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Art

Maedeup: The Art of Traditional Korean Knots / Kim Hee-jin

Seoul: Hollym, 2006

160p. 1565912330 \$ 29.50

This book, written by Kim Hee-jin, a "Maedeup" master designated by the government as Intangible Cultural Asset No. 22, explains the craftsmanship and elegance of the traditional Korean knots, as well as its history and development, which demonstrates how "Maedeup" has evolved into a new textile art form based on modern art influences. The author reviews widespread traditional use of "Maedeup", from decorating royal ceremonial implements and musical instruments to clothing and home accessories for the noble class and decorations for Buddhist banners. The book also explains how to make basic knots by oneself and includes about hundred photos, illustrations.

History

Korea Witness: 135 Years of War, Crisis and News in the Land of the Morning Calm /Edited by Donald Kirk, Choe Sang-Hun

Seoul: EunHaengNaMu, 2006

455p.

455p. \$ 30.00

The foreign correspondent---covering the news in far off lands, often in difficult and sometimes dangerous conditions. It's a tough and often thankless job, where writers are far from home, at times culturally isolated, pressed by editors and deadlines, occasionally mocked by resentful local reporters, harassed by authorities and forced to keep up with the complex happening and events around them. Yet it is through their perseverance, determination and sacrifice that we can follow events on the other side of the globe, be it human interest stories in African villages or the scenes of carnage and war in Baghdad.

To mark the 50th anniversary of the founding of the Seoul Foreign Correspondents Club, the rather unassuming lounge in the upper floors of the Seoul Press Center where foreign correspondents often meet to unwind after a tough week of following Dynamic Korea, veteran foreign correspondent Donald Kirk, who has been in and out of Korea since 1972, and International Herald Tribune correspondent Choe Sang Hun have compiled "Korea Witness: 135 Years of War, Crisis and News in the Land of the Morning Calm." The work follows the long, illustrious and at times difficult path walked by generations of foreign correspondents who have come to Korea since 1871, when photographer Felice Beato became the first one when he landed with invading U.S. troops on Ganghwa Island.

At 455 pages, it's a hefty work, but one that Korean history buffs and/or students of journalism will eat up in no time flat. It's broken into eight sections, covering the history of foreign journalism in Korea from the first modern Western contacts with Korea at the close of the 19th century straight up to the present day. To say that the stories contained within are fascinating would be a major understatement. Follow Western correspondents as they covered the clashing armies of the Russo-Japanese, including Jack London's not-so-pleasant tour as a war correspondent. Read Choe Sang Hun recall how he---then a correspondent with AP---broke in 1999 the story of the killing of refugees by U.S. troops at Nogun-ri during the Korean War. Students of modern Korean history will no doubt want to read German journalist and cameraman Juergen Hinzpeter's account of covering the 1980 Gwangju Uprising. Or for that matter, Michael Breen's account of his trip to North Korea for late North Korean leader Kim Il-sung's third and last foreign press interview. Lesser-discussed issues---Japanese coverage of Korea during the colonial period, for instance---are also examined, making a read of the compilation an extremely rich and rewarding experience.

Korean Travel Literature / Kim Tae-Joon Seoul: Ewha Womans University Press, 2006 160p.

The Spirit of Korean Cultural Roots 16

\$ 16.00

Markets: Traditional Korean Society / Chung Seung-mo

Seoul: Ewha Womans University Press, 2006

The Spirit of Korean Cultural Roots 17

\$ 17.50

Law

Information Technology and Law: Computer Programs and Intellectual Property Law in US, Europe, Japan, Korea / Dae-Hwan Koo

Seoul: Bakyoungsa, 2005

510p. \$ 49.50

This rather professional book consists of seven chapters. Chapter 1 is introduction to this field. The second chapter deal the development of Compute Software and its Market. Chapter 3 deals Patent Protection of Software-related Inventions. Chapter 4 handles Business Method Patents and Protection by Patent Law. Chapter 5 deals Economic Review of Software Protection by Existing Regimes. Chapter 6 offers Alternative Proposals. Chapter 7 offers Evaluation, Conclusion and Suggestions. This book shows well how actively Korea is engaged into the technological and informative activities in the globalized society.

Official Publications

Annual report on the economically active Population Survey 2005

Korea: National Statistical Office, 2006

vi, 544 p.; 26 cm. ISSN: 1228-8411

\$ 29.50

Korea - Report on the Transport Survey 2004 Korea: Korea National Statistical Office, 2005

459 p.; 26 cm. ISSN: 1599-0630

\$ 30.00

Annual report on the Marriages and Divorces Statistics (Based on Vital Registration)

2005

Korea: Korea National Statistical Office, 2006

iv, 206 p.; 26 cm. ISSN: 1599-0478

\$ 25.00

Annual Report on the Internal Migration Statistics

Daejon: National Statistics Office, 2006

1228-9019 Korean & English

\$ 30.00

Resident of Registration Population: 2005 Daejon: National Statistics Office, 2006

1599-2152 Korean & English \$ 30.00

Annual Report on the Consumer Price Index: 2005

Daejon: National Statistics, Office, 2006

1228-8225 Korean & English

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Annual Report on the Household Income and Expenditure Survey : 2005

Daejon: National Statistics Office, 2006

1011-6222 Korean & English

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Farm Household Economy Survey Report: 2005

Daejon: National Statistics Office, 2006

1228-9345 Korean & English \$ 39.50

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Gross Regional Domestic Product and Expenditure: 2004

Daejon: National Statistics Office, 2006

1228-9477 Korean & English \$ 30.00

Politics

Developmental Dictatorship and The Park Chung-Hee Era: The Shaping of Modernity in the Republic of Korea

/ Edited by Lee Byeong-cheon

Seoul: Homa & Sekey Books, 2006

388p. \$ 56.60

By examining the controversial Park Chung-hee period (1961~1979), this book helps readers rediscover the socioeconomic origins of modern Korea. The essays in this book, written by twelve noted Korean social scientists, discuss the relationship between South Korea's economic development and totalitarianism in the form of the Park dictatorship. The book contests those who refuse to acknowledge the economic achievements made possible by Park's policies on the one hand and challenges those who glorify Park with blind admiration on the other. The authors maintain that it is necessary to comprehensively explore the meanings of development and dictatorship as they coexisted during the Park's tenure. This book is divided into 3 parts; Introduction and Overview of The Political Economy of Developmental Dictatorship, The Lights and Shadows of Economic Development, and Political Sociology of the Developmental Dictatorship Regime. Lee Byeong-cheon, the editor of this book, holds a PhD in economics at Seoul National University. He is a professor in the Department of Economics and International Trade at Gangwon National University.

Writing for Peace / Edited by Kim U-chang Seoul : Seoul Selection, 2006

648p. \$ 32.00

A comprehensive collection of essays originally presented at the hosted by the Daesan Foundation and the Arts Council Korea, held in May 2005.

Essays aim to analyze the source of war and conflict in the world, to examine the role of literature in world peace, to focus on the ideals of peace, the relationship between East and West, the reality of Western civilization versus the civilization of other countries, and the changing reality of literature.

In each essay, participants address the theme of peace and the questions related to the possibilities of peace. Participants include Nobel Prizing-winning author Oe Kenzaburo, other Nobel Prize nominees, renowned U.S. and European scholars and writers, and prominent Korean literary scholars and authors Kim Uchang, Paik Nakchung, Yu Jong-ho, and Hwang Seok-young, among others.

Proceedings provide proofs of cultural exchange, enabling a new understanding of the role of writers in contributing to world peace.

The Forum was divided into thirteen diverse sessions:

- -Session I: Human Values and Political Change
- -Session II: Literature and Human Universality
- -Session III: Ideals of Peace in the Korean Traditiona
- -Session IV: East Asian Ideas of World Order
- -Session V: Power, Human Values and Political Order: Dictatorships, Wars and Peace
- -Session VI: The Idea of Perpetual Peace
- -Session VII: Varities of Modernity in the World
- -Session VIII: Peace and Difference: Gender, Race, Religion
- -Session IX: Varieties of Western Modernity
- -Session X: Commonality of East Asian Culture: Past, Present and Future
- -Session XI: Technological Change and the Globalization of Communication
- -Session XII: Ecology, Sustainable Growth and Literature
- -Session XIII: Poverty and Stratification of the World

Sociology

Land Reforms and Korean Tenants / Hanhee Hahm

Taipei: ISEAR PROSEA, Information Service for East Asian Research and Program for Southeast Asian Area Studies, Academia Sinica, 1999

18 p. : ill. ; 30 cm. Includes Bibliography

ISEAR Occasional Paper No.5, June-1999

\$ 5.00

Land Reform in Korea Revisited: A Preliminary Report of Field Survey Results in Three Villages in Southeastern Korea / Seung Woo Park

Taipei : ISEAR PROSEA, Information Service for East Asian Research and Program for Southeast Asian Area Studies, Academia Sinica, 1999

26 p.: ill.; 30 cm. Includes Bibliography

ISEAR Occasional Paper No.6, June-1999

\$ 5.00

The Relationship between Tenants and their Religious Landlord in the Process of Land Reform: A Case Study of Sa-Ha Village in Poun-Gun, Chungchong Buk-Do, Korea / Kyonghee Min and Jin Chae Yoo

Taipei: ISEAR PROSEA, Information Service for East Asian Research and Program for Southeast Asian Area Studies, Academia Sinica, 1999

18 p. : ill. ; 30 cm. Includes Bibliography

ISEAR Occasional Paper No.7, June-1999

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