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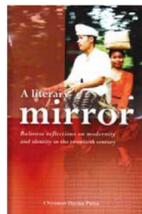
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_ I Nyoman Darma Putra

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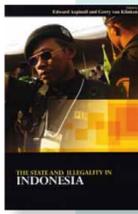


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_ Susie Protschky

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_ Edward Aspinall and Gerry van Klinken [eds]

The popular 1998 *reformasi* movement that brought down President Suharto's regime demanded an end to illegal practices by state officials, from human rights abuse to nepotistic investments. Yet today, such practices have proven more resistant to reform than people had hoped. Many have said corruption in Indonesia is 'entrenched'. The authors argue it is precisely this entrenched character that requires attention. Their observations led them to rethink fundamental ideas about the nature of the state in Indonesia, especially regarding its socially embedded character. They conclude that illegal practices by state officials are not just aberrations to the state, they are the state.



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Postkoloniale monumenten in Nederland Post-colonial monuments in the Netherlands

_ Gert Oostindie, Henk Schulte Nordholt en Fridus Steijlen

Dit is een overzicht van gedenktekens die in het naoorlogse Nederland zijn opgericht en die betrekking hebben op de koloniale periode. De foto's zijn, met bijschriften, op Flickr gepubliceerd met de mogelijkheid commentaren en nieuwe foto's toe te voegen. A visual and textual record of post-war memorials that reflect and give meaning to the country's colonial past. Photographs and descriptions are available on the Flickr website.

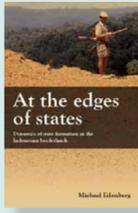


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_ Michael Eilenberg

Set in West Kalimantan, Indonesian Borneo, this study explores the shifting relationships between border communities and the state along the border with East Malaysia. The book has dual aims: first, to situate state and local community interaction in the wider historical context of state formation, and secondly, to investigate the active agency of border communities in their ongoing struggles over access to forest resources and the accompanying quest for increased local autonomy.



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_ Hans Hägerdal

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_ Katinka van Heeren

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_ Taufiq Tanasaldy

The development of Dayak politics in West Kalimantan from colonial times until the first decade of the 21st century is central to this study. The author asks how and why Dayak politics has experienced such drastic changes since 1945. He looks at the effect of regime change, the role of the individual leaders and organizations, the experience of marginalization, and conflicts on the course of Dayak politics. He also examines ethnic relations and recent political developments up to 2010 in the province.



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_ Clara Brakel

The *sukut-sukuten Si Buah Mburle* recorded in 1979 was a solo performance by the old, male storyteller Sonang Sitakar. His relatively brief performance covered the entire story narrated in prose, poetry and dialogue. It also featured several different song-types: female laments and male songs, as well as a lullaby and a dance-song. Formulaic expressions were used in abundance, especially in the chanted parts. With a thorough command of different speech types, Sonang Sitakar proved to be an experienced verbal artist. Moreover, he wanted to educate the listeners by transmitting knowledge of the past, and of moral, behavioural and legal codes.



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Musical worlds in Yogyakarta

_ Max M. Richter

This rich, ethnographic account of musical performance in public contexts ranging from the street and kampung through to commercial venues and state environments such as Yogyakarta's regional parliament, its military institutions, universities and the Sultan's palace. From street-corner jam sessions to large-scale concerts, a range of genres emerge that cohere around notions of *campursari* ('mixed essences') and *jalanan* ('of the street'). The author shows that Yogyakarta is exemplary of how everyday people make use of music to negotiate issues of power and at the same time promote peace and intergroup appreciation in culturally-diverse inner-city settings.

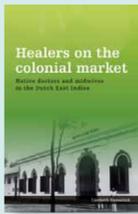


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From Lanka Eastwards | The Ramayana in the literature and visual arts of Indonesia

_ Andrea Acri, Helen Creese and Arlo Griffiths [eds]

The Kakawin Ramayana, arguably the oldest Old Javanese epic text in Indic metres (c. 9th century AD), holds a unique position in the literary heritage of Indonesia. The poem has retained remarkable vitality through the centuries in the archipelago, inspiring many forms of artistic expression. The 10 studies included in this volume, written by experts in a wide range of disciplines, focus on disparate aspects of the Kakawin Ramayana and the constellation of cultural phenomena revolving around it, providing the reader with a key to the understanding of the rich Old Javanese textual heritage.

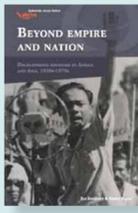


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_ Liesbeth Hesselink

Healers on the colonial market is one of the few studies on the Dutch East Indies from a (post-) colonial perspective. It emphasises mediation, exchange, hybridity, cultural transfer, contestation, and the formation of colonial subjectivities. This book will provide a wonderful addition to research on the history of the Dutch East Indies, and research on the history of colonial medicine. In particular, the chapters dealing with the role of the Indonesian physicians and midwives as 'mediators' (and the cultural attributes connected to this role) will interest historians, historians of science and anthropologists alike.



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_ Jennifer Lindsay and Maya H.T. Liem [eds]

This volume brings together new scholarship on Indonesia's cultural history from 1950-1965. During the new nation's first decade and a half, Indonesia's links with the world and its sense of nationhood were vigorously negotiated on the cultural front. Indonesia used cultural networks of the time, including those of the Cold War, to announce itself on the world stage. International links, post-colonial aspirations and nationalistic fervor interacted to produce a thriving cultural and intellectual life at home. Essays discuss the exchange of artists, intellectuals, writing and ideas between Indonesia and various countries.



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_ Kees van Dijk and Jean Gelman Taylor [eds]

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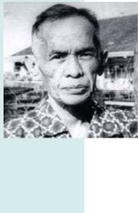


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Following the figure with the cap | A new look at the religious function of East Javanese temples 14th to 15th centuries

_ Lydia Kieven

A figure wearing a cap was depicted in reliefs at East Javanese temples during the Majapahit period (c. 1300-1500 AD). The author calls this special figure the 'cap-figure'. The cap-figure constitutes one of many new features which were created in East Javanese art and were distinct from earlier Central Javanese art. In particular it represents an example of the richness of the Majapahit art. The cap-figure had an important meaning as is evident through the frequency of its depictions. In this book the author presents new insights for the meaning of the Majapahit temples in general.



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Islam and the making of the nation | Kartosuwiryo and political Islam in 20th-century Indonesia

_ Chiara Formichi

By following the career and ideology of Kartosuwiryo, the religious nationalist leader of the Sarekat Islam party and later *Imam* of the Islamic state of Indonesia, the author investigates the relation between Islam and politics in Indonesia in the twentieth century. Focussing on the dialectic between the religious and secular nationalist movement, she analyses the failure of political Islam in the mid-1950s and the consolidation of the Pancasila state under Soekarno's and Soeharto's regimes. The author describes the gradual radicalization of the Islamic party and Kartosuwiryo.

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