural history and the study of emotions. The volume’s defines ‘hurt’ from the perspectives of both victim and beholder – as well as their combined creation of a gaze. It establishes a double perspective about the riddle of ‘cruel’ viewing by tracking the shifting cultural meanings of victims’ bodies, and confronting them with the values of audiences, religious and popular institutional settings and practices of punishment. It encompasses both the victim’s presence as an image or performed event of pain and the conundrum of the look – the transmitted ‘pain’ experienced by the watching audience.
Tomas Macsotay is Postdoctoral Researcher in Art History at Pompeu Fabra University, Barcelona
Cornelis van der Haven is Lecturer in Dutch Literature at Ghent University
Karel Vanhaesebrouck is Professor of Theatre and Performance Studies at the Université Libre de Bruxelles

Conserving health in early modern culture
Bodies and environments in Italy and England
Series: Social Histories of Medicine
Edited by Sandra Cavallo and Tessa Storey
Did early modern people care about their health? And what did it mean to lead a healthy life in Italy and England? Through a range of textual evidence, images and material artefacts Conserving health in early modern culture documents the profound impact which ideas about healthy living had on daily practices as well as on intellectual life and the material world in this period. In both countries staying healthy was understood as depending on the careful management of the six ‘Non-Naturals’: the air one breathed, food and drink, excretions, sleep, exercise and repose, and the ‘passions of the soul’.
Sandra Cavallo is Professor of Early Modern History at Royal Holloway, University of London
Tessa Storey is Honorary Research Associate in Early Modern History at Royal Holloway, University of London

Leprosy and colonialism
Suriname under Dutch rule, 1750–1950
Series: Social Histories of Medicine
Stephen Snelders
Leprosy and colonialism investigates the history of leprosy in Suriname within the context of Dutch colonial power and racial conflict, from the plantation economy and the age of slavery to its legacy in the modern colonial state. It explores the relationship between the modern stigmatisation and exclusion of people affected with leprosy, and the political tensions and racial fears originating in colonial slave society, exerting their influence until after the decolonisation up to the present day. In the book colonial sources are read from shifting perspectives, of the colonial rulers and, ‘from below’, the ruled.
Stephen Snelders is Research Fellow at Utrecht University, Faculty of Science, Freudenthal Institute/History and Philosophy of the Sciences, The Netherlands

Medical misadventure in an age of professionalisation, 1780–1890
Series: Social Histories of Medicine
Alannah Tomkins
This book looks at medical professionalisation from a new perspective, one of failure rather than success. It questions the existing picture of broad and rising medical prosperity across the nineteenth century to consider the men who did not keep up with professionalising trends. It unpicks the life stories of men who could not make ends meet or who could not sustain a professional persona of disinterested expertise, either because they could not overcome public accusations of misconduct or because they struggled privately with stress. In doing so it uncovers the trials of the medical marketplace and the pressures of medical masculinity. All professionalising groups risked falling short of rising expectations, but for doctors these expectations were inflected in some occupationally specific ways.
Alannah Tomkins is a Reader in History at Keele University
Rethinking modern prostheses in Anglo-American commodity cultures, 1820–1939

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Louise Squire is an independent scholar

Why theory?
Cultural critique in film and television
Edward Tomarken

Edward Tomarken’s previous book, Filmspeak, was a study of literary theory in relation to contemporary mainstream films. Some of the abstruse ideas of early literary theorists (1950–70) had in fact permeated our thinking to such an extent that both movies and theories enriched and shed light upon one another. One early response to Filmspeak, however, was the question ‘Why theory?’, a remark that provides the title of this new and exciting exploration of literature.

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Rehana Ahmed

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Tara Stubbs

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Miriam Bankovsky is Lecturer in Political Theory for the Politics program at La Trobe University in Melbourne, Australia.

Alice Le Goff is Assistant Professor in Social Philosophy at Université Paris Descartes (Paris 5).

Bauman and contemporary sociology
A critical analysis
Ali Rattansi

This is the first single-authored critical engagement with the major works of Zygmunt Bauman. Where previous books on Bauman have been exegetical, here an unwavering light is shone on key themes in the sociologist’s work, exposing serious weaknesses in Bauman’s interpretations of the Holocaust, Western modernity, consumerism, globalisation and the nature of sociology. The book shows how Eurocentrism, the neglect of issues of gender and a lack of awareness of the racism faced by Europe’s non-white ethnic minorities seriously limit Bauman’s analyses of Western societies. At the same time, it points to Bauman’s repeated insistence on the need for sociologists to take a moral stance in favour of the world’s poor and downtrodden as being his most valuable legacy. The book will be of great interest to sociologists. Its readability will be valued by undergraduates and postgraduates and it will attract a readership well beyond the discipline.

Ali Rattansi is Visiting Professor of Sociology, City, University of London

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Investigates government campaigns to demonstrate toughness on immigration, and the wide-reaching consequences for migrants and citizens alike

Go home?

The politics of immigration controversies

Hannah Jones, Yasmin Gunaratnam, Gargi Bhattacharyya, William Davies, Sukhwant Dhaliwal, Kirsten Forkert, Emma Jackson and Roiyah Saltus

In July 2013, the UK government arranged for a van to drive through parts of London carrying the message ‘In the UK illegally? GO HOME or face arrest.’ This book tells the story of what happened next. The vans were short-lived, but they were part of an ongoing trend in government-sponsored communication designed to demonstrate toughness on immigration. The authors set out to explore the effects of such performances: on policy, on public debate, on pro-migrant and anti-racist activism, and on the everyday lives of people in Britain. This book presents their findings, and provides insights into the practice of conducting research on such a charged and sensitive topic.

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Revisiting *divisions of labour* is a reflection on the making of a modern sociological classic text and its enduring influence on the discipline and beyond. Ray Pahl’s 1984 book is distinctive in the sustained impact it has had on how sociologists think about research and report on the changing nature of work and domestic life. In this timely revisiting of a landmark project, excerpts from the original are interspersed with contributions from leading researchers reflecting on the book and its effects in the ensuing three decades. The book will be of interest to researchers, students and lecturers in sociology and related disciplines.

Graham Crow is Professor of Sociology and Methodology at the University of Edinburgh

Jaimie Ellis is Research Fellow in the Faculty of Health Sciences at the University of Southampton

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Michael Loadenthal is Visiting Assistant Professor of Sociology and Social Justice at Miami University of Oxford, Ohio, and Executive Director of the Peace and Justice Studies Association

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Jeremy C. A. Smith

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Scholars of political thought have given a great deal of attention to the relationship between European political ideas and colonialism, especially to whether prominent thinkers supported or opposed the practice. But little attention has so far been given to the reactions of those in the colonies to European ideas, where intellectuals actively sought to transform those ideas, deploying them strategically or adopting them as their own. A full reckoning of colonialism’s effects requires attention to their intellectual choices and the political efforts that accompanied them, which sometimes produced surprising successes. The contributors to this volume include a mix of political theorists and intellectual historians, who seek to grapple with specific thinkers or contexts. Contributors focus on colonised societies including India, Haiti, the Philippines, Egypt, Morocco, Nigeria and the settler countries of North America and Oceana, in times ranging from the French Revolution to the modern day.

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The Subcultures Network is the interdisciplinary network for the study of subcultures, popular music and social change, hosted by the University of Reading.

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Jonathan Hearn is Professor of Political and Historical Sociology at the University of Edinburgh

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Kinneret Lahad
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Modernism and the making of the Soviet New Man

Tijana Vujosevic

The creation of Soviet culture in the 1920s and the 1930s was the most radical of modernist projects, both in aesthetic and in political terms. Modernism and the making of the Soviet New Man explores the architecture of this period as the nexus between aesthetics and politics. The design of the material environment, according to the author, was the social effort that most clearly articulated the dynamic of the socialist project as a negotiation between utopia and reality, the will for progress and the will for tyranny. It was a comprehensive effort that brought together professional architects and statisticians, theatre directors, managers, housewives, pilots, construction workers. What they had in common was the enthusiasm for defining the ‘new man’, the ideal citizen of the radiant future, and the settings in which he or she lives.

Tijana Vujosevic is Assistant Professor at the University of Western Australia.

A cultural history of chess players

Minds, machines and monsters

John Sharples

This inquiry concerns the cultural history of the chess player. It takes as its premise the idea that the chess player has become a fragmented collection of images, underpinned by challenges to, and confirmations of, chess’s status as an intellectually-superior and socially useful game, particularly since the medieval period. Yet, the chess player is an understudied figure. No previous work has shone a light on the chess player itself. Increasingly, chess histories have retreated into tidy consensus. This work aspires to a novel reading of the figure as both a flickering beacon of reason and a sign of monstrosity. To this end, this book, utilising a wide range of sources, including newspapers, periodicals, detective novels, science-fiction and comic books, is underpinned by the idea that the chess player is a pluralistic subject used to articulate a number of anxieties pertaining to themes of mind, machine and monster.

John Sharples is an independent historian.

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The spectacle of major cultural and sporting events can preoccupy modern societies. This book is concerned with contemporary mega-events, like the Olympics and Expos. Using a sociological perspective Roche argues that mega-events reflect the major social changes which now influence our societies, particularly in the West, and that these amount to a new ‘second phase’ of the modernisation process. Changes are particularly visible in the media, urban and global locational aspects of mega-events. Thus he suggests that contemporary mega-events, in both their achievements and their vulnerabilities, reflect, in the media sphere, the rise of the internet; in the urban sphere, de-industrialisation and the growing ecological crisis; and in the global sphere, the relative decline of the West and the rise of China and other ‘emerging’ countries. The book investigates the ways in which contemporary mega-events reflect, but also mark and influence, social changes in each of these three contexts.

Maurice Roche is Emeritus Professor of Sociology at the University of Sheffield.

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This bold and original study looks at the performance of identity in the public sphere, using the concept of ‘plumage’ to capture the countless elements that go together to make up a shared identity

Cultivating political and public identity

Why plumage matters

Rodney Barker

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Public and political life can no longer be seen as simply the pursuit of material gain or even as the struggle for enough food and shelter by which to live. The interests which people pursue are shaped by the identities which they both inherit and cultivate. In generating identities, everything is important, from clothing to cuisine, from architecture to language and to understand why and how people associate in groups and communities, and why they compete and conflict with each other, every aspect of identity has to be taken seriously. Whatever secrets may remain in people’s minds or souls, who they are socially is what they say, what they eat and how they live. This book is ideal reading for students, lecturers, and the general reader interested in the importance of identity in public life, and in the inherent political momentum in identity cultivation to both equality and inequality simultaneously

Rodney Barker is Emeritus Professor of Government at LSE and Emeritus Professor of Rhetoric at Gresham College

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This book is the only one of its kind, providing a clear and exhaustive analysis of the different approaches to the future of Britain’s second chamber. The House of Lords has long been the subject of proposals for reform - some successful, others not - and calls for the existing membership to be replaced by elected members have been a staple of political debate. The debate has been characterised by heat rather than light, proponents and opponents of change often talking past one another. This work gives shape to the debate, drawing out the role of the House of Lords, previous attempts at reform and the different approaches to the future of the House. It develops the argument for each and analyses the current state of the debate about the future of the upper house in Britain’s political system.

Philip Norton is Professor of Government at the University of Hull and sits in the House of Lords as Lord Norton of Louth.

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Arthur Aughey

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Arthur Aughey is Professor of Politics at the University of Ulster.

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Martin Jones is Pro Vice-Chancellor of Aberystwyth University and Co-Director, Wales Institute of Social & Economic Research, Data & Methods (WISERD).

Rhys Jones is Professor of Political Geography, Institute of Geography and Earth Sciences, Aberystwyth University.

Labour and working-class lives

Essays to celebrate the life and work of Chris Wrigley

Edited by Keith Laybourn and John Shepherd

British labour history has been one of the dominating areas of historical research in the last sixty years and this book, offers a collection of essays written by leading British labour historians of that subject including Ken Brown, Malcolm Chase and Matthew Worley. It focuses upon trade unionism, the co-operative movement, the rise and fall of the Labour Party, and working-class lives, comparing British labour movements with those in Germany and examining the social and political labour activities of the Lansburys. There is, indeed, some important work connected with the cultural developments of the British labour movement, most obviously in the essay written by Matthew Worley on communism and Punk Rock.

Keith Laybourn is Professor of History and the Diamond Jubilee Professor of the University of Huddersfield.

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An overview of the work of Norman Geras, philosopher, influential political blogger and cricket enthusiast

The Norman Geras reader
‘What’s there is there’

Edited by Eve Garrard and Ben Cohen

This is the first book to gather the key writings of the distinguished political theorist Norman Geras into a single volume, providing a comprehensive overview of the thinking of one of the most important Marxist philosophers in the postwar era. Among the essays included here are ‘The controversy about Marx and justice’, ‘The duty to bring aid’, ‘Primo Levi and Jean Amery: Shame’ and the contentious ‘Euston Manifesto’, which lays down a set of central principles for the democratic left in the twenty-first century. The reader is rounded out with several posts from Geras’s much-loved and widely read ‘Normblog’, as well as companion essays by Alan Johnson and Terry Glavin, which explore how Geras’s philosophical concerns led to his more recent, trenchant critiques of the direction of left-wing politics.

Eve Garrard is Honorary Research Fellow in the Department of Philosophy at the University of Manchester

Ben Cohen is Senior Editor of The Tower and a contributor to the Wall Street Journal, Tablet, Haaretz and Commentary

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Norman Geras: A bibliography
Written from a radical sociological perspective, this is the first biography of Bob Crow, the best-known union leader of his generation.

**Bob Crow: Socialist, leader, fighter**

**A political biography**

Gregor Gall

Bob Crow was the most high-profile and militant union leader of his generation. This biography focuses on his leadership of the RMT union, examining and exposing a number of popular myths created about him by political opponents. Using the schema of his personal characteristics (including his public persona), his politics and the power of his members, it explains how and why he was able to punch above his weight in industrial relations and on the political stage, helping the small RMT union become as influential as many of its much larger counterparts. As RMT leader, Crow oversaw a rise in membership and promoted a more assertive and successful bargaining approach. While he failed to unite all socialists into one new party, he established himself as the leading popular critic of neoliberalism, ‘New’ Labour and the age of austerity.

Gregor Gall is Professor of Industrial Relations at the University of Bradford

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