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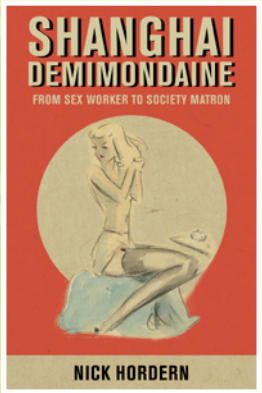

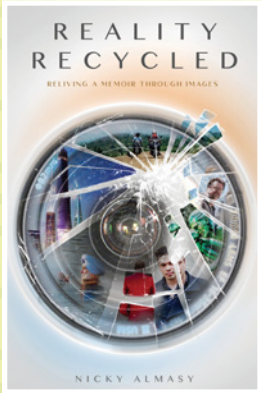

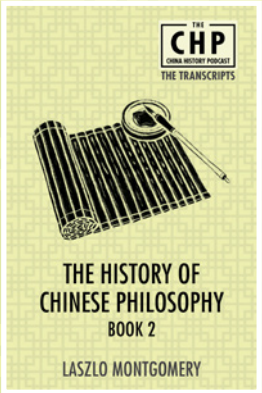

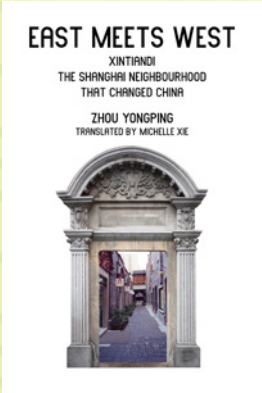

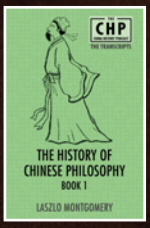

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Stuck In Her Head

Kylie Wang & Liana Tang

Trade Paper: 978-988-8769-98-8
Publication Date: October 24, 2023
Category:
FICTION
Price:
US$19.99/HK$180/RMB 180

15-year-old Emma Chan is an aspiring musician with her eyes aimed at the stars. Sure, she might not have won any notable competitions, but she isn't "bad" by any means—unless you've met her easygoing and charming best friend, Naomi Lin, who seems to have the unique ability to accelerate Emma's heartbeat.

On the surface, Naomi has her life together. Outside of being dubbed a child musical prodigy, she's just another 15-year-old who likes coding, spending time with her friends, and reading celebrity gossip. But deep down, she longs to escape her life of expectations and build one that she truly desires, even if she doesn't know what that means yet.

When the two friends team up to compete in a coding contest hosted by their childhood idol, their seven years of friendship is jeopardised by deepening feelings, desperately hidden secrets, and the pressure of growing up. Emma and Naomi will have to adapt to the changing shape of their relationship, even if it means realising that life can be so much more complicated than they imagined.

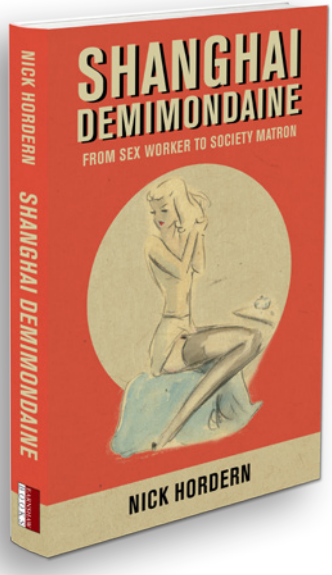
"Stuck in Her Head perfectly captures both the wonder and the agony of being a teenager in bustling, stifling Hong Kong. A pleasure to read, and a remarkable achievement."

– *Jane Lo, author of* All I Ever Wanted

Shanghai Demimondaine

Nick Hordern

Shanghai in 1930s had a booming prostitution industry which gave the city a certain reputation across Asia. The young Australian Lorraine Murray was for several years one of its stars, but with the help of her businessman patron Edmund Toeg and the American author Emily Hahn—the 'China Coast Correspondent for the New Yorker'—Lorraine finally put the sex industry behind her and struck out on a new path. Against the backdrop of the Japanese onslaught on China, she went back to wartime Australia, where she dipped into the murky world of counter-intelligence, and then went on to post war England, where she was reunited with both Emily and Edmund. Shanghai Demimondaine is a story of how her friendship with Emily helped Lorraine turn her life around—and how the feisty writer mined their friendship for her bestselling books.



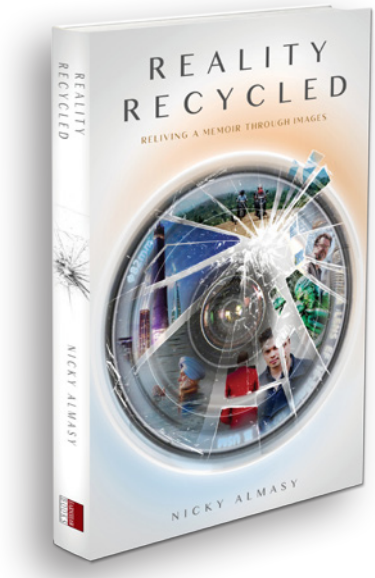
Trade Paper: 978-988-8843-04-6
Publication Date: October 17, 2023
Category:
BIOGRAPHY & AUTOBIOGRAPHY
Price:
US$19.99/HK$180/RMB 180

"This most intriguing book vividly evokes the glamour of Shanghai in its last period as one of the world's great cosmopolitan cities, while skilfully drawing together the threads of a complex and fascinating human story involving Japan China and the wider world."

— *John Minford, Emeritus Professor of Chinese, ANU*

Reality Recycled

Nicky Almasy



Nicky Almasy's memoir Recycling Reality told the story of this Hungarian photographer's adventures across Asia and elsewhere through words, and Reality Recycled adds color to that story by chronicling Nicky's travels and most important projects via a collection of photographs accumulated over two decades.

The images here take us from youth in London and tragedy in Mexico to many adventures in Asia, including several years documenting the Shanghai Tower with architect Marshall Strabala, malaria in Cambodia, and a cornucopia of images captured through Nicky's discerning lens.

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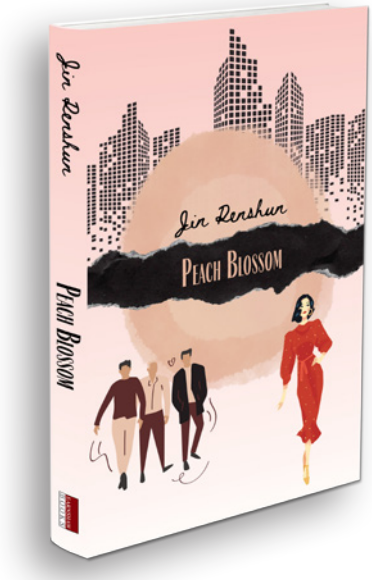
Publication Date: August 15, 2023
Category:
PHOTOGRAPHY
Price:
US$23.99/HK$220/RMB 220

Peach Blossom

Jin Renshun

Love and loss, revenge and regret—Peach Blossom, a best-seller in China, presents stories from the underbelly of modern urban China by acclaimed Chinese author Jin Renshun (金仁顺) A girl's vivacious mother seduces her boyfriends... A man is obsessed with a woman whose identity he can't quite figure out... a woman has to put up with the girlfriend of her father as he slips away from life. The characters in Peach Blossom are adrift and rudderless, and the stories encompass both humor and horror along with a gritty sense of realism.



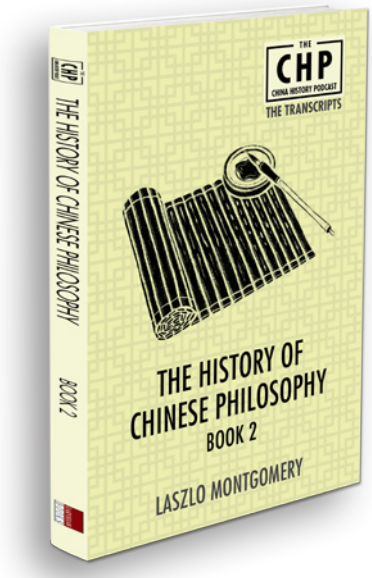
Trade Paper: 978-988-8843-13-8
Publication Date: August 29, 2023
Category: FICTION
Price:
US$19.99/HK$180/RMB 180

"Jin Renshun's words cleanse and purify, they are like the cold light of the moon. Her hard-edged expressive style vividly reveals the fragility and confusion of youth"

— *Xie Youshun, Vice-President Chinese Novel Society*

The History of Chinese Philosophy

Laszlo Montgomery



Trade Paper: 978-988-8843-18-3
Publication Date: August 22, 2023
Category:
HISTORY / Asia / China
Price:
US$19.99/HK$180/RMB 180

This volume covers the ancient history of the Book of Changes, Laozi, Zhuangzi, Daoism, and the philosophies of the great Song and Ming Neo-Confucianists.

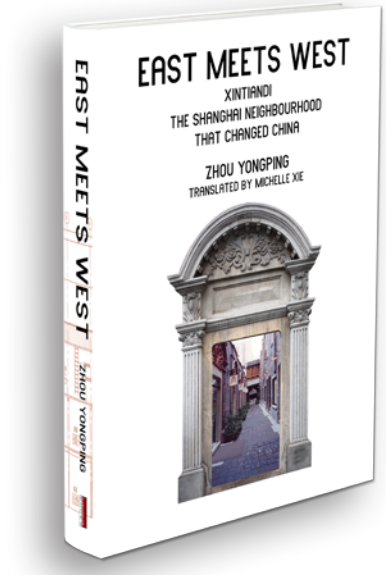
Laszlo Montgomery's award-winning podcasts on Chinese history have swept the world and gained many thousands of fans, including people who want to learn about Chinese history and those who want to improve their English. Each book in this series contains transcripts from Laszlo's Podcasts for you to follow as you listen.

Delivered in Laszlo's easy-to-understand style, each installment provides stories and information from China's long and rich history and an opportunity to improve English comprehension through fascinating content.

East Meets West

Zhou Yongping

Shanghai's Xintiandi is China's first world-class landmark urban entertainment and cultural destination and East Meets West tells the story of how it came into being, showing how urban renewal is not only about constructing architectural spaces but also about deciphering the history and evolution of local culture. Author Zhou Yongping was one of the team that made Xintiandi possible, successfully balancing the requirements of the city government, local residents, the Shui On property group, future tenants and the millions of people who have visited the area every year since it opened in 2001. In 2016, the American Forbes magazine selected 'Global Top 20 Cultural Landmarks,' and Shanghai Xintiandi was among them.



Trade Paper: 978-988-8843-11-4
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ARCHITECTURE
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"As one of the earliest successful cases of urban renewal in Shanghai, Xintiandi has pioneered an approach of restoring Shikumen alleys, created a vibrant urban lifestyle and become a new city landmark. This book takes readers on a fascinating, wide-ranging and thought-provoking tour of the historical, economic, cultural, artistic and even futuristic story of Xintiandi."

– Zheng Shiling, Chinese architecture expert, academician of the Chinese Academy of Sciences

"Xintiandi was the first winner of the ULI Global Award for Excellence from Mainland China in 2003 for its contribution in "embracing the city's past while melding it with the commercial realities of modern urban living." The author presents a compelling account that deftly weaves together the important history of Xintiandi's development."

– Albert Chan, former Chairman of the ULI Mainland China Council

Trade Paper:
978-988-8769-69-8
Publication Date:
January 17, 2023
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BIOGRAPHY / AUTOBIOGRAPHY
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Recycling Reality

Nicky Almasy

An ill-fated sojourn through Tijuana, Mexico, on the way to New York City results in a sharp turn towards Asia and a rollercoaster journey through the world of photojournalism. Nicky Almasy recounts his fascinating story, including a decade in China documenting Shanghai's jazz scene and exploring the malaria-stricken hinterlands of Cambodia.

Recycling Reality explores the pleasures and the pitfalls of frenetically trying to capture the world through a camera lens, and the debilitating effect of travelling 150,000 km annually, while telling a myrad stories of culture, art and heritage across Southeast Asia. The book also examines whether travel is the ultimate escape or an invitation to burn-out, and whether it is possible to detach ourselves from our own past.

All I Ever Wanted

Jane Lo

Norah, a vivacious ESL teacher in Hong Kong, deftly straddles two worlds: she is Chinese, but sees life through a western lens because of her upbringing. These two worlds collide when she meets sweet, chivalrous Ben and marries him against her parents' wishes. Suddenly a wife and daughter-in-law in a traditional Chinese household, Norah is torn between giving in to her mother-in-law's senseless demands and standing up for herself and the way she wants to raise their baby, Joey. Ben's mother continues to be critical and disapproving, and his wife quietly discontented. But when Ben's mother unwittingly puts baby Joey's life in danger, Norah and Ben realize they cannot go on like this. How much are they willing to give up for their happily ever after—or is a happy ending firmly out of reach for a couple like them?

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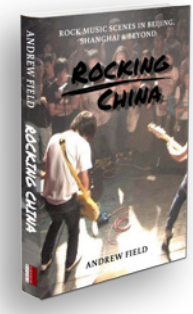
Rocking China

Andrew David Field



Rocking China traces the rise and spread of indie rock scenes from the rock capital of Beijing to Shanghai and many other cities in China. Through interviews with key players in these scenes over a period of twenty years, Andrew Field explores the meanings of rock music in Chinese society as well as the many challenges and obstacles to the development of indie rock scenes in China. Highlights include a journey by rail into the heartlands of China with the hardcore rock band SUBS and legendary "rock godfather" Cui Jian. Along the journey to document the live rock music scenes of Beijing, he discovered an emerging world of musicians, bands, clubs, festivals, promoters, record shop and record label owners that were pushing the envelope of indie music for China and the world.

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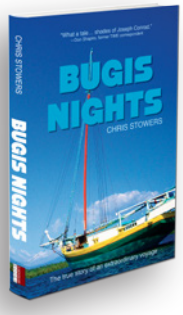
Bugis Nights

Chris Stowers



A young Brit runs into a bunch of French adventurers on a remote Indonesian island, and gets swept up in their madcap scheme to buy a traditional wooden sailing ship from a people famed as pirates and spice traders—the Bugis—and sail it to distant Singapore.

Bugis Nights harks back to a Golden Age of adventurous travel, and a young man's quest to become a photographer. Be magically transported between the sun-drenched islands and stormy crests of the Java Sea, the high roads of the Himalayas, and the promise of love, fostered in a Tibetan sandstorm.

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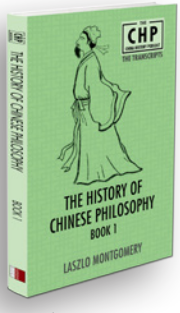

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Each Podcast provides stories and information from China's long and rich history, delivered in Laszlo's easy-to-understand style. For Chinese people learning English this is especially useful because you probably know the material already!

Part 1 looks at a fascinating topic in China's long imperial history – the role of eunuchs in the running the Imperial palace, the heart of the empire for thousands of years.

China 1980

Mike Emery

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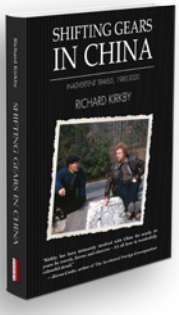
A photographer on an American cruise ship visited ports along China's coast in 1980 when the country was still largely stuck in Maoist isolation, and instead of photographing the passengers, he chose to take pictures of the locals he met instead. The result is a unique and precious window into a China that has been swept away in the development and modernization which has transformed its society and people in the decades since.

Photographer Mike Emery largely focused on faces, but so many elements of this collection of more than 200 images are worthy of consideration. The street scenes, the buildings, the clothes and hair styles—all redolent of an era of Chinese history which was the turning point between a poverty-stricken past and a high-tech future.

Shifting Gears in China

Richard Kirkby

Following on from four years in China during the final throes of the Cultural Revolution—told in Intruder in Mao's Realm—after 1980, Richard Kirkby became a serial visitor to the country. This, his second volume of China tales, sees him appearing in a variety of guises: academic researcher, thwarted business go-between, antiques hunter, earnest peace envoy. His wide-eyed travels also take him to Tibetan lands in the far interior of this ever-transforming nation.



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Out of Ireland

Mark O'Neill

One evening at dinner when Mark O'Neill was in his early teens, his father suddenly dropped his English accent and spoke for the first time in his original and long hidden Irish voice. It was the start of an Irish journey for Mark that has lasted a lifetime, taking him to Scotland, to Belfast as a reporter during the Troubles in the 1970s, and from 1978, to East Asia where he continued his search for the meaning of Irishness.

In Hong Kong, China and Japan, Mark discovered deep Irish footprints—missionaries, doctors, judges, lawyers, authors and jockeys. Two Irish nuns cured Hong Kong of tuberculosis, an Irish bandmaster wrote the music for Japan's national anthem and a nun taught English and Gaelic to the future Empress Michiko of Japan. Mark followed the footsteps of his grandfather, a Presbyterian missionary who lived in a town in northeast China for 45 years.

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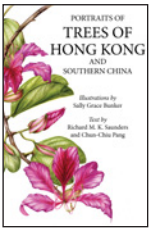

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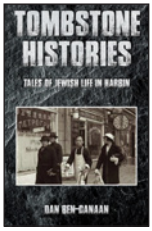

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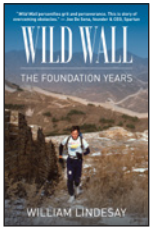

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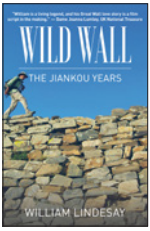

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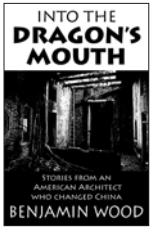

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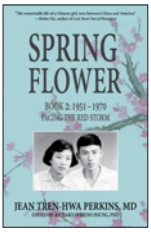

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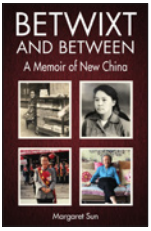

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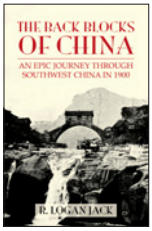

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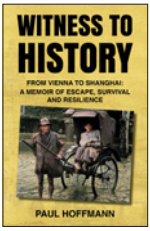

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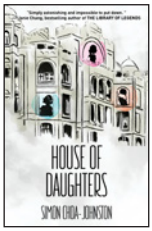

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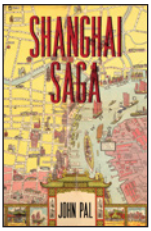

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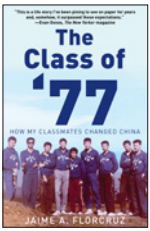

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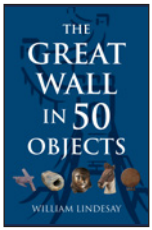

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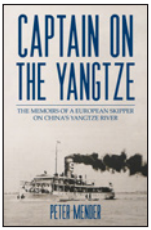

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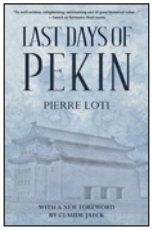

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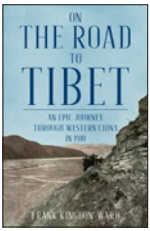

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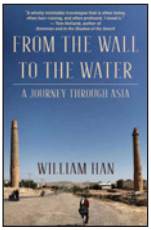

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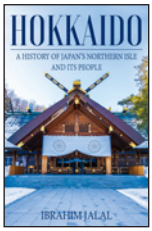

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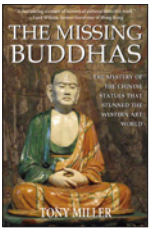

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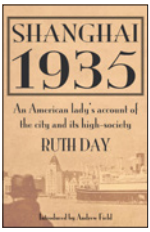

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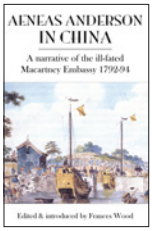

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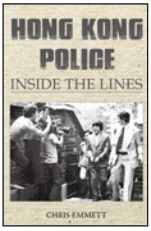

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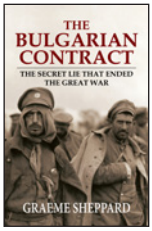

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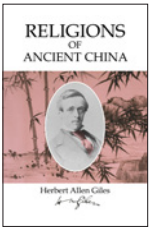

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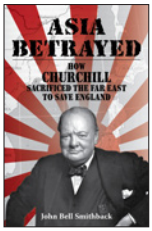

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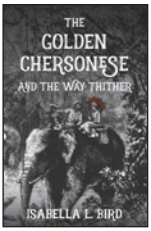

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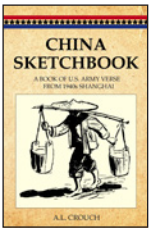

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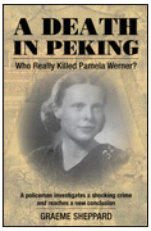

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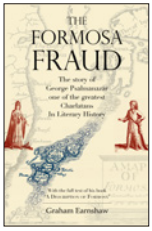

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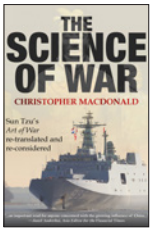

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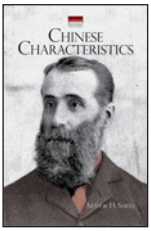

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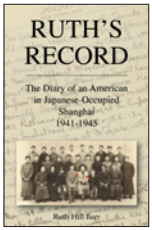

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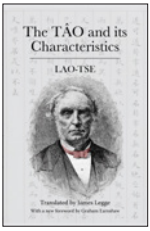

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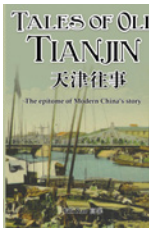

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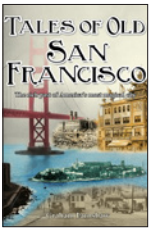

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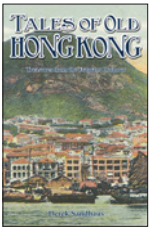

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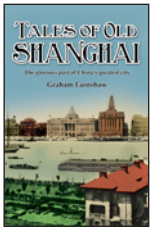

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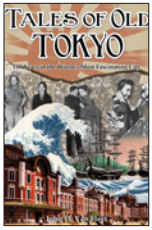

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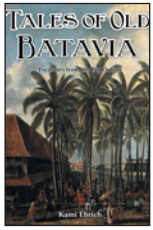

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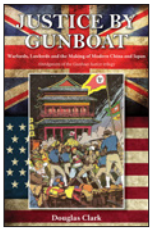

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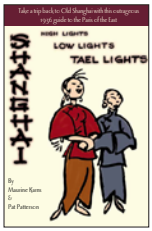

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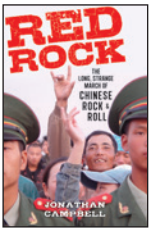

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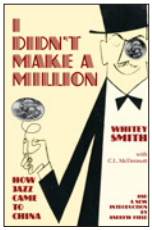

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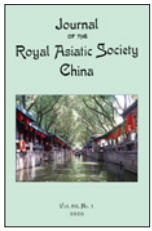

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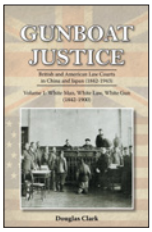

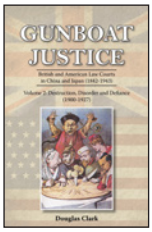

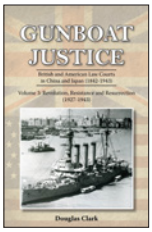

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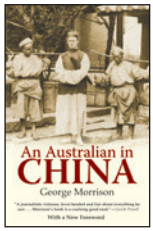

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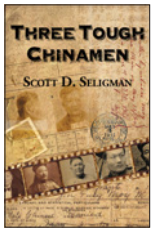

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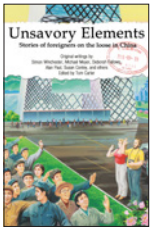

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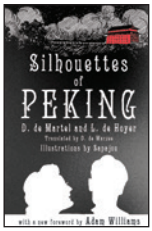

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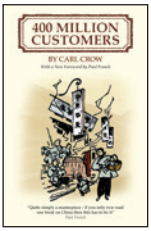

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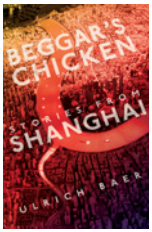

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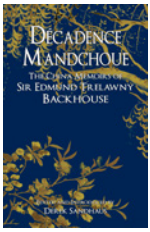

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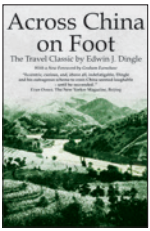

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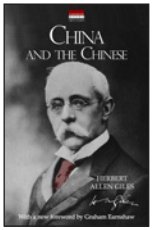

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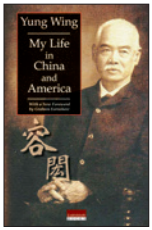

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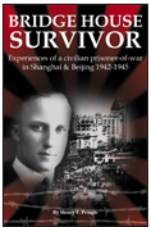

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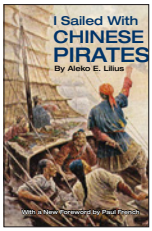

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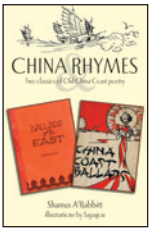

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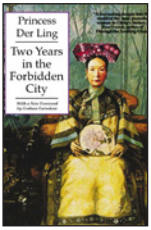

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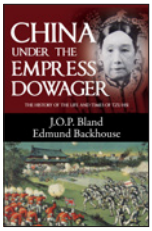

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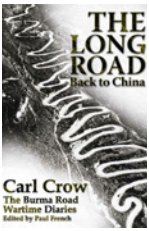

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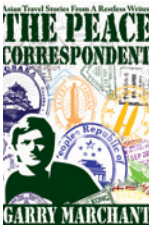

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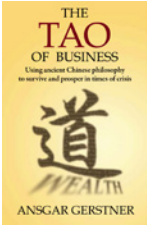

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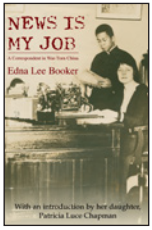

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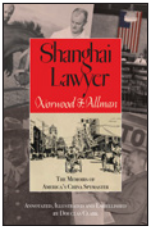

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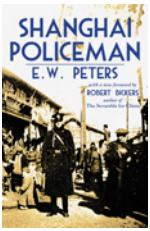

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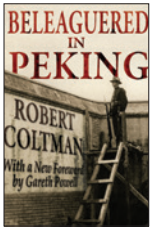

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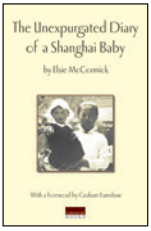

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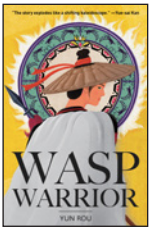

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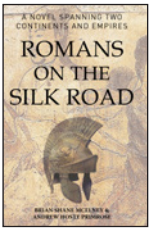

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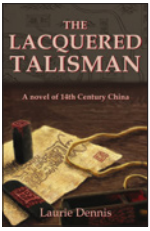

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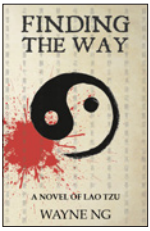

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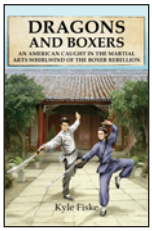

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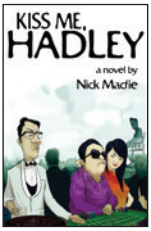

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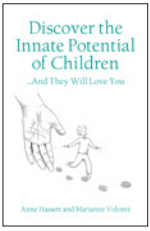

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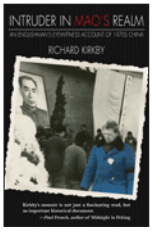

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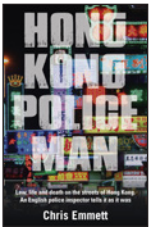

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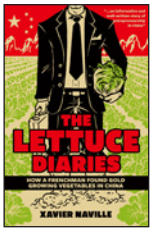

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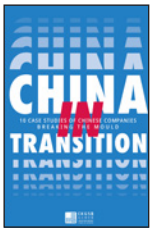

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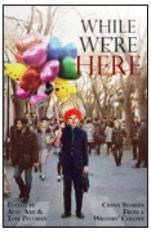

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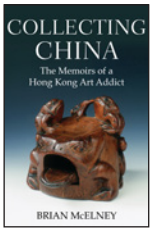

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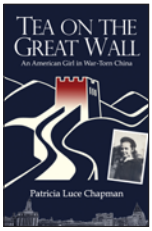

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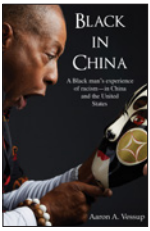

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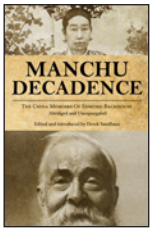

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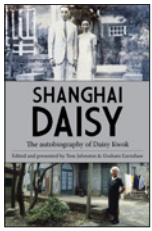

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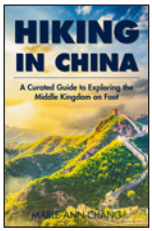

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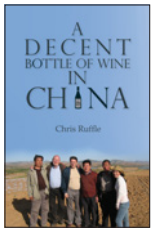

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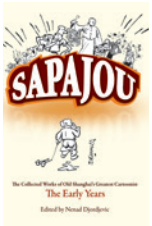

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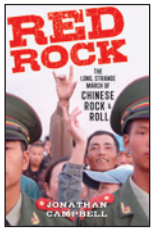

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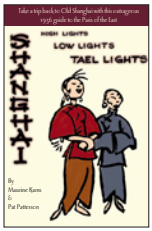

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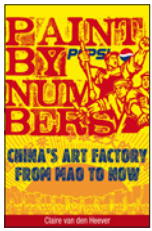

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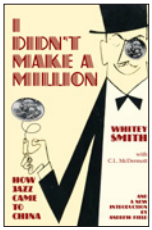

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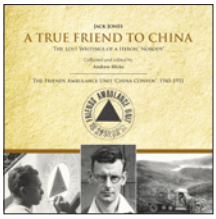

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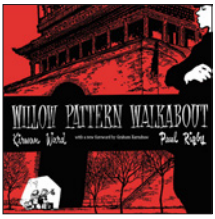

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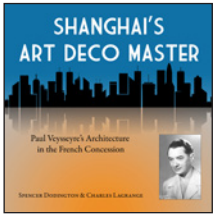

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