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University Senior Lecturer in Modern Japanese History
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EXPERIENCE

- UNIVERSITY OF CAMBRIDGE** Cambridge, UK
University Senior Lecturer in Modern Japanese History, 2006 - Present
Department of East Asian Studies
Director of Studies at Corpus Christi College for Asian and Middle Eastern Studies
- U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE** Washington, DC
Political Officer, East Asian Affairs 2005-2006
- DAVIDSON COLLEGE** Davidson, North Carolina
Assistant Professor of East Asian History 2002 - 2005
- SHENYANG TEACHER'S UNIVERSITY** Shenyang, People's Republic of China
University Lecturer Fall Semester 1996
- NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR RESEARCH ADVANCEMENT** Tokyo, Japan
Translator/Editor June 1995 - August 1996
- BERNARD ZELL DAY SCHOOL** Chicago, Illinois
Upper School Teacher August 1990 - July 1992

EDUCATION

- PRINCETON UNIVERSITY** Princeton, NJ
Ph.D. in Japanese History August 1997 - August 2002
- NATIONAL TAIWAN UNIVERSITY** Taipei, Taiwan
Advanced Chinese Language Study and Research December 2000 - December 2001
- UNIVERSITY OF TOKYO** Tokyo, Japan
Dissertation Research September 1999 - December 2000
- BEIJING NORMAL UNIVERSITY** Beijing, China
Intensive Chinese Language Study Summer 1997, 1998
- INTER-UNIVERSITY CENTER** Yokohama, Japan
Advanced Graduate Program in Intensive Japanese August 1994 - June 1995
- BRANDEIS UNIVERSITY** Waltham, MA
B.A. in History May 1990

PUBLICATIONS

Single Author Monographs (Peer Reviewed)

Slurp!: A culinary and social history of ramen, Japan's favorite noodle soup (forthcoming in 2012 from Global Oriental Press), ISBN 978-90-04-21845-1

The Thought War - Japanese Imperial Propaganda, Honolulu: University of Hawaii Press, 2006 (paperback 2007), ISBN 978-0824829209

Book chapters (Peer Reviewed)

"Unwarranted attention: the image of Japan in twentieth century Chinese humour," in Jessica Davis and Jocelyn Chey, eds., *Humour in Chinese Life and Letters: volume 2, "Modern and Contemporary Approaches,"* (forthcoming from Hong Kong University Press)

"Sweetness and Empire: Sugar Consumption in Imperial Japan," in Janet Hunter and Penelope Francks, eds., *The Historical Consumer: Consumption and Everyday Life in Japan, 1850-2000*, London: Palgrave Macmillan, 2011), p. 127-150, ISBN 978-0230273665

"Going for the Gold - Health and Sports in Japan's Quest for Modernity," in William Tsutsui and Michael Baskett, eds., *The East Asian Olympiads, 1934-2008: Building Bodies and Nations in Japan, Korea, and China*, Folkestone: Global Oriental, 2011, p. 34-48, ISBN 978-9004212213

"Imperial Cuisines in Taishô Foodways," in Eric Rath and Stephanie Stassman, editors, *Past and Present in Japanese Foodways*, Chicago: University of Illinois Press, 2010, p. 145-165, ISBN 978-0252035630

"Planes, Trains and Games – Selling Japan's War in Asia," in Jennifer Purtle and Hans Bjarne Thomsen, eds., *Looking Modern, Taisho Japan and the Modern Era*, Chicago: The University of Chicago Press, 2009, p. 243-264, ISBN 978-1588861054

"Introduction" to Peter O'Connor edited, *Critical Readings on Japan, 1906-1948: Countering Japan's Agenda in East Asia*, Volume 3, [Montaville Flowers (1868-1934): *The Japanese Conquest of American Opinion* (1917), New York: George H. Doran Co, Peter de Mendelssohn (1908-1982): *Japan's Political Warfare* (1944)], London: Global Oriental Publishers, 2008, p. vii – xvii, ISBN 978-1905246786

"Introduction" to Peter O'Connor edited, *Critical Readings on Japan, 1906-1948: Countering Japan's Agenda in East Asia*, Volume 6, [Harry Emerson Wildes (1890-1982): *Social Currents in Japan, With Special Reference to the Press*, Chicago: University of Chicago Press, (1927)], London: Global Oriental Publishers, 2008, p. vii – xviii, ISBN 978-1905246786

"Godzilla as Japan's First Postwar Media Event," in William Tsutsui, ed., *In Godzilla's Footsteps: Japanese Pop Culture Icons on the Global Stage*, New York: Palgrave Macmillan, 2006, p. 41-51, ISBN 978-1403964632

Journal Articles (Peer Reviewed)

"Traacherous Allies: The Cold War in East Asia and American Postwar Anxiety," *Journal of Contemporary History*, October 2010, p. 1-34.

"Pawns of Empire: Postwar Taiwan, Japan and the Dilemma of War Crimes," in *Japanese Studies*, (Special issue on Japan and Taiwan), Vol. 30, No. 1, May 2010: 111-133. [Also published in a book; see "Pawns of

Empire: Postwar Taiwan, Japan and the Dilemma of War Crimes,” in Adam Clulow, ed., *Statecraft and Spectacle in East Asia* (Studies in Taiwan-Japan Relations), London: Routledge, 2010, p. 108 -130]

“Nationality and Nostalgia: The Manipulation of Memory in Japan, Taiwan, and China since 1990,” XXIX.4, *The International History Review*, December 2007, p. 793-820.

Co-authored with Sato Masaharu, “Digesting Postwar Japanese Media: American Propaganda in Occupied Japan,” *Diplomatic History*, January 2005, p. 27-48.

“Laughter as Materiel: The Mobilization of Comedy in Japan’s Fifteen-Year War,” volume xxvi, 2 (June 2004), *The International History Review*, p. 300-330.

Entries for “Japan,” “World War II (Pacific),” and “Tokyo Rose” in *Propaganda and Mass Persuasion: A Historical Encyclopedia, 1500 to the Present*, edited by David Culbert, David Welch, Nicholas John Cull, NY: ABC-Clio Publishers, 2003.

Co-authored with Sato Masaharu, “‘Negro Propaganda Operations’: Japan’s Short-wave Radio Broadcasts for World War II Black Americans,” *Historical Journal of Film, Radio and Television*, 1999, 19(1), p. 5-26. Awarded editorial award for best article by junior scholars.

“Cannibalizing Japanese Media - The Case of Issei Sagawa,” *Journal of Popular Culture*, vol. 31:3 Winter 1997, p. 55-68.

Translations and Miscellaneous Writings

“The Drive to Mobilize Wartime Society,” in Alan Marcuson’s catalogue, *Dreams of Empire: Japanese Propaganda Textiles*, Cassochrome Publishers, Belgium, 2011, p. 9-25. ISBN 978-0-615-44038-5 (Available at www.marcusonandhall.com)

“Liang Qichao and Western Modernity: An Analysis of His Translations of the Term ‘Political Economy’ by Mori Tokihiko,” (translated by Barak Kushner and Joshua A. Fogel) in *The Role of Japan in Liang Qichao’s Introduction of Modern Western Civilization to China* (ed. Joshua A. Fogel), University of California, Berkeley: Institute of East Asian Studies, 2004, p. 15-39, ISBN 978-1557290809

Entries for “Japan,” “World War II (Pacific),” and “Tokyo Rose” in *Propaganda and Mass Persuasion: A Historical Encyclopedia, 1500 to the Present*, edited by David Culbert, David Welch, Nicholas John Cull, NY: ABC-Clio Publishers, 2003.

Awaya Kentaro, “Controversies Surrounding the Asian-Pacific War: The Tokyo War Crimes Trial (translated by Barak Kushner),” in Phillip West, et al, eds., *America’s War in Asia: A Cultural Approach to History and Memory*, Armonk, NY: M.E. Sharpe, 1997, p. 221-232, ISBN 978-0765602367

Online Publications

“Is that really funny? – humor and identity in Japan and China,” online essay for the New York Japan Society, ([http://aboutjapan.japansociety.org/content.cfm/is_that_really_funny_humor_and_identity_in_japan_and_chi na](http://aboutjapan.japansociety.org/content.cfm/is_that_really_funny_humor_and_identity_in_japan_and_china))

“Food History & National Myths” online essay for the New York Japan Society, (http://aboutjapan.japansociety.org/content.cfm/food_history__national_myths)

“Whose Islands Are They? If a politician yells in the middle of the ocean, does anyone hear? How a Japanese educational directive about its territory has reopened old wounds,” *New Statesman*, July 21, 2008.

<http://www.newstatesman.com/asia/2008/07/japan-islands-korea>)

“The Hitler costume fiasco shows Japan has lost touch with its past,”
<http://www.guardian.co.uk/commentisfree/2010/dec/13/japan-hitler-outfit-past>)

SELECTED PRESENTATIONS

“Ghosts of Imperial Japan: Chinese Nationalists, Imperial Japanese and the Curious Plot to Defend Post-war Taiwan,” Institute of Historical Research, University of London, February 2, 2012.

“Nothing to laugh at: Chinese humor and the image of Japan,” University of Sydney (Australia), co-hosted by the Australasia Humour Studies Network, December 13, 2011.

“Chinese Checkers or Japanese Imperial Chess? Postwar Japanese War Criminals and Chinese Justice,” invited keynote speech at the *Japanese History Workshop Australia*, Murdoch University (Perth, Australia), December 2, 2011.

“Learning to Slurp: History, Noodles and Popular Culture in Japan,” *Third Thursday Lecture* at the Sainsbury Institute for Japanese Arts and Cultures, Norwich, October 20, 2011.

“Love Statues: De-Construction of Japanese Imperial Monuments to War,” *Imperial Sites of Memory Conference*, University of St Andrews, September 2, 2011.

“What happened to Japanese soldiers in postwar China and what did the Chinese do to them?” The Cambridge and Oxford Society of Tokyo, Japan, July 22, 2011.

“Sino-Japan Relations from the Immediate Postwar to the Cold War: Examining War Crimes through China’s ‘Magnanimous Policy’ and the ‘White Group,’” (終戦直後から冷戦までの日中関係：「以德報怨」と「白団」のエピソードから戦犯問題を考察する), International Foreign Policy Studies Group, Nishogakusha University, July 21, 2011. (Delivered in Japanese)

“Postwar Sino-Japan Relations: Through the Looking Glass at Historical Studies on War Crimes and Treason Trials, (零度のエクリテュール, 戦後日中関係における: 漢奸裁判をめぐる歴史学), Aichi University, Toyohashi, Japan. July 17, 2011. (Delivered in Japanese)

“Empire’s Little Helpers: Juvenile Crime and the State in East Asia, 1900-2000,” Keynote speech at the conference, *Juvenile Delinquency in the 19th and 20th Centuries: East-West Comparisons*, Humboldt University, Berlin, Germany, March 13, 2011.

“Slurping the way to delicious: 19th and early 20th century Japanese food culture and the history of ramen,” Royal Asiatic Society, London, March 10, 2011.

“A Brief Comparison of KMT and CCP War Crimes Trials of Japanese and Postwar Political Goals in East Asia,” (日本の戦犯裁判: 日中関係の歴史を観察する), Saitama University, Japan, January 6, 2011. (Delivered in Japanese)

“The ‘White Group’: The Role of Japanese Imperial Soldiers in China’s Civil War and the Struggle for International Legitimacy,” Department of History, Penn State University, October 25, 2010.

“The Devil Inside: the image of Japan in 20th century Chinese humor,” Department of Comparative Literature, Penn State University, October 25, 2010.

“Enemies of a Kind: Chiang Kai Shek and Okamura Yasuji's military efforts in Taiwan to retake the mainland,” *SOAS conference on Taiwan history 1949-1975*, SOAS, London, UK, September 25, 2010.

“When Empire Fails: Postwar Japanese Imperial Military Efforts in Taiwan, Re-assessing the Postwar,” National Chengchi University, Taipei, Taiwan, September 6, 2010.

“The history of sugar consumption in Japan,” at *The Historical Consumer: Consumption and Everyday Life in Japan, 1850-2000* conference at the London School of Economics, July 29, 2010.

“An Unsatisfying Peace: Postwar Sino-Japan Relations and War Crimes Trials,” as part of the conference, *The ‘Long Arc’ of Sino-Japanese Relations: Chinese Perspectives on War, Cooperation, and Conflict Across Three Eras*, June 17, 2010, Oxford University.

Invited panelist to the Asahi Shimbun sponsored symposium on the role of media in Japanese history (朝日新聞シンポジウム昭和報道：検証), June 4, 2010, Tokyo, Japan. (Delivered in Japanese).

“Defining the Enemy: Early Cold War Sino-Japan Relations and the Paradox of International Law, Rowan University, New Jersey (USA), April 13, 2010.

“Japanese Love Statues and Chinese Prisons: Early Cold War Sino-Japanese Relations and WWII War Crimes,” Sigur Center for Asian Studies, George Washington University, Washington DC (USA), April 8, 2010.

Chair and commentator of “Ruptured Childhoods: Children in Wartime East Asia” panel at AAS conference, Philadelphia, March 25, 2010.

“China’s Past, China’s Future”, keynote talk at the Oundle School, Oundle, UK, March 12, 2010.

“Dealing With the ‘Devil’ - Analyzing Postwar Chinese Trials of Japanese War Criminals,” Truman Institute for the Advancement of Peace, Hebrew University (Jerusalem, Israel), January 4, 2010.

“日本戦犯の審判：中日關係歷史之觀察,” (Japanese War Crimes: Observations on Sino-Japanese Historical Relations – the case of Taiwan) at the conference hosted at Taiwan National University, 交界與游移-近現代東亞的文化傳譯與知識生產 (The Shifting Sands of Common Boundaries – Interpretation and Production of Knowledge in Modern East Asia) September 10, 2009, Taipei, Taiwan. (Delivered in Chinese)

“Legalizing Guilt: Law and Early Cold War Sino-Japanese Relations,” in panel *New Thoughts on Old Paradigms: Re-assessing the Early Cold War in East Asia*, at International Convention of Asian Scholars, Daejeon, South Korea, August 7, 2009.

“The WWII Japanese and Chinese struggle for hearts and minds,” Waseda University, Japan, June 15, 2009.

“The historical baggage of Japanese war criminals in China: explaining the immediate postwar in East Asia,” lecture at Occidental College, Los Angeles (USA), April 1, 2009.

“Victim’s Justice: Early Cold War East Asia and the Pursuit of a New Order,” on the panel *The Impact of China: Experience on the Construction of Modern Japanese Identity*, Association for Asian Studies annual conference, Chicago, March 27, 2009.

“Devils to men and men to devils - unraveling postwar Chinese war crimes trials of Japanese POWs,” Centre for East Asian Studies, University of Bristol, February 9, 2009.

“Nationalism and Popular Food Culture in Modern Japan,” SOAS Food Studies Centre, London, November 28, 2008.

“日本战犯的审判：中日关系历史之观察,” (Japan War Crimes Trials: Observations on postwar Sino-Japan Relations) talk delivered in Chinese, History Department, Nanjing University, China, September 25, 2008.

“Eating Your Way to Democracy: Japan's Postwar Politics of Food,” Soga Japan Center Speaker Series at Western Michigan University, April 15, 2008.

“Going for the Gold: Health and Sports in Japan's Quest for Modernity,” delivered at *Olympian Desires: Building Bodies and Nations in East Asia*; A Symposium at the University of Kansas, April 10, 2008.

“Nationalism and food in East Asia; hygiene, dining and imperial pageantry,” in the World History Seminar at St. Catharine’s College, University of Cambridge, March 6, 2008.

“拉麵與民主主義：飲食的殖民地化,” (Noodles and Nationalism: the Colonization of Cuisine), December 7, 2007, History Department, National Taiwan University, Taipei, Taiwan. (Delivered in Chinese).

“The Colonization of Cuisine and the Translation of Empire,” at the *Translation: East Asia and the West International Conference for Junior Scholars*, December 4, 2007, National Taiwan Normal University, Taipei, Taiwan.

“The Meiji restoration was a menu revolution - diplomacy and dining in early modern Japan,” at the Japan Research Centre, SOAS, London, November 21, 2007.

“Adjudicating Imperialism in Postwar East Asia: War Crimes Trials and the Cold War in Japan,” at the *East Asia in International Relations: Power, Institutions, and Identity*: Asian Seminar Series at Oxford University, October 24, 2007.

“Noodling around Asia: the politics of eating in Taisho era Japan,” *Modern Japan History Workshop*, Waseda University, Tokyo, September 7, 2007.

“The Cold War in East Asia-Memory and Loathing,” at *Crossing Boundaries in Cold War Studies Conference*, University of Cambridge, May 4, 2007.

“A short history of Japanese cuisine and the meaning of banquets in diplomacy,” invited dinner lecture for the *Shibusawa/Suntory Workshop in Cambridge on the Two Bilateral Relations with the Superpower*, University of Cambridge, March 26, 2007.

“Japan's postwar circus and breadlines - national diet and demobilization,” at the Oxford Princeton Workshop, *Making Order in the Post-war World: A Comparative Study of Europe and East Asia in the 1940s and 1950s*, History Faculty, Oxford University, March 23, 2007.

“What do *manga* tell us about Japanese history and why should we care? Manga to rekishi, nani zoya?” Annual Cambridge lecture (in English and Japanese) at Chaucer College Canterbury, UK, February 2, 2007.

The role of *kamishibai* in “The Art of War: Media Representations, Propaganda, and Public Opinion during the Sino-Japanese Conflict, 1931-1945.” Panel at the Association for Asian Studies annual meeting, San Francisco, April 6, 2006.

“Sino-Japanese Relations: More Hot than Sour.” Keynote speaker at Alaska World Affairs Council, Anchorage, Alaska, March 31, 2006.

“Torture and Intelligence – How America forgot what it learned from the Chinese Communists.” Invited talk at Indiana State University, March 2, 2006.

“American Media in Asia and the Cold War.” Invited lecturer in the American Studies Department at Brandeis University, MA, October 6, 2005.

“Historical Typhoons – Comic Nationalism in Taiwan and China.” Panel organizer and presenter at The International Association of the Historians of Asia Conference, Taipei, Taiwan, December 7, 2004.

“*Godzilla* as Postwar Media Event.” Invited paper delivered at *In Godzilla's Footsteps: Japanese pop Culture Icons on the Global Stage*, Kansas University, October 29, 2004.

“Planes, Trains and Games: Selling Japan's War in Asia.” Invited paper presented at *Looking Modern: East Asian Visual Culture from the Treaty Ports to World War II Symposium*, The University of Chicago, April 24, 2004.

“Comic Books and Competitive Nationalism in East Asia,” Juneau World Affairs Council and Pacific Rim Forum, in collaboration with the University of Alaska Southeast's Annual Humanities Forum, April 3, 2004.

“Converging Notions of Taiwanese and Japanese Nationalism.” Invited speaker at the Alaska World Affairs Council, Anchorage, Alaska, April 2, 2004.

“Japanese Comedy and the War,” National Consortium for Teaching about Asia, teaching training workshop at the University of Alaska Anchorage, April 1, 2004.

“Japan, Propaganda and the War,” Northeast Pacific Rim Seminar, University of Alaska Anchorage, invited guest speaker, April 1, 2004.

“The WWII Japanese Struggle for Hearts and Minds on the Chinese Mainland.” Paper presented at the Japan History & Culture Study Group, Duke University, November 21, 2003.

“Digesting Postwar Japan Media.” Paper presented at the German Institute of Japan, Tokyo, Japan, July 3, 2003.

Invited main speaker for “War and Media” conference at Tokyo University. “第二次世界大戦に於ける日本の宣伝活動と宣伝：冷戦の交錯,” (Japanese World War Two Propaganda Activities - the intersection of the Cold War and propaganda), June 30, 2003. (Presented in Japanese)

“Tracherous Behavior - Japanese Propaganda and Allied POWs in World War Two.” Paper presented in Japanese and English at the Cultural Typhoon Conference, Waseda University, Japan, June 28, 2003.

“Tracherous Allies: Wartime Japanese POW Propaganda and Cold War Politics.” Center for Asian and Pacific Studies Lecture at University of Oregon, Eugene, May 30, 2003.

“Historical Typhoons – the convergence of Japanese and Taiwanese historical memory.” Talk presented at the *War and Warriors in Popular Japanese Culture* conference at Davidson College, March 24, 2003.

“A Funny Thing Happened to Me on the Way to the Front: Japanese Comedic Performers and the Fifteen

Year War.” Paper delivered at the Association for Asian Studies Annual Conference, Washington, DC, April 5, 2002.

“Propaganda across Frontiers: Japanese and Chinese Struggles to Mobilize.” Paper presented at the American Historical Association Annual Conference, San Francisco, January 4, 2002.

“The Use of Japanese POWs in Chinese Communist and Nationalist Wartime Propaganda.” Talk presented at the International Chinese Language Program at Taiwan National University, Taipei, Taiwan, July 18, 2001.

“Jugonen senso ni okeru nihon no goraku to senden: imonbutai, gaichi to naichi no tsunagari,” (Entertainment and Propaganda in the Fifteen Year War: Entertainment Platoons and the Link Between the Motherland and the Occupied Areas). Paper presented at the Nihon Gendai Shisoshi Association, Modern Japanese Intellectual History Association, Waseda University, Tokyo, Japan, October 2000. (Presented in Japanese)

“Firipin ni okeru nihon senden,” (Japanese Propaganda in the Philippines). Paper presented at the Mediashi Kenkyukai, Media Studies Association Conference, Seijo University, May 1996. (Presented in Japanese)

HONORS AND FELLOWSHIPS

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|---|-----------------|
| Member of a Japanese Ministry of Education collaborative fellowship for junior scholars
Concerning and international collaborative research project on “Taiwanese War Criminals,
World War Two and Japanese Imperialism,” conducted with Dr. Wada Hideho of
Shōkei University, Kyushu, Japan and Dr. Shi-chi (Mike) Lan at Nanyang
University in Singapore | 2011-2013 |
| British Academy Short Term Grant to Academia Sinica, Taiwan for research project,
“When Empire Fails, Legally Deconstructing Japanese War Crimes and the Postwar
Question of Nationality” | Summer 2010 |
| Taiwanese Ministry of Education Foreign Summer Grant 2010, part of international
team exploring the project “Postwar Taiwanese History, 1950-1960” | Summer 2010 |
| British Academy Conference Grant to co-host December 2010 international conference, entitled <i>Regional
and National Identities in the Cold War in East Asia: the integration of East Asian and Western Perspectives
(1945-1991)</i>
Grant from Anglo-Japanese Daiwa Foundation to co-host same conference
Grant from Great Britain Sasakawa Foundation to co-host same conference | Summer 2010 |
| Taiwanese Ministry of Education Foreign Summer Grant 2009, part of
international team exploring the project “Exploring the Cultural Faces of Taiwan
1945-1960” | Summer 2009 |
| Abe Fellowship (supported by The Japan Foundation Center for Global
Partnership, the Social Science Research Council, and the American Council of
Learned Societies) | 2008-2010 |
| Japan Foundation Endowment Committee Grant | Summer 2007 |
| Freeman Foundation grant for travel and research in Japan, Korea, China and
Mongolia | Summer '03, '04 |

David L. Boren National Security Education Program (NSEP) Graduate International Fellowship in Taiwan	2000 - 2001
Fulbright IIE Dissertation Graduate Fellowship to Japan	1999 - 2000
Princeton University History Department Fellowship	1997 - 2002
Indiana University Academic Year FLAS Fellowship	1993 - 1995
Indiana University Summer FLAS Fellowships	Summer 1992, 1994

BOOK REVIEWS

Reading Food in Modern Japanese Literature, by Tomoko Aoyama, University of Hawai'i Press, 2008, *Journal of Japanese Studies*, (Summer 2011), p. 507-512.

IMPERIAL JAPAN AT ITS ZENITH, The Wartime Celebration of the Empire's 2,600th Anniversary, A Study of the Weatherhead East Asian Institute, Columbia University, 2010, by Kenneth J. Ruoff, *Times Literary Supplement* (UK), April 22, 2011, p. 28.

Japan's Holy War: The Ideology of Radical Shinto Ultrationalism, Durham, NC: Duke University Press, 2009, By Walter Skya. *Japan Forum*, Vol. 22, No. 1-2, (March-June 2010): 248-252.

Memory Maps: The State and Manchuria in Postwar Japan, Honolulu, HI: University of Hawaii Press, 2009, By Mariko Asano Tamanoi. *The International History Review*, 32.1, (March 2010) p. 175-178.

Long review of *War Memory, Nationalism and Education in Postwar Japan, 1945–2007: the Japanese History Textbook Controversy and Ienaga Saburo's Court Challenges*, By Yoshiko Nozaki. New York: Routledge, 2008; *Yasukuni, the War Dead, and the Struggle for Japan's Past*, By John Breen, ed. London: Hurst and Co., 2007. *The International Journal of Asian Studies*, volume 6, issue 02, p. 253-259.

Certain Victory: Images of World War II in the Japanese Media. By David C. Earhart, *Monumenta Nipponica*, Vol. 64 No. 1 (Spring 2009).

Academic Nations in China and Japan: Framed by Concepts of Nature, Culture and the Universal, London: Routledge, 2003. By Margaret Sleebom. *Japan Forum*, Vol. 20, No. 3, (November 2008): 439-442.

The Nanking Atrocity, 1937-38: Complicating the Picture, New York: Berghahn Books, 2007. By Bob Tadashi Wakabayashi, ed., *The International History Review*, (September 2008): 667 – 670.

Kamikaze Diaries: Reflections of Japanese Student Soldiers. By Emiko Ohnuki-Tierney. *Monumenta Nipponica*, Vol. 62 No. 1 (Spring 2007): 121-124.

Letters from Iwo Jima. By Kumiko Kakehashi. *BBC History*, (June 2007): 60-61.

Coming Out Under Fire, Directed by Arthur Dong; DVD from Deep Focus Productions, 2003 (review), *The Moving Image*, 7:2, (2007): 117-119.

PROFESSIONAL COMMITTEES

Outside reader for the University of Hawaii Press, Palgrave Macmillan UK, University of California

Press, University of British Columbia Press

Peer reviewer for *Journal of Japanese Studies*, *Japanese Studies*, *Asian Studies Review*, *Asian Security*, *Modern Asian Studies*, *Diplomatic History*, *Journal of Contemporary History*, and *International Relations of the Asia-Pacific*

Historical Consultant to the Japan Society (New York) – 2004, 2006 - present

History Merit Review Panelist for the 2003 National Security Education Program (NSEP) David L. Boren Graduate Fellowship

FOREIGN LANGUAGES

Fluent in Japanese (Passed the Japanese National Language Proficiency Exam at highest level, 1995)

Fluent in Chinese

Fluent in French