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Anthropology

The Khmer Lands of Vietnam: Environment, Cosmology and Sovereignty/Philip Taylor
Singapore: NUS Press, 2014
316p.; 23cm.
9789971697785
\$ 32.00 / PB
492g.

The indigenous people of Southern Vietnam, known as the Khmer Krom, occupy territory over which Vietnam and Cambodia have competing claims. Regarded with ambivalence and suspicion by nationalists in both countries, these in-between people have their own claims on the place where they live and a unique perspective on history and sovereignty in their heavily contested homelands. To cope with wars, environmental re-engineering and nation-building, the Khmer Krom have selectively engaged with the outside world in addition to drawing upon local resources and self-help networks. This groundbreaking book reveals the sophisticated ecological repertoire deployed by the Khmer Krom to deal with a complex river delta, and charts their diverse adaptations to a changing environment. In addition, it provides an ethnographically grounded exposition of Khmer mythic thought that shows how the Khmer Krom position themselves within a landscape imbued with life-sustaining potential, magical sovereign power and cosmological significance. Offering a new environmental history of the Mekong River delta this book is the first to explore Southern Vietnam through the eyes of its indigenous Khmer residents.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=162189>

Architecture

Outside In : Designs by Pentago / Brandon Lieu
Singapore : Marshall Cavendish, 2014
208p. 27cm.
9789814484114
\$ 35.00 / HB

Outside In: Design by Pentago is a stunning coffee-table book comprising the remarkable portfolio of modern tropical architectural and landscaping projects from the internationally-renowned firm, Pentago.

This book introduces readers to Pentago's unique 'Outside In' philosophy of design - breaking through the walls of the inside and bringing the outside in. It is about creating a seamless transit space between the landscape and the architecture.

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Economics/Development Studies

The Political Economy of the Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership (RCEP) and the Trans-Pacific Partnership (TPP) Agreements: An ASEAN Perspective / Sanchita Basu Das
Singapore : Institute of Southeast Asian Studies, 2014
57p.
Trends in Southeast Asia 2014 # 02
9789814519762
\$ 9.90 / PB

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=162191>

Fields of Desire: Poverty and Policy in Laos / Holly High
Singapore : NUS Press, 2014
232p.
9789971697709
\$ 34.00 / PB

In this important new book, High argues that poverty reduction policies are formulated and implemented in fields of desire. Drawing on psychoanalytic understandings of desire, she shows that such programs circulate around the question of what is lacking. Far from rational responses to measures of need, then, the politics of poverty are unconscious, culturally expressed, mutually contradictory, and sometimes contrary to self-interests.

Based on long-term fieldwork in a Lao village that has been the subject of multiple poverty reduction and development programs, High's account looks at implementation on the ground. While these efforts were laudable in their aims

of reducing poverty, they often failed to achieve their objectives. Local people received them with suspicion and disillusionment. Nevertheless, poverty reduction policies continued to be renewed by planners and even desired locally. High relates this to the force of aspirations among rural Lao, ambivalent understandings of power and "post-rebellious" moment in contemporary Laos.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=161436>

Flexible Implementation: A Key to Asia's Transformation / Luke Simon Jordan and Katerina Koinis

Honolulu, HI : East-West Center, 2014

xvi, 70p.

9780866382489

\$ 11.00 / PB

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=162192>

ASEAN Centrality and the ASEAN-US Economic Relationship / Peter A Petri and Michael G Plummer

Honolulu, HI : East-West Center, 2014

xiv, 77p.

9780866382465

\$ 11.00 / PB

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=162193>

General

Think Like A Sage, Work Like A Fool, Act Like A Criminal

/ Mark Phooi; Jeannie Chia

Singapore : [Mark Phooi], 2013

279p.

9789810751678

\$ 12.95 / PB

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=162194>

History

Youth on Trial: Gan Xiang Ying Zhi Min Tong Zhi Zhe Shuo Bu: " Wu Yi San" Shi

Jian 60 Zhou Nian Ji Nian/(Ed.) Chan Wai Han

Singapore: Function 8 Ltd., 2014

246p.; 23cm.

9789810903725

Bilingual English-Chinese

\$ 22.00 / PB

350g.

Youth on Trial points to a significant event on May 13, 1954 when youthful idealism was tested. In the surge of anti-Colonial Sentiments, Young students went through a baptism of fire.

Two Social activist groups, Function 8 and Maruah, commemorate the exact 60th anniversary of the May 13 incident with a lunch to honor the people who participated in our struggle for independence, This publication collates some of the Significant articles, photographs and historical materials that record that important era.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=162195>

Beyond the Tea Dance: The Story of Singapore Sixties Music, Volume two/ Joseph C. Pereira

Singapore: Select Publishing, 2014

274p.; 23cm.

9789810792848

1. Popular Music-Singapore-1961-1970.

2. Bands (Music) -Singapore-20th Century.

\$ 28.50 / PB

554g.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=162196>

The Making of NTU - My Story / Cham Tao Soon

Singapore : Straits Times Press, 2014

180p.

9789814342711

\$ 26.00 / HB

800gm.

From its origins in the former Nanyang Technological Institute (NTI), which was set up in 1981 to provide facilities for tertiary education and research in various branches of engineering and technology, Nanyang Technological University (NTU) has undertaken an extraordinary journey of excellence to become one of the world's top young universities. In The Making of NTU, Cham Tao Soon gives a firsthand account of the 22 years he spent in building up NTI, which was later inaugurated as NTU. It is a remarkable story of how a very small team of dedicated people were put to the test in starting a university from scratch. Searching the world for teaching staff with the right credentials, it was impressed upon Cham more than once that they were "indeed a small start-up in the large engineering universe". Yet, in just four years, NTI was singled out as one of the best engineering institutions in the world by the Commonwealth Engineering Council. How they did this is Cham Tao Soon's story.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=162197>

Naked Ape, Naked Boss : Bernard Harrison : The Man Behind the Singapore Zoo
/ Kirpal Singh
Singapore : Marshall Cavendish, 2014
200p.; 20cm.
9789814351720
\$ 24.00 / PB
<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=162198>

Within Changi's Walls : A Record of Civilian Internment in World War II /
George Peet
Singapore : Marshall Cavendish, 2014
272p.; 22cm.
9789814328852
\$ 26.00 / PB
<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=131568>

Law

Mobilizing Gay Singapore: Rights and Resistance in an Authoritarian State /
Lynette J.Chua
Singapore: NUS Press, 2014
215p.; 23cm.
9789971698157
1. Gay rights-Singapore.
2. Gays- Political Activity-Singapore.
3. Gay Liberation Movement-Singapore
\$ 29.50
350g.
<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=162199>

Personal Property Law/Tan Yock Lin
Singapore: Singapore Academy of Law, 2014
1363p.; 24cm.
9789810868010
Law Practice Series
\$ 150.00 / PB
1790g.
<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=162200>

Literature

Catching Connections: Poems, Proexcursions, Crucifictions/Anne Lee Tzu Pheng

Singapore: Landmark Books Pte Ltd., 2012

96p.; 20cm

9789814189422

\$ 13.00 / PB

212g.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=157408>

Buy my beloved Country/ Lee Chiu San

Singapore: Ethos Books, 2014

369p.; 20cm.

9789810795566

1. Geopolitics - Fiction

2. Nationalism - Fiction

3. Singapore -- Fiction

\$ 18.00 / PB

368g.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=162201>

Iban Dream / Golda Mowe

Singapore : Monsoon Books, 2013

288p.

9789814423120

\$ 14.00 / PB

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=162202>

A Certain Exposure / Jolene Tan

Singapore: Epigram Books, 2014

224p. ; 20cm.

9789810788285

\$ 16.00/ PB

Satirical and sympathetic, political and personal, *A Certain Exposure* traces the adolescences of twin brothers Andrew and Brian, culminating in the explosive events leading to Andrew's tragic death. This is a classic coming-of-age tale doubled across two vividly individual brothers, who struggle to navigate a complex tangle of relationships and coercive forces, cinematically interwoven with the yearnings and fears of an ensemble of mothers, fathers, cousins, friends and lovers both false and true. This wide-ranging debut beautifully presents the resonances and the ghosts of lost possibilities, as well as a gripping story of hope and betrayal.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=162203>

Politics/International Relations

Debating Democratization in Myanmar/(Ed.) Nick Cheesman, Nicholas Farrelly and Trevor Wilson

Singapore: ISEAS Publishing, 2014

381p.; 23cm.

9789814519137(Soft Cover)

1. Burma-Politics and Government-21st Century-Congresses.
2. Democratization- Burma- Congresses.
3. Burma- Economic Policy - Congresses.
4. Burma- Armed Forces - Congresses.
5. Social Conflict- Burma - Congresses.

\$ 36.00 / PB

532g.

Papers originally presented to 2013 Myanmar/Burma Updated Conference held at the Australian National University, Canberra, from 15 to 16 May 2013.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=162204>

Debating Democratization in Myanmar/(Ed.) Nick Cheesman, Nicholas Farrelly and Trevor Wilson

Singapore: ISEAS Publishing, 2014

381p.; 23cm.

9789814519144(Hard Cover)

1. Burma-Politics and Government-21st Century-Congresses.
2. Democratization- Burma- Congresses.
3. Burma- Economic Policy - Congresses.
4. Burma- Armed Forces - Congresses.
5. Social Conflict- Burma - Congresses.

\$ 62.00 / HB

950gm.

Papers originally presented to 2013 Myanmar/Burma Updated Conference held at the Australian National University, Canberra, from 15 to 16 May 2013.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=162205>

Maritime Security and Piracy: Common Challenges and Responses from Europe and Asia/ (Ed.) Wilhelm Hofmeister and Patrick Rueppel

Singapore: Konrad-Adenauer Stiftung and European Union, 2014

164p.; 26cm.

9789810781026

1. Sea Control.
2. Piracy.
3. Piracy-Asia.

\$ 40.00 / PB

335gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=162206>

Southeast Asian Affairs 2014 / (Ed) Daljit Singh
Singapore : Institute of Southeast Asian Studies, 2014
372p.
9789814517959
\$ 64.90 / HB
<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=162207>

Southeast Asian Affairs 2014 / (Ed) Daljit Singh
Singapore : Institute of Southeast Asian Studies, 2014
372p.
9789814517942
\$ 38.90 / PB
<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=162208>

Sociology

Mental Healthcare of the Elderly: a Primer for Health Professionals/(Ed.) Kua Ee Heok, Rathi Mahendran
Singapore: Write Editions, 2014
162p.; 21cm.
9789810784171
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2. Older people-Mental health.
3. Mental Illness.
\$ 26.00 / PB
244g.
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Migration Revolution: Philippine Nationhood and Class Relations in a Globalized Age/Filomeno V.Aguilar
Singapore: NUS Press; Kyoto Japan: Kyoto University Press, 2014
293p.; 23cm.
9789971697815
Kyoto Cseas Series on Asian Studies 11
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Teenage Rebels : Startling Stories of Cults, Drugs and Local Youths / Kaiwen Leong

Singapore : Marshall Cavendish, 2014

320p.; 20cm.

9789814516471

\$ 20.00 / PB

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=162212>

Pleasure Factory : Horrors of the Singapore Flesh Trade / Kaiwen Leong

Singapore : Marshall Cavendish, 2014

272p.; 20cm.

9789814408295

\$ 20.00 / PB

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=162213>

Foreigners behaving Badly : Committing Murder, Hooliganism and Other Crimes in Singapore / Balvinder Sandhu

Singapore : Marshall Cavendish, 2014

210p.; 20cm.

9789814484039

\$ 16.50 / PB

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=162214>

Financial Fraud : Money Scams, Embezzlement and Swindles in Singapore / BALVINDER SANDHU

Singapore : Marshall Cavendish, 2014

176p.; 20cm.

9789814398398

\$ 16.50 / PB

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=162215>

All in the Name of Lust : Extra-Marital Affairs, Amorous Scandals and Illicit Sex in Singapore / Patricia Ng

Singapore : Marshall Cavendish, 2014

184p.; 20cm.

9789814516501

\$ 16.50 / PB

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=162216>
