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Anthropology

Forgotten World : The Stone Walled Settlements of the Mpumalanga Escarpment
/ Peter Delius , Tim Maggs
Johannesburg, South Africa : WITS University Press, 2014
157p.;
ISBN : 9781868147748
\$ 31.25

The Mpumalanga escarpment, stretching from Ohrigstad in the north via Lydenburg and Machadodorp to Carolina in the south, saw massive changes in precolonial times. Still visible today is a vast expanse of man-made stone walling which connects over 10 000 square kilometres of land into a complex web of circular homesteads, towns, terraced fields and linking roads, stretching for 150 kilometres in an almost continuous belt. Oral traditions recorded in the early twentieth century named the area Bokoni - the country of the Koni people. Very few people know much about these settlements, how and when they were created, and why today they are deserted and largely ignored. A long tradition of archaeological work which might provide some of the answers remains cloistered in universities.

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Art

Craft Art In Southern Africa : Creative Intersections / Elbe Coetsee
Johannesburg, South Africa : Jonathan Ball Publishers, 2015

272p.;

ISBN : 9781868426140

\$ 56.25

Much has changed since *Craft Art In South Africa* was published in 2002. This follow-up edition highlights the renewed sense of creativity and inspiration that is sweeping across the country against all odds. South African craft artists proliferate in these precarious economic times and maintain their artistic integrity with perseverance and passion. This book showcases the versatility and skill of some of the many artists working in South Africa today. It takes pride in the wide variety of tactile craft art works created, and explores the interdisciplinary nature of creativity through the examination of beading, basket weaving, ceramics, fibre art, glass sculpture, metal and wirework, recycling, and wood carving. It rejoices in the sharing of skills between cultures, and in the sharing of creative knowledge towards upliftment and employment. But above all, it celebrates the craft artists themselves and honours their sheer ingenuity.

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Dylan Lewis : An Untamed Force / Dylan Lewis
Cape Town, South Africa : Fernwood Press, 2015

224p.;

ISBN : 9781928213017

\$ 43.75

The towering sculptures of Dylan Lewis are becoming well-known landmarks in South Africa, where they grace botanical gardens, golf courses, grand hotel foyers and the halls of discerning collectors. Increasingly, they are being snapped up by galleries and institutions abroad. This publication builds on an earlier book, bringing the photographic record of Dylan Lewis' work up to date. The brief introductory text reveals how the sculptor's boyhood in a happily bohemian, nature-loving and creative family inspired him, and traces his artistic development from what have come to be known as 'the cat years' to his current, more esoteric and mythical approach.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=175624>

Penny Siopis : Time and Again / Gerrit Olivier
Johannesburg, South Africa : WITS University Press, 2014
318p.;
ISBN : 9781868146956
\$ 72.50

With her earliest work, Penny Siopis established herself as one of the most prominent and challenging visual artists in and beyond South Africa. It traces Siopis's development from her famous early cake paintings to the history paintings, the installations, video work and her exuberant experiments with ink and glue. Edited by Gerrit Olivier, this collection of essays and interviews by contextualises her major contribution to the visual arts by considering her work through various prisms. In an extensive interview with Gerrit Olivier, Siopis comments on how her abiding engagement with social concerns has always been combined with an interest in form and process. This book will be an invaluable source to those interested in the trajectory and development of Siopis's artistic career. With contributions from leading art and cultural commentators, the book provides invaluable insight as to her position as one of the leading South African artists of the 21st century.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=175626>

Beyond Touch / Arja Salafranca
Cape Town, South Africa : Modjaji Books CC, 2015
82p.;
ISBN : 9781920590543
\$ 25.00

Arja Salafranca treads warily on the icy streets of London, but returns years later to have a life-changing epiphany while rowing on the Thames. Her incisive, photographic gaze penetrates the lives of people, from an Indonesian woman in the sea to a child begging in Johannesburg. But the poetry is also personal, as it traces the slow but inevitable unwinding of a relationship. And then there's an erotic intimacy, where love goes beyond touch.

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Ecology/Environment

Burning Table Mountain : An Environmental History Of Fire On The Cape Peninsula / Simon Pooley
Cape Town, South Africa : JUTA, 2015
315p.;
ISBN : 9781775820017
\$ 36.90

In January 2000, two wildfires torched more than 8 000 hectares of the Cape Peninsula, swept through the Table Mountain National Park, and burned houses and property. There were more than 120 fires in the region on that one 'fire-storm Sunday'. The challenges faced in the Cape are shared by major cities and nature reserves in similar Mediterranean-type ecosystems in the USA, Australia and Mediterranean Europe. Wildfire has destroyed hundreds of thousands of hectares and killed people in Greece, Australia and the United States. It has become a global, and a local, research and management challenge.

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Economics/Development Studies

Money from Nothing : Indebtedness and Aspiration in South Africa / Deborah James
Johannesburg, South Africa : WITS University Press, 2014
296p.;
ISBN : 9780804792677
\$ 40.00

"Money from Nothing" explores the dynamics surrounding South Africa's national project of financial inclusion--dubbed "banking the unbanked"--which aimed to extend credit to black South Africans as a critical aspect of broad-based economic enfranchisement.

Through rich and captivating accounts, Deborah James reveals the varied ways in which middle- and working-class South Africans' access to credit is intimately bound up with identity, status-making, and aspirations of upward mobility. She draws out the deeply precarious nature of both the aspirations and the economic relations of debt which sustain her subjects, revealing the shadowy side of indebtedness and its potential to produce new forms of oppression and disenfranchisement in place of older ones.

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Dams, Displacement, and the Delusion of Development - Cahora Bassa and its Legacies in Mozambique, 1965-2007 / Allen F. Isaacman , Barbara S. Isaacman
Scottsville, South Africa : University of Kwazulu Natal Press, 2015
308p.;
ISBN : 9781869142919
\$ 39.50

Cahora Bassa Dam on the Zambezi River, built in the early 1970s during the final years of Portuguese rule, was the last major infrastructure project constructed in Africa during the turbulent era of decolonization. Engineers and hydrologists praised the dam for its technical complexity and the skills required to construct what was then the world's fifth-largest mega-dam. Portuguese colonial officials cited benefits they expected from the dam, but reality proved a different story. This in-depth study of the region examines the dominant developmentalist narrative that has surrounded the dam, chronicles the continual violence that has accompanied its existence, and gives voice to previously unheard narratives of forced labour, displacement, and historical and contemporary life in the dam's shadow.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=175634>

Education

An Educator's Guide to School Management Skills / I. van Deventer , A.G. Kruger
Pretoria, South Africa : Van Schaik Publishers, 2014
396p.;
ISBN : 9780627025303
\$ 46.50

Today's changed education landscape demands leaders who will provide society with capable South Africans who are able to fulfil their life-roles as citizens and as productive, well-adjusted human beings. An educator's guide to school management skills aims at providing education leaders and managers with practical, school-based directives. This title focuses on four particularly relevant aspects in our schools today: How to develop excellence in schools; leadership and management skills; motivational skills; current school management issues (i.e. effective teaching personnel; management of information and time; school's finances; managing of the instructional programme; community involvement; legal aspects of employment; and gender equity).

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=175636>

Getting and Keeping Your Accreditation - The Quality Assurance and Assessment Guide for Education, Training and Development Providers / Melinde Coetzee

Pretoria, South Africa : Van Schaik Publishers, 2014

280p.;

ISBN : 9780627025167

\$ 50.00

At a time when quality in education and training for all sectors of the South African economy has become a crucial issue, many education, training and development (ETD) providers, practitioners and organisations are earnestly seeking ways to improve their education and training practices to ensure compliance with the national legislative requirements. This title suggests practical guidelines for ensuring quality in learning provision.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=175637>

Growing Human Rights and Values in Education / J. Nieuwenhuis

Pretoria, South Africa : Van Schaik Publishers, 2014

245p.;

ISBN : 9780627026683

\$ 44.50

One cannot imagine a world stripped of social interaction. Our lives are intimately linked to those of others and we need to establish ground rules to regulate our interactions. These rules are rooted in values, morals and fundamental rights; they are the beacons according to which we navigate our lives. But these ground rules are not cast in stone. Our contemporary world is characterised by constant change that seems to engulf every aspect of our lives. All around us we see social systems crumbling as moral decay and disrespect for ethics set in. These disruptive changes compel us to reflect on values and human rights and the ground rules that anchor our lives and the community we serve. Hence, we are confronted with the question: how do we recreate morality and ethical behaviour to ensure that human rights are more than word in the Constitution? This book explores human issues in a quest to understand values, morals and human rights.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=175639>

Project Management in Education and Training / Pieter Oosthuizen , Tom Bisschoff

Pretoria, South Africa : Van Schaik Publishers, 2015

144p.;

ISBN : 9780627025747

\$ 35.00

Project management in education and training is a resource for education students, educators, policy makers and authorities in the education, training and skills development arena. The title will enable the successful implementation of education and training projects, such as school fundraising, implementing Curriculum 2005 and Adult Basic Education and Training projects, assessing staff and successfully implementing any training programme. It also contributes to long-term, sustainable skills development through a holistic, lifelong approach to learning.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=175641>

Community-driven Projects - A Case Study of Science Education and Information Technology in South Africa / J. Phahlamohlaka

Pretoria, South Africa : Van Schaik Publishers, 2014

222p.;

ISBN : 9780627027307

\$ 28.75

The Siyabuswa Educational Improvement and Development Trust (SEIDET) success story. How local people in a cluster of hitherto disadvantaged communities developed impressive capacities for collective learning and action over a sustained period of years.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=175642>

The Educator as Mediator of Learning / R.B. Monyai, M.M. Nieman

Pretoria, South Africa : Van Schaik Publishers, 2014

184p.;

ISBN : 9780627026027

\$ 29.50

This title focuses on the fundamentals of supervision and how supervision can be utilised effectively. The authors are involved in the fields of education, counseling and clinical psychology. Written primarily by South African practitioners and trainers, the title is particularly relevant to the supervisors of counsellors and counsellor supervisees.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=175643>

Teaching and Learning in SA Schools / E. du Plessis , P.G. du Plessis
Pretoria, South Africa : Van Schaik Publishers, 2014
165p.;
ISBN : 9780627026560
\$ 35.00

Teaching and learning in South African schools offers sound, detailed and practical direction to help new and experienced educators and student educators move with ease within the framework of teaching and learning. This title will enable them to understand the management of teaching and learning in schools, apply the relevant roles of the educator to teaching practice; ensure staff development and partnerships with parents and communities.
<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=175644>

Being at Home: Race, Institutional Culture and Transformation at South African Higher Education Institutions / Matthews, Sally, Tabensky, Pedro (ed.)
Scottsville, South Africa : University of Kwazulu Natal Press, 2015
328p.;
ISBN : 9781869142902
\$ 40.00

Being at 'Home' stimulates careful conversation about some of the most pressing issues facing higher education institutions in South Africa today – race, transformation and institutional culture.

While there are many reasons to be despondent about the current state of affairs in the South African tertiary sector, this collection is intended as an invitation for the reader to see these problems as opportunities for rethinking the very idea of what it is to be a university in contemporary South Africa. It is also, more generally, an invitation for us to think about what it is that the intellectual project should ultimately be about, and to question certain prevalent trends that affect – or, perhaps, infect – the current global academic system. This book will be of interest to all those who are concerned about the state of the contemporary university, both in South Africa and beyond.
<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=175646>

Restoring the educational dream: Rethinking educational transformation in Zimbabwe / Edward Shizha
South Africa, Pretoria, Africa Institute of South Africa, 2013
284p.
ISBN: 9780798304078
\$ 36.00
<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=175380>

General

Sugar Free : 8 Weeks To Freedom From Sugar And Carb Addiction / Karen Thomson ,Kerry Hammerton
Johannesburg, South Africa : Sunbird Publishers, 2015
224p.;
ISBN : 9781920289829
\$ 31.25

Sugar Free is the first self-help book written in South Africa to help people overcome sugar and carbohydrate addiction. It is written by authors Karen Thomson and Kerry Hammerton with the support of dietician Tamzyn Campbell and a foreword by Prof Tim Noakes. It does advocate the low carb high fat (LCHF) way of eating.

This book is the only one available to address the emotional and behavioural patterns of a sugar and carb addict. For many people simply knowing what to eat is not enough. Sugar Free addresses this issue.

In addition to the 8-week programme, Sugar Free also contains personal accounts of addiction, meal programmes and sugar-free recipes.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=175648>

Pens Behaving Badly / Nick Paige
Cape Town, South Africa : Kwela Books, 2015
224p.;
ISBN : 9780795707087
\$ 22.00

Paige is best known for "A Million Miles From Normal", her weekly column in the Sunday Times Life & Style magazine. As one of the anchor columnists of the Life & Style section since 2011, she has produced hundreds of hilarious columns and received hundreds more hilarious responses. Pens Behaving Badly is a collection of the best of her columns and the best of the wild letters they've inspired.

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History

Mission To South Africa : Diary Of A Revolution / Robin Renwick
Johannesburg, South Africa : Jonathan Ball Publishers, 2015
184p.;
ISBN : 9781868426546
\$ 28.50

On 2 February 1990, FW de Klerk made a speech that changed the history of South Africa. Nine days later, the world watched as Nelson Mandela walked free from the Victor Verster prison. In the midst of these events was Lord Renwick, Margaret Thatcher's envoy to South Africa, who became a personal friend of Nelson Mandela, FW de Klerk and Chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi, acting as a trusted intermediary between them.

He warned PW Botha against military attacks on neighbouring countries, in meetings he likens to 'calling on the fuhrer in his bunker'. He invited Mandela to his first meal in a restaurant for twenty-seven years, rehearsing him for his meeting with Margaret Thatcher - and told Thatcher that she must not interrupt him. Their discussion went on so long that the British press in Downing Street started chanting 'Free Nelson Mandela'. In this extraordinary insider's account, Renwick draws on his diaries of the time, as well as previously unpublished material from the Foreign Office and Downing Street files.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=175650>

Showdown At The Red Lion - The Life And Times Of Jack McLoughlin 1859-1910 / Charles Van Onselen
Johannesburg, South Africa : Jonathan Ball Publishers, 2015
515p.;
ISBN : 9781868426225
\$ 39.50

Johannesburg was - and is - the Frontier of Money. Within months of its founding, the mining camp was host to organised crime: the African 'Regiment of the Hills' and 'Irish Brigade' bandits. Bars, brothels, boarding houses and hotels oozed testosterone and violence, and the use of fists and guns was commonplace.

Beyond the chaos were clear signs of another struggle, one to maintain control, honour and order within the emerging male and mining dominated culture. In the underworld, the dictum of 'honour among thieves', as well as a hatred of informers, testified to attempts at self-regulation. A 'real man' did not take advantage of an opponent by employing underhand tactics. It had to be a 'fair fight' if a man was to be respected.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=175652>

A Century Of Symphony : The Story Of Cape Town's Orchestra / Cape Town Philharmonic Orchestra

Johannesburg, South Africa : Jonathan Ball Publishers, 2014

176p.;

ISBN : 9781868426560

\$ 50.00

As Africa's oldest orchestra, and certainly its most versatile, the Cape Town Philharmonic Orchestra is a proud part of the fabric of the Mother City. Founded in 1914 as a municipally funded ensemble, the orchestra was privatised in 1986 and later merged with the former Capab orchestra, achieving independence in 2000.

A Century Of Symphony tells the story of Cape Town's orchestras over the past 100 years. Bringing together reminiscences, anecdotes and heartfelt stories by players, conductors and audience members, images of the orchestra both past and present, and information gathered from city, newspaper and university archives, A Century Of Symphony offers a timeless perspective on the place of orchestral music in the life of the city.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=175653>

Louis Botha's War : The South-West Africa Campaign / Adam Cruise

Cape Town, South Africa : Zebra Press, 2015

240p.;

ISBN : 9781770227521

\$ 27.50

Louis Botha was prime minister of the Union of South Africa when Britain declared war on Germany in 1914. As South Africa was a dominion of the British Empire, Botha was asked to lead his country on a campaign against the Germans across the border in South West Africa. In light of the relatively recent Anglo-Boer War, many Afrikaners balked at the request, but the prime minister was committed politically to unifying Boer and Brit and came down heavily in favor of taking up arms against Germany.

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Law

Aspects of Education Law (4th edition) / I.J. Oosthuizen
Pretoria, South Africa : Van Schaik Publishers, 2014
346p.;
ISBN : 9780627026287
\$ 43.75

Aspects of education law provides a comprehensive description and analysis of the laws that currently inform, prescribe and influence the activities of educators and education managers, whether on the sports fields or in the boardroom, at the blackboard or behind a desk. This fourth edition of Aspects of education law places emphasis on the legal aspects that pertain to learner misconduct in South African schools, with extended chapters on human rights and school governance, and has been thoroughly updated in terms of new legislation and case law. It includes discussions of the position of the child as legal subject, the educator's duty of care and the administrative aspects of school management.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=175655>

Equal Educational Opportunities : Comparative Perspectives in Education Law /
Jurgen Beckmann , J.D. Jansen
Pretoria, South Africa : Van Schaik Publishers, 2015
289p.;
ISBN : 9780627026256
\$ 45.00

This interesting text is based on the papers read at the commemorative conference (held at Misty Hills in South Africa in April 2004) and critically examines the progress that South Africa and the United States have made towards realising equal educational opportunities for all. It also provides further international perspectives from Unesco and Europe. The title contains personal recollections of experiences related to equality by Judge Albie Sachs of the Constitutional Court of South Africa.

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The Law of Education in South Africa /Rika Joubert , Sakkie Prinsloo
Pretoria, South Africa : Van Schaik Publishers, 2015
254p.;
ISBN : 9780627027444
\$ 39.90

The law of education describes and explains legal aspects pertaining to managing a school in a professional and ethical way. The interpretation and implementation of acts, regulations, policies and court judgments are addressed using practical day-to-day examples experienced in schools in the South African context.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=129113>

Strengthening the protection of sexual and reproductive health and rights in the African region through human rights / Charles Ngwena & Ebenezer Durojaye
Pretoria, South Africa : PULP, 2014

355p.;

ISBN 9781920538316

\$ 55.00

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=175367>

Southern African Public Law: Volume 20 Number 1 (2014) / Verloren van Themaat Centre

South Africa, Pretoria, Unisa, 2014

259p.

ISBN: 22196412

\$ 30.00

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=175382>

Stop violence Against People with Disabilities: An International Resource / Diane Nelson Bryne & Juan Bornman (eds)

South Africa, Pretoria, Pretoria University Law Press, 2014

193p.

ISBN: 9781920538293

\$ 38.00

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=175368>

Promoting Citizenship And Preventing Statelessness In South Africa: A Practitioner's Guide / Jessica P. George and Rosalind Elphick

South Africa, Pretoria, Pretoria University Law Press, 2014

138p.

ISBN: 9781920538309

\$ 35.00

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=174875>

African Disability Rights Yearbook 2014 / Charles Ngwena, Ilze Grobbelaar-du Plessis

South Africa, Pretoria, Pretoria University Law Press, 2014

327p.

ISSN: 2311-8970

\$ 60.00

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=175370>

Literature

The Runaway Horses / Joyce Kotze
Johannesburg, South Africa : Jonathan Ball Publishers, 2014
570p.;
ISBN : 9781868426393
\$ 32.50

Two sets of cousins, Boer and Brit, find their destinies inexorably intertwined in the politics and mayhem that led up to and encompassed the Anglo Boer War of 1899-1902. From Transvaal to Victorian England, the cousins form strong bonds, which are tested on the battlefields of South Africa.

Martin de Winter, nurtured to lead his country of birth, Transvaal, into the twentieth century, instead finds himself excelling as a gifted young general, fighting a desperate war to keep his nation from ruins, all the while being haunted by his love for a British woman. James Henderson, cavalry officer, is forced by his father, a military aristocrat, to marry or face expulsion from his regiment. Bound for India, the regiment is diverted to South Africa to fight the Boers. James rides to glory and honor but is at the mercy of his loyalty to his country and his compassion for his Boer family.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=175660>

Papwa: in the Grip of a Champion / Maxine Case
Cape Town, South Africa : Kwela Books, 2015
224p.;
ISBN : 9780795707117
\$ 24.50

Playing the Lie is the story of one man who triumphed against unbelievable odds, only to have his dream snatched from him. Written as fiction, this is a uniquely South African story told by a master storyteller. Sewsunker "Papwa" Sewgolum (1930-1978) was a South African golfer who carved a niche for himself in golfing folklore when he became the first golfer of colour to win a provincial open in South Africa (in 1963). Sewgolum, a former caddie, with his wrong-way-round grip (left hand beneath his right), beat 103 white golfers in the Natal Open at the Durban Country Club. He became a symbol of the sports boycott movement when pictures of him receiving his trophy outdoors in the rain, because, due to apartheid, he was not allowed to enter the clubhouse, were published across the world. In 1965 he beat Gary Player to win the Natal Open for the second time.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=175661>

The Space Between The Space Between / John Hunt
Cape Town, South Africa : Umuzi Publishers, 2015
272p.;
ISBN : 9781415207390
\$ 25.00

In some ways, it all begins with a very bad day for Jethro. First, he's attacked by an angry man who takes his good intentions the wrong way, then he's robbed in the middle of the night by two men who try to iron out of him – literally – where he keeps his valuables. The problem is that Jethro's valuables consist of a box of photos and other keepsakes – which only aggravates his assailants.

Traumatised, he seeks counselling. With Dr Chatwin, Jethro traces his bond with his best friend, Sam, the loss of his girlfriend, his encounters with the enigmatic artist Matsotso Cecilia Dumisa, and why he carries a hat, a shoe and a painting around with him everywhere.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=175662>

Outposts of Progress : Joseph Conrad, Modernism and Post-Colonialism / Gail Fincham, Jeremy Hawthorn
Cape Town, South Africa : JUTA, 2015
266p.;
ISBN : 9781775820819
\$ 31.25

The first international conference ever held in Africa on the works of author Joseph Conrad took place in 1998, to mark the centenary of the publication of heart of darkness. This book draws its title from Conrad's short story, 'An Outpost of Progress' which represented the responses of a European to colonial settler assumptions about progress and backwardness, in the light of his first-hand experience of Europeans in Africa at the end of the nineteenth century. The 13 essays in this collection engage directly with the ways in which Conrad's fiction explores and problematises the notion of 'progress', not only at the time when he was writing but now, more than a century later. Although the relationship between modernist and postcolonial literature has been theorised by critics in Britain, Europe and America since the late 1980s, for the first time, this book brings these debates to Africa.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=175663>

Conversations of Motherhood: South African Women's Writing across Tradition /
Robbe, Ksenia
Scottsville, South Africa : University of Kwazulu Natal Press, 2015
328p.;
ISBN : 9781869142889
\$ 41.00

The subject of motherhood is interwoven with themes of survival, power and identity. It is also at the heart of any consideration of women's writing.

Conversations of Motherhood sensitively charts common themes, intersecting experiences and related tropes within the cultural specificities of South African society. Exploring this space, in turn, provides a lens for cross-cultural reading that draws on various local ways of knowing and the workings of agency.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=175664>

Now the World Takes These Breaths / Joan Metelerkamp
Cape Town, South Africa : Modjaji Books CC, 2014
56p.;
ISBN : 9781920590536
\$ 20.00

Formal but fluent, the 'sonnets' ('soundings') of this sequence marry cycle and narrative, old and new, secular and sacred, momentary and eternal. This is a strange and immediately familiar book – at its simplest it traces the story of a mother's "letting-go" her grown children, a daughter's relocation to the Northern hemisphere, a wedding, shadows of deaths and losses, sparks of joy. It recalls the story of Demeter and Persephone, but goes on from there in immediately accessible South African, contemporary terms. Above all, it celebrates!

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=166089>

The Chameleon House / Melissa De Villers
Cape Town, South Africa : Modjaji Books CC, 2015
134p.;
ISBN : 9781920590895
\$ 25.00

There's the not-quite twenty-year old journalist, with the world open to her but not knowing what to do with it, who finds herself at the Baviaan's Drift Bugle under the watchful eye of an old acquaintance of her father's; an older woman with her young lover, caught in Johannesburg traffic during 'load shedding', the new leveller; and a young boy who finds a painful intimacy with his mother's boyfriend through the beatings he receives from him. And then there are the four friends sharing a house in London, where the only thing they have in common is that they have all left home. But do they really know anything about each other?

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=175378>

Alexander In Africa: Acta Classica Supplementum V (2014) / Philip Bosman
South Africa, Pretoria, University of South Africa, 2014

184p.

ISSN: 0065-1141

\$ 25.00

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=175383>

Acta Classica Volume LV 2012 / David Konstan

South Africa, Pretoria, Classical Association of South Africa, 2012

195p.

ISSN: 0065-1141

\$ 40.00

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=175364>

Acta Classica Volume LVI 2013 / David Konstan

South Africa, Pretoria, Classical Association of South Africa, 2013

238p.

ISSN: 0065-1141

\$ 40.00

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=175363>

Acta Classica Volume LVII 2014 / David Konstan

South Africa, Pretoria, Classical Association of South Africa, 2014

313p.

ISSN: 00651141

\$ 40.00

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=175362>

Politics

Africanism or Continentalism Mobilizing Global Africans, for Renaissance and
Unity / Kwesi Kwaa Prah

Cape Town, South Africa : CASAS, 2015

ISBN : 9781920287917

\$ 15.00

This collection of selected documents outlines the history of the 8th PAC held in Johannesburg (14th - 16th January, 2014). The materials that have been put together within these covers include; Minutes of the First and Second Preparatory Meetings; A Brief for Participants of the First Preparatory Meeting; a Concept Note; a Conceptual Reflection on the Congress; Africanism and Continentalism - written as a riposte to the rival Continentalist project; 8th PAC explanatory Letters to Dr. Yvonne King and Gen. Ishola Williams; A Letter from Prof. Dani Wadada Nabudere and Appendices including, the Congress Programme, Recommendations of the 8th PAC, a Statement of Accounts and a List of Participants. ...

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=175373>

Perspectives Of South Africa –China Relations / Funeka Yazini April and Garth Shelton (eds)

South Africa, Pretoria, Africa Institute of South Africa, 2014

139p.

ISBN: 9780798304733

\$ 25.00

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=175374>

Sociology

ETHICAL QUANDARIES : In social research / Deborah Posel, Fiona Ross
Cape Town, South Africa : HSRC Press, 2015

320p.;

ISBN : 9780796924896

\$ 33.75

The book opens up a space of frank discussion about the often unsettling, messy realities of ethical decision-making in the thick of social research. All the contributors write in the first person about personal experiences of research. They expose tensions within professional codes of ethics, as well as a range of dilemmas that arose when personal ethical convictions jostled with disciplinary and institutional ethical imperatives. The book is unique in spanning a range of research scenarios, qualitative and quantitative, across different disciplines, fields of study and institutional settings. The book will be of interest to all social researchers - in universities, NGOs and other applied milieu - working in fields of research structured by hierarchies of difference and conditions of inequality.

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Changing Artisanal Identity and Status : The Unfolding South African Story /
Angelique Wildschut , Tamlynne Meyer , Salim Akoojee

Cape Town, South Africa : HSRC Press, 2015

125p.;

ISBN : 9780796924926

\$ 36.50

Discussions around the increase in number and improved quality of artisans have been widely supported. There is, however, a need for the notion of artisan is to be interrogated. This compelling study does this by exploring two focus trades in the manufacturing sector in South Africa and evaluating the changes to artisan identity and status. By extending a methodological framework for studying professions, the study adds to the academic engagement on understanding artisan identity and status.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=175666>

Progressive African Thought Leadership / Aziz Pahad, Garth le Pere and
Miranda Strydom
Pretoria, South Africa : AISA, 2015
188p.;
ISBN : 9780798304856
\$ 23.75

This book represents what might be called 'symbolic capital' in the sense that, under the rubric of the Concerned Africans Forum (CAF), it is an attempt to develop a different set of lenses for understanding many of the critical themes that shape our current public discourse and body of opinion. This kind of capital that the CAF has promoted is not only about how these themes are articulated and expressed from a progressive and critical perspective. It is also, quite crucially, about how the use of this capital can serve to influence debate and understanding as well as the agenda of public discussion, especially as this relates to Africa.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=175667>

Victoria Mxenge Housing Project : Women Building Communities Through Social
Activism and Informal Learning / Salma Ismail
Cape Town, South Africa : JUTA, 2015
166p.;
ISBN : 9781919895529
\$ 27.50

At the beginning of South Africa's democratic change, in 1994, the Victoria Mxenge Housing Project was founded by a group of 12 women who lived in shacks on the barren outskirts of Cape Town. These women had come from rural areas and were poor, vulnerable and semi-literate. Yet they learned how to build, negotiate with the government and NGOs, architects and building experts, and form alliances with homeless social movements locally and internationally, in India and Brazil. The desolate piece of land they occupied is now a thriving, sustainable community of more than 5 000 houses. Over a period of 10 years the author tracked the history of the Victoria Mxenge Housing Association, from its start as a development organisation to its evolution into a social movement and then as a service provider. The text weaves together perspectives on the usefulness as well as limitations of 'popular education', or informal learning.

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Impossible Mourning : HIV / AIDS and Visuality After Apartheid / Kylie Thomas
Johannesburg, South Africa : WITS University Press, 2015

156p.;

ISBN : 9781868147731

\$ 40.00

Impossible Mourning argues that while the HIV/AIDS epidemic has occupied an important place in public discourse in South Africa over the last ten years, particularly in debates about governance and constitutional rights post-apartheid, the experiences of people living with HIV for the most part remain invisible and the multiple losses due to AIDS have gone publicly unmourned. This profound fact is at the centre of this book which explores the significance of the disavowal of AIDS-death in relation to violence, death, and mourning under apartheid. Impossible Mourning shows how, in spite of the magnitude of the epidemic, and as a result of the stigma and discrimination that have largely characterized both national and personal responses to the epidemic, spaces for the expression of collective mourning have been few.

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Changing Space, Changing City : Johannesburg After Apartheid / Philip Harrison,
Alison Todes

Johannesburg, South Africa : WITS University Press, 2014

590p.;

ISBN : 9781868147656

\$ 86.25

As the dynamo of South Africa's economy, Johannesburg commands a central position in the nation's imagination, and scholars throughout the world monitor the city as an exemplar of urbanity in the global South. This richly illustrated study offers detailed empirical analyses of changes in the city's physical space, as well as a host of chapters on the character of specific neighbourhoods and the social identities being forged within them. Informing all of these is a consideration of underlying economic, social and political processes shaping the wider Gauteng region. A mix of respected academics, practising urban planners and experienced policymakers offer compelling overviews of the rapid and complex spatial developments that have taken place in Johannesburg since the end of apartheid, along with tantalising glimpses into life on the streets and behind the high walls of this diverse city.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=175670>

Urban Governance in Post-apartheid Cities: Modes of Engagement in South Africa's Metropolises / Huchzermeyer, Marie (ed.)
Scottsville, South Africa : University of Kwazulu Natal Press, 2015
352p.;
ISBN : 9781869142599
\$ 43.50

Urban governance as a term captures the complex interaction between stakeholders or groupings that influence urban development. In South Africa, this complexity emerged with the transition from apartheid over two decades ago. Today, governance influences priorities in a wide range of urban domains, from public transport to policing; from engagements at the neighbourhood level to city-wide strategies. In different configurations, urban governance shapes innercity districts and gated estates on the urban periphery.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=175671>

Race, Class and Power: Harold Wolpe and the Radical Critique of Apartheid / Friedman, Steven
Scottsville, South Africa : University of Kwazulu Natal Press, 2015
384p.;
ISBN : 9781869142865
\$ 48.50

Over four decades ago, radical scholars began to suggest a new way of looking at South African society, one that blamed the economic power of those who owned property for the racial bondage of the black majority. Their work, and the debates it triggered, are mostly forgotten: but they and their critics have much to say that sheds lights on today's South African realities.

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Riding the Samoosa Express : Personal Narratives of Marriage and Beyond / Zaheera Jina and Hasina Asvat
Cape Town, South Africa : Modjaji Books CC, 2015
185p.;
ISBN : 9781920590321
\$ 25.00

'The global ideology that prevails around the subject of Muslim women has been shaped by a description of women being voiceless, silent and oppressed. Other views have positioned Muslim women as either religious or secular and have ignored the complexity of Muslim women's experiences.' (Davids, 2003).

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