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A Miscarriage of Justice

Women's Reproductive Lives and the Law in Early Twentieth-Century Brazil

CASSIA ROTH January 2020 368pp 9781503611320 £25.99 / \$32.00 PB 9781503610477 £82.00 / \$95.00 HB STANFORD UNIVERSITY PRESS

A Miscarriage of Justice examines women's reproductive health in relation to legal and medical policy in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. After the abolition of slavery in 1888 and the onset of republicanism in 1889, women's reproductive capabilitiestheir ability to conceive and raise future citizens and laborers-became critical to the expansion of the new Brazilian state. Analyzing court cases, law, medical writings, and health data, Cassia Roth argues that the state's approach to women's health in the early twentieth century focused on criminalizing fertility control without improving services or outcomes for women. Ultimately, the increasingly interventionist state fostered a culture of condemnation around poor women's reproduction that extended beyond elite discourses into the popular imagination.



A Revolution in Fragments

Traversing Scales of Justice, Ideology, and Practice in Bolivia

MARK GOODALE

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The years between 2006 and 2015, during which Evo Morales became Bolivia's first indigenous president, have been described as a time of democratic and cultural revolution. world renewal (Pachakuti). reconstituted neoliberalism, or simply "the process of change." In A Revolution in Fragments Mark Goodale unpacks these various analytical and ideological frameworks to reveal the fragmentary and contested nature of Bolivia's radical experiments in pluralism, ethnic politics, and socioeconomic planning. Privileging the voices of social movement leaders, students, indigenous intellectuals, women's rights activists, and many others, Goodale uses contemporary Bolivia as an ideal case study with which to theorize the role that political agency, identity, and economic equality play within movements for justice and structural change.

AGAINST ABSTRACTION

NOTES FROM AN EX-LATIN AMERICANIST

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Against Abstraction

Notes from an Ex-Latin Americanist ALBERTO MOREIRAS January 2020 264pp 9781477319826 £39.00 / \$45.00 HB UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS PRESS

In 2015, members of the philosophy department at the University of Madrid conducted an interview with Alberto Moreiras for the university's digital archive. The resulting dialogues and the Spanish edition of this work, Marranismo e inscripción, o el abandono de la conciencia desdichada, are the basis for Against Abstraction, supplemented with an interview conducted for the Chilean journal Papel máguina. In these landmark conversations, Moreiras describes how, though he was initially committed to Latin American literary studies, he eventually transitioned to become an eminent scholar of critical theory, existential philosophy, and ultimately infrapolitics and posthegemony.

Blending intellectual autobiography with a survey of Hispanism as practiced in universities in the United States (including the schisms in Latin American subaltern studies that eventually led to Moreiras's departure from Duke University), these narratives read like a picaresque and a polemic on the symbolic power of scholars.



Agent of Change

Adela Sloss-Vento, Mexican American Civil Rights Activist and Texas Feminist

CYNTHIA E. OROZCO

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The essayist Adela Sloss-Vento (1901-1998) was a powerhouse of activism in South Texas's Lower Rio Grande Valley throughout the Mexican American civil rights movement beginning in 1920 and the subsequent Chicano movement of the 1960s and 1970s. At last presenting the full story of Sloss-Vento's achievements, Agent of Change revives a forgotten history of a major female Latina leader. Bringing to light the economic and political transformations that swept through South Texas in the 1920s as ranching declined and agribusiness proliferated, Cynthia E. Orozco situates Sloss-Vento's early years within the context of the Jim Crow/Juan Crow era. Recounting Sloss-Vento's rise to prominence as a public intellectual, Orozco highlights a partnership with Alonso S. Perales, the principal founder of the League of United Latin American Citizens.



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Practice, Value, and Built Environments in Post-Crisis Buenos Aires

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Omar Rivera is interested in how narratives of "we" are constructed in Latin American philosophy. He turns to the philosophers of revolutionary moments as a way to imagine alternative visions of social and political reality, arguing that these "redemptive" moments or myths help mold group identity and can shape the future for Latin American culture, politics, and civil society.



Goodbye, My Havana

The Life and Times of a Gringa in Revolutionary Cuba ANNA VELTFORT September 2019 240pp 9781503610491 £19.99 / \$24.00 PB

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story of everyday life, love, and sexual persecution during the early years of the Cuban Revolution as lived and seen through the eyes of a young German-American student, the lesbian daughter of American Communists who worked there for the government.



Engendering Revolution

Women, Unpaid Labor, and Maternalism in Bolivarian Venezuela

RACHEL ELFENBEIN

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Showcasing field research that comprises archival analysis, observation, and extensive interviews, *Engendering Revolution* is the first indepth study of the overlooked yet pivotal role played by maternalism, poor and working-class women's unpaid labor, and unequal gender power relations in propelling and sustaining Venezuela's Bolivarian revolution.



Hierarchies of Care

Girls, Motherhood, and Inequality in Peru

Krista E Van Vleet

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Krista E. Van Vleet offers a rich ethnography of the young women of Palomitáy. Groundbreaking and original, *Hierarchies of Care* highlights the moral engagement of young women seeking to understand themselves and their place in society in the presence of circumstances that are both precarious and full of hope. **Excludes SE Asia, Indian sc & ANZ**



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Paranoia and Ambivalence in Late Socialist Cuban Cinema

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Food in Cuba The Pursuit of a Decent Meal **HANNA GARTH** January 2020 248pp 9781503611092 £20.99 / \$25.00 PB 9781503604629 £73.00 / \$85.00 HB STANFORD UNIVERSITY PRESS

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Mafalda

A Social and Political History of Latin America's Global Comic

ISABELLA COSSE

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ORGANIZING WHILE UNDOCUMENTED

Organizing While Undocumented

Immigrant Youth's Political Activism under the Law

KEVIN ESCUDERO Latina/o Sociology March 2020 208pp 9781479834150 £21.99 / \$27.00 PB 9781479803194 £77.00 / \$89.00 HB NEW YORK UNIVERSITY PRESS

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Myth, History, and the Melancholy of Race

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Quinceañera Style Social Belonging and Latinx Consumer Identities

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Students of Revolution

Youth, Protest, and Coalition Building in Somoza-Era Nicaragua

CLAUDIA RUEDA November 2019 352pp 8 b&w photos, 1 map

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Drawing on student archives, state and university records, and oral histories, Claudia Rueda reveals the tactics by which young activists deployed their age, class, and gender to craft a heroic identity that justified their political participation and to help build crossclass movements that eventually paralyzed Somoza-Era Nicaragua.



The Florentine Codex

An Encyclopedia of the Nahua World in Sixteenth-Century Mexico

Edited by Jeanette Favrot Peterson

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The Kids Are in Charge

Activism and Power in Peru's Movement of Working Children

JESSICA K. TAFT

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Ana María Reyes

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Oaxacan Woodcarvers in Global Economies of Culture

Alanna Cant

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