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### *Anthropology*

Hong Kong Foodways / Sidney C.H. Cheung  
Hong Kong: City University of Hong Kong Press, 2022  
x, 106p.  
9789888754359  
Hong Kong Matters  
\$ 24.00 / PB  
132gm.

This book examines Hong Kong foodways in different periods of social development and hopes to advance anthropological inquiries by addressing issues concerning identity, migration, consumerism, globalization, and the invention of local cuisines in the context of Hong Kong as a fast-changing society in East Asia.

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### *Art*

Amber : Baltic Gold = 琥珀: 波羅的海黃金 / (Ed) Isabelle Frank (et al.)  
Hong Kong: City University of Hong Kong Press, 2022  
236p. ; 235x310mm.  
English & Chinese Languages  
9789624424645  
\$ 70.00 / HB  
1556gm.

The catalogue for Amber: Baltic Gold, accompanies the exhibition held at the Indra and Harry Banga Gallery, City University of Hong Kong (December 15, 2022-April 11, 2023) which focuses on amber's remarkable aesthetic and scientific significance. Amber is a beautiful and fascinating organic material that for centuries was believed to be a gemstone. Treated like a rare mineral, amber is simply a fossilized form of resin secreted by different plants. The most famous type comes from the Baltic regions, formed from the sap of extinct conifers 100 million years ago. As it drips down the tree, the sap often traps insects and vertebrates, which are then preserved in the amber, offering rare clues about the evolution of species millions of years ago. The six essays in the catalogue provide an overview of the diffusion of amber across Europe from the Baltic regions to ancient Rome, and then down the famous Silk Road to China. The earliest amber objects date from the Neolithic ages, from the Baltic areas; thousands of years later treated amber appears in China circa 1,000 BCE, and by the 8th century is commonly buried in Etruscan tombs in Italy. In China, amber continued to be prized over the succeeding centuries, fashioned into precious jewellery and personal accessories. In

later medieval and early modern Europe amber was seen as a mysterious and rare material with unknown origins, employed to make private devotional objects and magnificent royal gifts. By the end of the 18th century, however, tastes had changed in both Asia and Europe, and amber's popularity declined. However, in the Baltic countries it remained a national treasure and important for the decorative arts. Today is amber is undergoing an aesthetic revival, once again it beginning to attract the attention of contemporary artists.

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Fading Neon Lights: An Archive of Hong Kong's Visual Culture / Brian Sze-Hang Kwok  
Hong Kong: City University of Hong Kong Press, 2023

xvi, 188p. ; 216x178mm.

9789629375928

\$ 80.00 / PB

570gm.

Suspended above us with intricate patterns and flamboyant colours, the neon signs of Hong Kong easily guide us to local businesses, Chinese restaurants, bars, and department stores. Apart from marketing and advertising, these neon signs actually convey much more — and mean much more to those who view the signs as a part of their home.

This book documents Hong Kong's neon signs whilst taking on a historical, socio-cultural, and contextual study of visual culture around the city. It explores the inter-related components of neon signs, including each sign's unique visual aesthetic and design, the history of craftsmanship and training, and how the streetscape relates to Hong Kong's consumer culture. With an underlying theme of photographic conservation and an array of vibrant images, the author brings the everyday signage of Hong Kong to life.

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Carnival of Dreams / Photomontages by Basil Pao; Introduction by Pico Iyer  
Hong Kong: Hong Kong University Press, 2023

208p.

9789888805747

\$ 82.50 / HB

This book offers a glimpse into the wide-ranging 50-year career of the internationally renowned Hong Kong photographer/designer through his work in collages and photomontages. From his early album covers when he was an art director/designer for the music industry in New York, Los Angeles and London in the 1970's, through his diverse international assignments and personal works, to his most recent exhibition in Hong Kong. The story encompasses the long journey from cut-and-paste collages to the computer-composited photomontages of dreamscapes in this Carnival of Dreams.

In his introduction titled 'The Man from Everywhere', Pico Iyer writes: "For decades now, Basil Pao has been the global eye through which I've taken in almost every country, as clearly as the world within... I never know where to place Basil; I can't get my head around him. Album-designer, loving father, covert Chan master—21st century Renaissance man—Basil is always bringing the many worlds inside him together to create something far more than the sum of their parts. Is he a Taoist Fellini? Or just a state-of-the-art contemplative? It doesn't really matter. For so many years, he's been giving us the world—wide-angle, close-up, crazy, moving and ravishing. It only makes sense that now he's showing us whole other worlds, which may be inside us, outside us or both at once. Art's dream, I believe, is to do just this: stand us on our heads, speak directly to our hearts—and never cease to surprise."

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### *Biography/Memoirs*

More When I Know You Better: The Life of Albert Sanguinetti, 1923–2009 / Stuart Wolfendale  
Hong Kong: City University of Hong Kong Press, 2022  
xii, 236p.  
9789629376369  
\$ 45.60 / PB  
430gm.

Focusing on Albert Sanguinetti from his early life to his retirement from the legal sector, including his tenures in Gibraltar, Kenya, and Hong Kong, this biography provides an in-depth view of the life of a prominent figure in the legal field in the late twentieth century. It is written from an objective, external viewpoint and paints a colourful and lively picture of Sanguinetti in a voice that could almost be his own. Using Sanguinetti's life experiences, the biographer touches on various historical events, including the Mau Mau revolution in Kenya and the 1957 riots in Hong Kong, and details the social and political problems of the times, such as lingering colonialism, class structure issues, and human rights violations, among others. These glimpses of history through Sanguinetti's eyes are accessible, thought-provoking, and truly representative of the man himself.

Offering a well-rounded image of the eccentric subject, this book fulfils Sanguinetti's common response to questions about both his personal and professional life — "more when I know you better". It will undoubtedly be of interest to those who knew Sanguinetti as well as legal professionals, young barristers, and readers with an interest in post-war history in Gibraltar, Kenya, and especially Hong Kong.

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### *Law*

Healthcare Law and Ethics: Principles and Practices / (Eds) James Shing Ping Chiu, Albert Lee & Kar-Wai Tong  
Hong Kong: City University of Hong Kong Press, 2023  
xxvi, 550p.  
Includes Index  
9789629376543  
\$ 76.00 / PB  
900gm.

With the increasing number of complaints and court cases relating to healthcare disputes, healthcare practitioners (HCPs) are now facing more challenges and dilemmas in their daily practices. This book is unique in that most chapters are written jointly by two authors: one with legal training and one with a healthcare background. The balanced view offered thus allows readers to gain a thorough understanding of the concepts presented. Although most of the examples and scenarios are specific to medical doctors, the basic principles and ethical considerations as well as the enforcement of laws and regulations are, with some modifications, equally applicable to other HCPs, such as dentists, nurses, midwives, etc. Readers interested in healthcare law and ethics from numerous fields and stages of training, including legal and healthcare practitioners, trainees, postgraduate researchers and

undergraduate students, will find this book both informative and practical as an aid to their work and studies.

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The National Security Law Of Hong Kong: Restoration and Transformation / (Eds) Hualing Fu & Michael Hor

Hong Kong: Hong Kong University Press, 2022  
vi, 390p.

Includes Index  
9789888754199  
\$ 100.00 / HB  
694gm.

An exploratory study of the National Security Law in Hong Kong.

The Law of the People's Republic of China on Safeguarding National Security in the Hong Kong SAR (the National Security Law or "NSL") promises to be the most important legal development in Hong Kong since the advent of the Basic Law. In the aftermath of the NSL, many wondered how the foundations of Hong Kong's system might be changed and in what way the freedoms valued by Hong Kong might be affected. Supporters view the law as essential for the preservation of public order and the national security of China, as well as supporting the fundamental well-being of "One Country, Two Systems," an arrangement that has been in place since the return of Hong Kong to China, while critics fear an adverse impact on the spirit of "One Country, Two Systems." This collection of essays brings together leading experts on Hong Kong and Chinese law to offer an exploratory study of the NSL and its impact on the legal system and the principle of the rule of law in Hong Kong.

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Butterworths Hong Kong Company Law Handbook, 25th Edition / ELG Tyler; Stefan HC Lo  
Hong Kong: Lexis Nexis, 2023

2v.  
97898888814657  
\$ 750.00 (Set) / PB

Butterworths Hong Kong Company Law Handbook (25th Edition) aims to deal with the intricacies of the Companies Ordinance (Cap. 622) in an easily accessible form. This Handbook reproduces the text of the Ordinance as currently in force along with section by section annotations and examines the significant judicial decisions and rules of the court. The annotations also provide definitions of words and phrases, discussions on practical aspects and contentious issues with reference to each section, and other authoritative materials including cross-jurisdictional references.

Readers may wish to refer to the Butterworths Hong Kong Company Law (Winding-Up and Miscellaneous Provisions) Handbook, which is a complementary text containing the remaining Parts from the "old Companies Ordinance" (Cap 32) that have not been repealed.

As this series has been cited with authority in over one hundred court cases in the Hong Kong Court of First Instance, Court of Appeal, and Court of Final Appeal, this Handbook will no doubt be an invaluable source of information for practitioners, legal advisers, company secretaries, students and anyone interested in the laws governing companies in Hong Kong.

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Principles of Arbitration in Hong Kong / Ken To; Julian Yeung  
Hong Kong : LexisNexis Hong Kong, 2023

1v.  
9789888814374  
\$ 330.00 / PB

Principles of Arbitration in Hong Kong draws on the practical and academic experience of its authors' time as arbitration practitioners, both as party counsels as well as adjudicators. Drawing on current case law, this text considers the common issues that arise in arbitration in Hong Kong and seeks to reduce the issues into basic principles upon which readers can quickly reference in their own research and study.

In addition to covering the fundamental principles of Arbitration in Hong Kong, this text covers the latest developments in the region, including, inter alia, third-party funding for arbitration in Hong Kong and the application of the Interim Measures Arrangement.

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Butterworths Hong Kong Immigration Law Handbook, 4th Edition  
/ Yang-Wahn Hew; Kevin Lau  
Hong Kong : LexisNexis Hong Kong, 2023

1v.  
9789888814640  
\$ 230.00 / PB

Butterworths Hong Kong Immigration Law Handbook - Fourth Edition contains new material, cases, and commentary on various sections of Cap.115. Some of the key updates include:

The contents and impact of the 2021 amendments to the Ordinance which relate primarily to the processing of torture / non-refoulement claims at Part VIIC and Schedule 1A of Cap.115 as well as recent case law on the same topic, including those relating to the handling of child claimants, the rule in *Browne v Dunn* in proceedings before the Torture Claims Appeal Board, and the potential impact of the amendments to section 37ZT on the late filing of notices of appeal.

Butterworths Hong Kong Immigration Law Handbook - Fourth Edition is the essential guide to the rapidly evolving area of immigration law and practice in Hong Kong. This Handbook makes available in a convenient form the full text of the Immigration Ordinance (Cap 115), together with section-by-section annotations, amendment notes, carefully researched case authorities, expert commentary, and other authoritative material presented in a concise and succinct style.

This series has been cited with authority in over one hundred court cases in the Hong Kong Court of First Instance, Court of Appeal, and Court of Final Appeal. Practitioners, immigration law specialists, academics, students, and all others engaged or interested in immigration law and practice in Hong Kong will find this Handbook invaluable.

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Hong Kong Company Law Cases 2022 (2 Volume Set) / Barristers from Des Voeux  
Chambers  
Hong Kong: Wolters Kluwer (HK), 2023

2v.  
9789887935735  
\$ 660.00 (Set) / HB

The Most Comprehensive Company Law Casebook in the market Complements your PrimeLaw legal research.

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Butterworths Hong Kong Patent Law Handbook, 4th Edition / Sum Lam

Hong Kong: LexisNexis, 2023

600p.

9789888815104

\$ 250.00 / PB

Butterworths Hong Kong Patent Law Handbook – Fourth Edition includes important, new patent cases decided between 2019 and 2022 by the English courts and the courts of other common law jurisdictions such as Australia.

Importantly, it also takes into account the Hong Kong Patents Examination Guidelines (PEG) published by the Hong Kong Intellectual Property Department in 2020. Although PEG is not binding, it is the most important and practical reference that patent attorneys actually rely on.

The fourth edition further incorporates patent examination guidelines (as well as important case law considered by the guidelines) published by the World Intellectual Property Organisation (WIPO), Australia, Mainland China, New Zealand, Singapore and the United Kingdom.

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Private Equity in Hong Kong and China, 4th Edition / Simon Luk  
Hong Kong: Lexis Nexis, 2023

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9789888814671

\$ 330.00 / PB

Private Equity in Hong Kong and China - Fourth Edition includes two additional chapters: Fund formation in Hong Kong under the open-ended fund company ("OFC") and the limited partnership fund ("LPF") as tax incentives and regimes introduced by the Hong Kong government to encourage redomiciling overseas funds back to Hong Kong; and How the increase in global sanctions beginning in February 2022 as a result of the war between Russia and Ukraine is affecting private equity in China.

Private Equity in Hong Kong and China provides its readers with an overview of the main issues, common procedures, and documentation involved in each stage of a private equity investment. The term 'private equity' usually refers to an equity investment in private companies that are not quoted on a stock exchange. However, Hong Kong in recent years has also witnessed an increasing interest of private equity investors in participating in public companies' privatisation and PIPE (private investment in public equity). There are a number of investment strategies including but not limited to, venture capital, management and leveraged buyouts, management buy-ins, rescues, and expansion capital.

Venture capital is one of the most common strategies adopted in Hong Kong. Written by senior legal practitioners with established practice in this area, Private Equity in Hong Kong and China is structured with the aim to provide a step-by-step guide for an easy grasp of key concepts and to provide useful insight into an investment strategy. Sample transaction documents with explanatory notes are also included to assist readers to gain a thorough understanding in a systematic manner. This book is an indispensable guide for legal practitioners, business investors, students, or to anyone at all who deals with this area of law.

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### *Linguistics*

Cantonese: Since the 19th Century / Hung-nin Samuel Cheung  
Hong Kong: The Chinese University of Hong Kong, 2023

384p. 23cm.

9789882382535

\$ 55.00 / HB

ONE OF THE MOST SPOKEN DIALECTS in China, Southeast Asia, and globally, Cantonese was nevertheless deemed a local dialect enjoying little prestige among the intellectuals. Not much was recorded in official documents or gazetteers about the early history of Hong Kong. The Cantonese language and its origin remained much of a mystery until the mid-20th century when scholars started to accord it with increasing attention.

Thanks to dedicated efforts of early missionaries, pedagogues, and linguists, we can now trace back the evolution of modern Cantonese since the 19th century— how differences in sounds, words, and grammar distinguish the old from contemporary speech today.

In this book, Hung-nin Samuel Cheung, an acclaimed scholar on the study of Cantonese, offers profound insights to various firsthand century-old materials including language manuals, Bible translations, and maps of Hong Kong, with findings that will be useful for ongoing efforts to study the development of the Cantonese language that has gone through many rounds of incredible and, at times, dramatic changes during the last two hundred years.

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### *Philosophy*

Modern Chinese Counter-Enlightenment: Affect, Reason, and the Transcultural Lexicon / Peng Hsiao-yen

Hong Kong: Hong Kong University Press, 2023

240p.

9789888805693

\$ 50.00 / HB

In *Modern Chinese Counter-Enlightenment: Affect, Reason, and the Transcultural Lexicon*, Peng Hsiao-yen argues that a trend of Counter-Enlightenment had grown from the late Qing to the May Fourth era in the 1910s to the 1920s and continued to the 1940s. She demonstrates how Counter-Enlightenment was manifested with case studies such as Lu Xun's writings in the late 1900s, the Aesthetic Education movement from the 1910s to 1920s, and the Science and Lifeview debate in the 1920s. During the period, the life philosophy movement, highlighting the epistemic debate on affect and reason, is connected with its counterparts in Germany, France, and Japan. The movement had widespread and long-term impact on Chinese philosophy and literature. Using the transcultural lexicon as methodology, this book traces how the German term *Lebensanschauung* (lifeview), a key concept in Rudolf Eucken's life philosophy, constituted a global tide of Counter-Enlightenment that influenced the thought of leading Chinese intellectuals in the Republican era. Peng contends that Chinese intellectuals' transcultural connections with others in the philosophical pursuit of knowledge triggered China's self-transformation. She has successfully reconstructed the missing link in the Chinese theater of the worldwide dialectic of Enlightenment and Counter-Enlightenment.

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### *Politics*

The Politics of District Elections and Administration in Hong Kong / Sonny Shiu-Hing Lo (et al.)

Hong Kong: City University of Hong Kong Press, 2023

xxviii, 442p.

Includes Index; Bibliography

9789629376550

\$ 47.60 / PB

678gm.



The introduction of elections to district advisory bodies during the early 1980s was expected to improve the public delivery of services. However, as time passed, electoral politics led to party politics, elite fragmentation and political struggles. Politicization and hyper-politicization in the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region has brought about a fluctuating pattern between administrative recentralization, the Tsang administration's attempts at decentralization, and the post-2019 administrative recentralization. The purpose of this book is to study the intertwining relationship between district administration and electoral politics. It also examines the political transformation of District Councils after the promulgation of the National Security Law in late June 2020. Written by experts in the field, this book is a good reference source for readers interested in district elections, politics, and administration in Hong Kong.

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### *Sociology*

Social Inclusion: Theoretical Development and Cross-Cultural Measurements / (Eds) Kara Chan & Peter J. Huxley

Hong Kong: City University of Hong Kong Press, 2022  
xxiv, 302p.

Includes Index

9789629376420

Mediated Health Series

\$ 48.00 / PB

600gm.

Social inclusion is a key outcome measure for health intervention and social services initiatives. However, there is currently no universal global measure of social inclusion with proven validity and reliability. This prevents accurate cross-cultural comparisons of the impact of social services and policy changes. To fill this void, the authors describe the theory and development of the Social and Community Opportunities Profile (SCOPE) developed in the United Kingdom as a measure of social inclusion. The SCOPE has since been translated and applied in Hong Kong, Poland, and Brazil with proven success in providing empirical evidence of social inclusion among the general public, persons with mental health issues, and immigrants. The first of its kind, this book presents and compares these studies, moving forward social inclusion research and encouraging adoption in academia and by social service providers. The conclusions will also enlighten policy makers at national, regional, and local levels responsible for designing strategies to improve the well-being of disadvantaged groups in society.

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Hong Kong Public and Squatter Housing: Geopolitics and Informality, 1963–1985 / Alan Smart and Fung Chi Keung Charles

Hong Kong: Hong Kong University Press, 2023

340p.

9789888805648

\$ 50.00 / PB

In Hong Kong Public and Squatter Housing: Geopolitics and Informality, 1963–1985, Alan Smart and Fung Chi Keung Charles trace two decades of development of squatting in Hong Kong. The authors reconstruct the government policy on squatting through both ethnographic and archival research. The book sheds new light on the consequences of various attempts to control encroachment on scarce urban space. It argues that intersecting

policy agendas resulted in decisions that were often not desired, but which emerged as practical solutions from prior failures. The authors address the challenges of explaining confidential policy decisions and offer new approaches applicable in other contexts. Overall, Smart and Fung make an important contribution to the understanding of how public housing and squatting interacted in influential ways that have been poorly understood and offer new perspectives on the challenges of urban governance and housing problems.

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The 70's Biweekly: Social Activism and Alternative Cultural Production in 1970s Hong Kong / Edited by Lu Pan

Hong Kong: Hong Kong University Press, 2023

296p.

9789888805709

\$ 41.75 / PB

Taking The 70's Biweekly—an independent youth publication in the 1970s' Hong Kong—as the main thread, this edited volume investigates an unexplored trajectory of Hong Kong's cultural and art production in the 1970s that represents the making of a dissent space by independent press and activist groups in the city. The 70's Biweekly stands out from many other independent magazines with its unique blending of radical political theories, social activism, avant-garde art, and local art and literature creations. By taking the magazine as a nodal point of social and cultural activism from and around which actions, debates, community, and artistic practices are formed and generated, this book fills gaps in studies on how young Hong Kong cultural producers carved out an alternative creative and political space to speak against established authorities.

Split into three parts, this book provides readers with a panoramic view of the political and cultural activism in Hong Kong during the 1970s, writings on art and film, and crucially, interviews with former founders and contributors that reflect on how their participation led them to engage ideologically with their activism and community that extended far beyond the temporal and physical bounds of the magazine.

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