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*Rethinking the Asian
American Movement*

Cambridge University
Press

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of Taylor & Francis, an
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National Abjection

Chin Music Press
Analyzing literary texts, plays, films and photographs within a transatlantic framework, this volume explores the inseparable and mutually influential relationship between different forms of national identity in Great Britain and the United States and the construction of masculinity in each country. The contributors take up issues related to how certain kinds of nationally specific masculine identifications are produced, how these change over time, and how literature and other forms of cultural representation eventually question and deconstruct their own myths of masculinity. Focusing

on the period from the end of World War II to the 1980s, the essays each take up a topic with particular cultural and historical resonance, whether it is hypermasculinity in early cold war films; the articulation of male anxieties in plays by Arthur Miller, David Mamet and Sam Shepard; the evolution of photographic depictions of masculinity from the 1960s to the 1980s; or the representations of masculinity in the fiction of American and British writers such as Patricia Highsmith, Richard Yates, John Braine, Martin Amis, Evan S. Connell, James Dickey, John Berger, Philip Roth, Frank Chin, and Maxine Hong Kingston. The editors and contributors make a case for the

importance of understanding the larger context for the emergence of more pluralistic, culturally differentiated and ultimately transnational masculinities, arguing that it is possible to conceptualize and emphasize difference and commonality simultaneously.

Chinese American Masculinities

University of Hawaii Press

Stories describe the experiences of Japanese American women living in the country and in the city

Chinese American

Voices Temple

University Press

In her groundbreaking book, *Performing Asian America*, Josephine Lee meets a formidable challenge. How does one go about

describing and analyzing the cultural production of Asian Americans, a group just beginning to make their complex political and social positions more visible? Lee approaches her specific subject, how Asian American playwrights depict race and ethnicity onstage, from the perspective that theatrical performances and dramatic texts can tell us much about these contemporary dynamics.

A Study Guide for

Frank Chin's "The

Chickencoop

Chinaman" ABC-CLIO

Porcelain is an

examination of a young

man's crime of

passion. Triply scorned

- as an Asian, a

homosexual, and now

a murderer - nineteen-

year-old John Lee has

confessed to shooting his lover in a public lavatory in London. Porcelain dissects the crime through a prism of conflicting voices: newscasts, flashbacks, and John's recollections to a prison psychiatrist. *A Language of Their Own* is a lyrical and dramatic meditation on the nature of desire and sexuality as four men - three Asian and one white - come together and drift apart in a series of interconnecting stories.

The Unwanted

Routledge

A history of the Japanese American saga, this text details the lives of first and second generation Japanese Americans before World War II with images drawn from interviews, songs, novels and newspaper articles.

Charlie Chan: The Untold Story of the Honorable Detective and His Rendezvous with American

History Rowman & Littlefield

Presents a reference on Asian-American literature providing profiles of Asian-American writers and their works.

Performing Asian

America University of Washington Press (Applause Books).

Includes: Amy Hill:

Tokyo Bound ; David

Henry Hwang: *Bondage*

; Velina Hasu Houston:

As Sometimes in a

Dead Man's Face ;

Lane Nishikawa and

Victor Talmadge: *The*

Gate of Heaven ;

Dwight Okita: *The*

Rainy Season .

Aiiieeeee! Feminist

Press at CUNY

Provides brief

biographies of business

executives,
ambassadors, athletes,
writers, lawyers,
journalists, activists,
politicians, scientists,
artists, and educators

The Confessions of a Number One Son

Gale Research
International, Limited
Read about the movie,
Americaneese, based on
Shawn Wong's book,
at:

<http://www.americanesthemovie.com>

No-no Boy Grove Press
Driven by his dream to
write and stage an epic
stage production of
interwoven Chinese
novelsWittman Ah
Sing, a Chinese-
American hippie in the
late '60s.

The Confessions of a Number One Son W.

W. Norton & Company
Follows two
generations of the
Kwan family, weaving
mythology and humor

into the lives of a
Chinese American
family and their life in
Hollywood's movie
business

Types of News

Writing Modern
Language Assn of
Amer

A biography of
cinematic hero Charlie
Chan, based on the
real-life Chinese
immigrant detective,
Chang Apana, whose
bravado inspired
mystery writer Earl
Derr Biggers to depict
his fictional sleuth as a
wisecracking and wise
investigator rather
than a stereotype.
Reprint. A best-selling
book. 15,000 first
printing.

Tripmaster Monkey
University of Hawaii
Press

Asian American plays
provide an opportunity
to think about how
racial issues are

engaged through theatrical performance physical contact, bodily labor, and fleshly desire as well as through the more standard elements of plot, setting, characterization, staging, music, and action. Asian American Plays for a New Generation showcases seven exciting new plays that dramatize timely themes that are familiar to Asian Americans. The works variously address immigration, racism, stereotyping, identity, generational tensions, assimilation, and upward mobility as well as post-9/11 paranoia, racial isolation, and adoptee experiences. Each of these works engages directly and actively with Asian American themes through performance

to provide an important starting point for building relationships, raising political awareness, and creating active communities that can foster a sense of connection or even rally individuals to collective action.

Roots: an Asian American Reader
Routledge

"A deeply beautiful book, with the fierce galloping pace of a great novel."—Liz Rosenberg Boston Globe Informed by the death of a beloved brother, here are the stories of childhood, its thicket of sex and sorrow and joy, boys and girls growing into men and women, stories of a brother who in his dying could teach how to be most alive. What the Living Do reflects "a new form

of confessional poetry, one shared to some degree by other women poets such as Sharon Olds and Jane Kenyon. Unlike the earlier confessional poetry of Plath, Lowell, Sexton et al., Howe's writing is not so much a moan or a shriek as a song. It is a genuinely feminine form . . . a poetry of intimacy, witness, honesty, and relation" (Boston Globe).

**Post-World War II
Masculinities in
British and American
Literature and**

Culture Boise State
Univ

In 1965, the first Asian American theatre company, the East West players, was founded by a group of actors who wanted to find better opportunities in the acting industry. Forty

years later, Asian American theatre is one of the fastest growing theatre sectors with over thirty active theatre companies and numerous award-winning artists such as Frank Chin, Jessica Hagedorn, Ping Chong, David Henry Hwang, Philip Kan Gotanda, Velina Hasu, and B. D. Wong. Based on over seventy interviews, the book surveys the history of Asian American theatre from 1965 to 2005 with focus on actors, playwrights, companies, audiences, and communities. Emphasizing historical contexts, Esther Kim Lee examines how issues of cultural nationalism, interculturalism, and identity politics affect a racially defined

theatre. Addressing issues ranging from actor's activism to Asian Diaspora, the book documents how Asian American theatre has become an indispensable part of American culture.

Songs My Mother

Taught Me Gale,

Cengage Learning

In the early 1970s,

Frank Chin, the

outspoken Chinese

American author of

such plays as *The*

Chickencoop Chinaman

and *The Year of the*

Dragon, wrote a full-

length novel that was

never published and

presumably lost.

Nearly four decades

later, Calvin McMillin, a

literary scholar

specializing in Asian

American literature,

would discover Chin's

original manuscripts

and embark on an

extensive restoration

project. Meticulously reassembled from multiple extant drafts, Frank Chin's "forgotten" novel is a sequel to *The Chickencoop Chinaman* and follows the further misadventures of Tam Lum, the original play's witty protagonist.

Haunted by the bitter memories of a failed marriage and the

untimely death of a beloved family

member, Tam flees San Francisco's

Chinatown for a life of self-imposed exile on

the Hawaiian island of Maui. After burning his

sole copy of a manuscript he believed

would someday be hailed as "The Great

Chinese American Novel," Tam stumbles

into an unlikely romance with Lily, a

former nun fresh out of the convent and

looking for love. In the process, he also develops an unusual friendship with Lily's father, a washed-up Hollywood actor once famous for portraying Charlie Chan on the big screen. Thanks in no small part to this bizarre father/daughter pair, not to mention an array of equally quirky locals, Tam soon discovers that his otherwise laidback island existence has been transformed into a farce of epic proportions. Had it been published in the 1970s as originally intended, *The Confessions of a Number One Son* might have changed the face of Asian American literature as we know it. Written at the height of Frank Chin's creative powers, this formerly "lost" novel ranks as

the author's funniest, most powerful, and most poignant work to date. Now, some forty years after its initial conception, *The Confessions of a Number One Son* is finally available to readers everywhere.

Encyclopedia of Asian-American Literature
Vintage

A two-year-old biracial American girl brought to China on the eve of the Communist takeover endures societal discrimination and maternal betrayal as she struggles over 30 years to maintain her identity as an American and to return to the United States. Among the first wave of educated youth sent from the cities to the countryside two years before the Cultural Revolution, she spends 9 years in Xinjiang,

China's rugged far west. There, as part of the Xinjiang Production and Construction Corps, she travels through the Taklamakan Desert on an unusual mission and faces the Soviet army and near-starvation while forging friendships with the Uyghur inhabitants. Returning to Beijing, she manages to contact the U.S. Liaison Office there to establish her American citizenship in the face of strong opposition from the Chinese government and in 1978 becomes the first American involuntarily held in China to return to the United States since the Korean War. Back in the United States and tasting freedom at last thanks to her resourcefulness and the work of U.S.

Department of State officials, she is determined to fit in despite the different culture and the challenges of a new language she was not allowed to learn in China. Her knowledge of Communist China, rare in the United States at that time, makes her a sought-after resource by a number of government offices and private businesses. She marries an American diplomat and travels to Taiwan where she looks to the future with the determination and optimism that have taken her so far. [A Study Guide for Frank Chin's "The Chickencoop Chinaman"](#) Routledge Two plays about the stereotypical Asian-American who is quiet, hardworking, and

removed from the
white community
Born in the USA Duke
University Press
A Study Guide for
Frank Chin's "The
Chickencoop
Chinaman," excerpted
from Gale's acclaimed
Drama for
Students. This concise
study guide includes

plot summary;
character analysis;
author biography;
study questions;
historical context;
suggestions for further
reading; and much
more. For any
literature project, trust
Drama for Students for
all of your research
needs.