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A Note from the International Rights Manager

Welcome to Princeton's rights guide for the 2019 London Book Fair! It is our pleasure to share here a selection of PUP's forthcoming titles with our publishing partners around the world. Our timely selection of titles this spring touch on the pulse of current debates and global issues and we hope there will be something of interest for everybody.

Our rights guide is bursting with offerings from the social sciences and economics this fair. This year sees the publication of the eagerly anticipated new book by Robert Shiller, *Narrative Economics*, which brings us a new theory of economic change. On the topic of technology and economics, we have two titles which are already generating lots of interest, *The Technology Trap* and *Digital Cash*, while among others Yael Tamir's *Why Nationalism* and *A Lot of People Are Saying* by Russell Muirhead and Nancy Rosenblum tackle some of the world's current political issues.

In our humanities section, Justin E. H. Smith's *Irrationality* takes a timely look at the idea of unreason while on a lighter counterpoint, I am also delighted to see two more additions to our *Ancient Wisdom for the Modern Reader* series. *How to Keep Your Cool* and *How to Think About War* offer some sage advice for our times from the classic thinkers Seneca and Thucydides.

From the sciences, we have a pair of titles on two of the world's most fascinating species, the honey bee and the butterfly, with much to learn from them about the conservation of our world. Looking further afield, *More Things in the Heavens* shows us how the often overlooked field of infrared astronomy is expanding our view of the universe.

Enjoy!

Rebecca Bengoechea
International Rights Manager
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From Nobel Prize–winning economist and *New York Times* bestselling author Robert Shiller, a new way to think about how popular stories help drive economic events

In this groundbreaking book, Nobel Prize–winning economist and *New York Times* bestselling author Robert Shiller offers a new way to think about the economy and economic change. Using a rich array of historical examples and data, Shiller argues that studying popular stories that affect individual and collective economic behavior—what he calls “narrative economics”—has the potential to vastly improve our ability to predict, prepare for, and lessen the damage of financial crises, recessions, depressions, and other major economic events.

“This is a fascinating and important book, written in an engaging style and packed with intriguing examples.”

—Diane Coyle, University of Cambridge

**Why It Will Sell**

Explains how popular stories go viral and contribute to major economic events such as booms and crashes.

Introduces a new way of thinking about, and guiding, economic change to the field.

Author a nobel prize winner who’s previous work has been translated into 30 languages.

A candid assessment of why the job market is not as healthy we think

Don’t trust low unemployment numbers as proof that the labor market is doing fine—it isn’t. *Not Working* is about those who can’t find full-time work at a decent wage—the underemployed—and how their plight is contributing to widespread despair, a worsening drug epidemic, and the unchecked rise of right-wing populism.

Standard economic measures are often blind to these forgotten workers, which is why Blanchflower practices the “economics of walking about”—seeing for himself how ordinary people are faring under the recovery, and taking seriously what they say and do. *Not Working* is his candid report on how the young and the less skilled are among the worst casualties of underemployment, how immigrants are taking the blame, and how the epidemic of unhappiness and self-destruction will continue to spread unless we deal with it.

**DAVID G. BLANCHFLOWER**

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**Why It Will Sell**

Colourful and passionate look at the hidden problems in the labour market and the ties between unhappiness and unemployment.

Explores how economists and policymakers can better address the problem.

Global in scope with analysis and examples from around the world.

Final PDF: March 2019

Editor: Joe Jackson

424 pages. 32 b/w illus. 21 tables.

Economics | Politics
How the history of technological revolutions can help us better understand economic and political polarization in the age of automation

From the Industrial Revolution to the age of artificial intelligence, *The Technology Trap* takes a sweeping look at the history of technological progress and how it has radically shifted the distribution of economic and political power among society's members.

“Will machines equipped with artificial intelligence render the human race redundant? Is work as we know it about to end? *The Technology Trap* draws on the experiences of the first and second Industrial Revolutions, and the first Computer Revolution, to answer some of the burning questions of our time. Frey’s key point—that technological disruption of the labor market is usually painful in the short run, whatever innovation’s long-run benefits—is of vital importance to voters and policymakers alike.”

—Niall Ferguson, Hoover Institution, Stanford University

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**Why It Will Sell**

Highly original take on an issue central to all our lives, and those of generations to come; AI, automation, and the future of work. Argues that to thrive in the future, we need to ensure the benefits of automation are shared equally throughout society. Unique in both its historical context and policy considerations for the future.
The fascinating untold story of digital cash and its creators—from experiments in the 1970s to the mania over Bitcoin and other cryptocurrencies

Bitcoin may appear to be a revolutionary form of digital cash without precedent or prehistory. In fact, it is only the best-known recent experiment in a long line of similar efforts going back to the 1970s. Filled with marvelous characters, stories, and ideas, Digital Cash is an engaging and accessible account of the strange origins and remarkable technologies behind today’s cryptocurrency explosion.

“A fascinating and important book that addresses big questions about cryptocurrency: What is money? How can virtual things have lasting value? And what does the explosion of cryptocurrency mean for the global economy? I can’t think of another book on the subject that accomplishes so much in such a concise and readable way.”

—Nathan Ensmenger, author of The Computer Boys Take Over

Why It Will Sell

Incredibly timely history of digital cash as Bitcoin and others become genuine rivals to traditional financial system.

Tells the fascinating stories of the hackers, anarchists, libertarians, and paranoids that created various cryptocurrencies.

Author’s previous titles translated into Japanese, Polish, and Korean.

Final PDF: March 2019
Editor: Eric Crahan
272 pages.
A masterful introduction to the key ideas behind the successes—and failures—of free-market economics

Since 1946, Henry Hazlitt’s bestselling *Economics in One Lesson* has popularized the belief that economics can be boiled down to one simple lesson: market prices represent the true cost of everything. But one-lesson economics tells only half the story. It can explain why markets often work so well, but it can’t explain why they often fail so badly—or what we should do when they stumble. As Nobel Prize–winning economist Paul Samuelson quipped, “When someone preaches ‘Economics in one lesson,’ I advise: Go back for the second lesson.” In *Economics in Two Lessons*, John Quiggin teaches both lessons, offering a masterful introduction to the key ideas behind the successes—and failures—of free markets.

“A brilliant book. People often try to write for readers who know no economics, but they rarely succeed. This book is an exception.”

—Roger Backhouse, author of *The Ordinary Business of Life: A History of Economics from the Ancient World to the Twenty-First Century*

**Why It Will Sell**

Offers a simple and clearly-stated counterpoint to Henry Hazlitt’s classic text, and argues for government intervention in markets for the good of society. Author has a committed following through his books and his blogs; [johnquiggin.com](http://johnquiggin.com) and his previous book was translated into 9 languages.

Clear and engaging writing style.

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An exposé of fragmented trading platforms, poor governance, and exploitative practices in today’s capital markets

Capital markets have undergone a dramatic transformation in the past two decades. Algorithmic high-speed supercomputing has replaced traditional floor trading and human market makers, while centralized exchanges that once ensured fairness and transparency have fragmented into a dizzying array of competing exchanges and trading platforms. *Darkness by Design* exposes the unseen perils of market fragmentation and “dark” markets, some of which are deliberately designed to enable the transfer of wealth from the weak to the powerful.

“Walter Mattli’s excellent book looks at the technological revolution that led to the fragmentation of today’s security exchanges and trading floors. Innovations such as algorithmic trading and dark pools present significant challenges to market participants on issues ranging from efficiency and transparency to fairness and investor protection. Mattli’s brilliant analysis is an eye-opener.”

—Effi Benmelech, Northwestern University

*WALTER MATTLI* is professor of international political economy and a fellow of St. John’s College, University of Oxford. His books include *The New Global Rulers* and *The Politics of Global Regulation.*

**Why It Will Sell**

Why today’s markets are largely unmanaged, ungoverned, and riddled with conflicts of interest; this book is a call to action to restore oversight.

Drawing on interviews with economists globally, this book has immediate real-world implications and reaches across fields of political economy, international law, and finance.

Final PDF: Available
Editor: Bridget Flannery-McCoy
264 pages. 17 b/w illus. 13 tables.

POLITICS | ECONOMICS | LAW
A compelling explanation of how the law shapes the distribution of wealth

Capital is the defining feature of modern economies, yet most people have no idea where it actually comes from. What is it, exactly, that transforms mere wealth into an asset that automatically creates more wealth? *The Code of Capital* explains how capital is created behind closed doors in the offices of private attorneys, and why this little-known fact is one of the biggest reasons for the widening wealth gap between the holders of capital and everybody else.

“This is a fascinating book that demonstrates how the rights of capital have been entrenched in the international legal system. *The Code of Capital* opens the way for a thoughtful discussion about the treaties on capital flows and privileges that need to be rewritten. A must-read.”

—Thomas Piketty, author of *Capital in the Twenty-First Century*

**KATHARINA PISTOR** is the Edwin B. Parker Professor of Comparative Law and director of the Center on Global Legal Transformation at Columbia Law School. She is the coauthor of *Law and Capitalism*.

**Why It Will Sell**
Offers a significant step forward in the general discussion on inequality.
With an interdisciplinary and global approach, it explains how the way in which capital is created through the legal system engenders inequality.
Author’s previous book translated into Chinese and Portuguese.

Final PDF: Available
Editor: Joe Jackson
304 pages.

**PRINCETON UNIVERSITY PRESS**
How religious beliefs and practices can influence the wealth of nations

Which countries grow faster economically — those with strong beliefs in heaven and hell or those with weak beliefs in them? Does religious participation matter? Why do some countries experience secularization while others are religiously vibrant? In *The Wealth of Religions*, Rachel McCleary and Robert Barro draw on their long record of pioneering research to examine these and many other aspects of the economics of religion.

“This truly impressive book demonstrates how religion and the wealth of nations are intimately linked. Rachel McCleary and Robert Barro present pathbreaking empirical research in a way that makes for an enjoyable read. A must-read for everyone with an interest in the role of religion in society in past and present.”

—Sascha O. Becker, University of Warwick

**Why It Will Sell**

Fascinating and broad look at religion and society from an economic perspective; how religion affects economies and vice versa.

Features authors’ groundbreaking work over 15 years, alongside related research which has helped define the economics of religion.

Authors’ previous work translated into multiple languages.

Final PDF: Available
Editor: Joe Jackson
160 pages. 5 b/w illus. 2 tables.
Why nationalism is a permanent political force—and how it can be harnessed once again for liberal ends

Around the world today, nationalism is back—and it’s often deeply troubling. Populist politicians exploit nationalism for authoritarian, chauvinistic, racist, and xenophobic purposes, reinforcing the view that it is fundamentally reactionary and antidemocratic. But Yael (Yuli) Tamir makes a passionate argument for a very different kind of nationalism—one that revives its participatory, creative, and egalitarian virtues, answers many of the problems caused by neoliberalism and hyperglobalism, and is essential to democracy at its best.

“[Tamir] pits nationalism against globalism and finds the former preferable…. Not a defense of Trumpian politics but a measured explanation of why the American populace was so receptive to both Donald Trump and Bernie Sanders.”

—Kirkus

Why It Will Sell
A novel and provocative defense of civil and responsible nationalism and how it can be constructive.

Provides a compelling historical narrative of the ways neoliberalism and hyperglobalism allowed the right to co-opt nationalism, with a diagnosis of one of the major sources of global political discontent.

Published: February 2019
Editor: Rob Tempio
224 pages. 7 b/w illus. 1 table.
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POLITICS | PHILOSOPHY

Yael Tamir

President of the Shenkar College of Engineering and Design and adjunct professor at the Blavatnik School of Government at the University of Oxford.

Yael (Yuli) Tamir is president of Shenkar College of Engineering and Design and adjunct professor at the Blavatnik School of Government at the University of Oxford.
How the new conspiracists are undermining democracy—and what can be done about it

Conspiracy theories are as old as politics. But conspiracists today have introduced something new—conspiracy without theory. And the new conspiracism has moved from the fringes to the heart of government with the election of Donald Trump. In *A Lot of People Are Saying*, Russell Muirhead and Nancy Rosenblum show how the new conspiracism differs from classic conspiracy theory, why so few officials speak truth to conspiracy, and what needs to be done to resist it.

“If there is one industry that has increased its productivity in recent years, it is the manufacture and marketing of conspiracies. Russell Muirhead and Nancy Rosenblum brilliantly analyze how this happened and why it is a problem for our democracy—and also our capacity to build and sustain community. *A Lot of People Are Saying* offers a bracing diagnosis and thoughtful remedies. It’s time, they insist, to speak truth to conspiracy.”

—E. J. Dionne Jr., *coauthor of One Nation After Trump*
A leading foreign policy thinker uses Chinese political theory to explain why some powers rise as others decline and what this means for the international order

While work in international relations has closely examined the decline of great powers, not much attention has been paid to the question of their rise. The upward trajectory of China is a particularly puzzling case. Borrowing ideas of political determinism from ancient Chinese philosophers, Leadership and the Rise of Great Powers explains China’s expanding influence by presenting a moral-realist theory that attributes the rise and fall of nations to political leadership.

“Yan Xuetong has been prominent in rethinking realist international relations theory in the light of classical Chinese political philosophy. In this important new book, he shows us what realist theory and world history look like from a Chinese perspective. A welcome and often challenging corrective to Eurocentric orthodoxies.”

—Barry Buzan, emeritus professor, London School of Economics

YAN XUETONG is professor of political science and dean of the Institute of International Relations at Tsinghua University in Beijing. His many books include Ancient Chinese Thought, Modern Chinese Power (Princeton).

Why It Will Sell
Offers a systematic theory of leadership and an analysis of how rising powers displace those already established. Proposes a new approach that can be applied broadly across the fields of international relations and in public policy.

Final PDF: Available
Editor: Bridget Flannery-McCoy
280 pages. 7 b/w illus. 4 tables.
POLITICS | POLITICAL THEORY
How disputes over privacy and security have shaped the relationship between the European Union and the United States and what this means for the future

The first serious study of how the politics of surveillance has been transformed, *Of Privacy and Power* offers a fresh view of the role of information and power in a world of economic interdependence.

“Showcasing a ‘new interdependence’ framework, *Of Privacy and Power* analyzes how overlaps in the rules governing global information flows create power asymmetries that destabilize domestic policy bargains. The result is an understanding of the world where stable equilibria are rare, and distinctions between the national and the international are erased. This book delivers a politics of scale that gives researchers a useful structure for studying the international political economy as an integrated but unstable system.”

—Mark Blyth, Brown University

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**Why It Will Sell**

Comprehensive, with sweeping implications for the future of global governance, international relations, and international politics.  
Looks at the different approaches taken post-2001 by the US and EU.

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Final PDF: Available  
Editor: Bridget Flannery-McCoy  
248 pages. 6 b/w illus. 1 table.  

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**PRINCETON UNIVERSITY PRESS**
An in-depth look at the historic and strategic deployment of rights in political conflicts throughout the world

Rights are usually viewed as defensive concepts representing mankind’s highest aspirations to protect the vulnerable and uplift the downtrodden. But since the Enlightenment, political combatants have also used rights belligerently, to batter despised communities, demolish existing institutions, and smash opposing ideas. Delving into a range of historical and contemporary conflicts from all areas of the globe, Rights as Weapons focuses on the underexamined ways in which the powerful wield rights as aggressive weapons against the weak.

“In this lucid and compelling account of historical and contemporary human rights struggles, Clifford Bob offers an entirely new lens for understanding how rights have been deployed to advance political objectives. Through an array of cases and adopting a realist perspective, he conceptualizes the different ways rights are being weaponized. A fantastic book.”

—Neve Gordon, coauthor of The Human Right to Dominate

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Why It Will Sell
A crucial and contrarian perspective on the role that human rights play in political conflict. International examples drawn throughout.

Looks at the idea that rights can be weapons used to camouflage ulterior motives, break rival coalitions, attack policies, and fray societies.

Final PDF: Available
Editor: Bridget Flannery-McCoy
280 pages. 1 b/w illus. 1 table.
A revealing look at how today’s bureaucrats are finding their public voice in the era of 24-hour media

Once relegated to the anonymous back rooms of democratic debate, our bureaucratic leaders are increasingly having to govern under the scrutiny of a 24-hour news cycle, hyperpartisan political oversight, and a restless populace that is increasingly distrustful of the people who govern them. Megaphone Bureaucracy reveals how today’s civil servants are finding a voice of their own as they join elected politicians on the public stage and jockey for advantage in the persuasion game of modern governance.

“Vivid, topical, and well-researched. Grube’s analysis raises important issues about leadership in executive government in the age of transparency and the respective roles of political and administrative officeholders in providing that leadership.”

—Paul ’t Hart, Utrecht University

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Why It Will Sell
Timely and vivid exploration of the challenges of government in the age of social media and 24-hour public scrutiny.
Written in an engaging and accessible style, reflecting the author’s first career as a speech writer.
Suggests practical strategies for success.

Final PDF: Available
Editor: Sarah Caro
232 pages. 5 b/w illus. 4 tables.

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A global history of human rights in a world of nation-states that grant rights to some while denying them to others

Once dominated by vast empires, the world is now divided into close to 200 independent countries with laws and constitutions proclaiming human rights—a transformation that suggests that nations and human rights inevitably developed together. But the reality is far more problematic, as Eric Weitz shows in this compelling global history of the fate of human rights in a world of nation-states.

“In this eye-opening study, Eric Weitz contends that there is no separating the history of human rights from the liberating but exclusionary quests for citizenship and nationhood that have powered modern history—and which often turn violent. Needless to say, the pertinence of Weitz’s lesson today is clear.”

—Samuel Moyn, author of Not Enough: Human Rights in an Unequal World

Why It Will Sell


Helps explain current crisis situations around the globe, for example the volume of refugees and rise of right-wing nationalism, and argues for the continual advance of human rights protections at the international level.

Author’s previous work translated into six languages.

Final PDF: May 2019
Editor: Eric Crahan
544 pages. 12 color + 34 b/w illus. 2 tables. 22 maps.
A fascinating history that reveals the ways in which the pursuit of rationality often leads to an explosion of irrationality

Rich and ambitious, *Irrationality* ranges across philosophy, politics, and current events. Challenging conventional thinking about logic, natural reason, dreams, art and science, pseudoscience, the Enlightenment, the internet, jokes and lies, and death, the book shows how history reveals that any triumph of reason is temporary and reversible, and that rational schemes, notably including many from Silicon Valley, often result in their polar opposite. Illuminating unreason at a moment when the world appears to have gone mad again, *Irrationality* is fascinating, provocative, and timely.

“No philosopher alive today writes with as much wit, voice, and erudition as Justin Smith. *Irrationality* is a masterpiece: an urgent warning that no grand design of perfect rationality can provide the solution to the depravity of this political moment.”

—Yascha Mounk, author of *The People vs. Democracy: Why Our Freedom Is in Danger and How to Save It*

**Why It Will Sell**

History of irrationality and the ever present role it has played in our lives and the history of the modern world.

A timely book which speaks to our own seemingly unique form of irrationality; e.g. the anti-vaccination movement and climate change deniers.

Historical and philosophical take from a remarkably deep and original thinker.

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A groundbreaking biography that recreates the cosmopolitan world in which a wine merchant’s son became one of the most celebrated of all English poets

More than any other canonical English writer, Geoffrey Chaucer lived and worked at the centre of political life—yet his poems are anything but conventional. Edgy, complicated, and often dark, they reflect a conflicted world, and their astonishing diversity and innovative language earned Chaucer renown as the father of English literature. Marion Turner, however, reveals him as a great European writer and thinker. She reconstructs in unprecedented detail the cosmopolitan world of Chaucer’s adventurous life, focusing on the places and spaces that fired his imagination.

“Marion Turner’s ambitious biography is significantly different from others of Chaucer. Its focus on place enables Turner to explore Chaucer’s national and international political and cultural background in more detail than ever before.”

—Helen Cooper, University of Cambridge
A new account of the famous site and story of the last stand of a group of Jewish rebels who held out against the Roman Empire

Two thousand years ago, 967 Jewish men, women, and children—the last holdouts of the revolt against Rome following the fall of Jerusalem and the destruction of the Second Temple—reportedly took their own lives rather than surrender to the Roman army. This dramatic event, which took place on top of Masada, a barren and windswept mountain overlooking the Dead Sea, spawned a powerful story of Jewish resistance that came to symbolize the embattled modern State of Israel. The first extensive archaeological excavations of Masada began in the 1960s, and today the site draws visitors from around the world. And yet, because the mass suicide was recorded by only one ancient author—the Jewish historian Josephus—some scholars question if the event ever took place.

“A triumph of scholarship and accessibility.”
—Guy MacLean Rogers, author of Alexander: The Ambiguity of Greatness

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Why It Will Sell
A gripping narrative that tells the story of Masada in the context of the history and fate of the Jews under Roman rule.

Author an archaeologist who has personally excavated the site.

Fresh new account of the event which captured the collective Jewish imagination, and its impact on culture throughout history.
Is mercy more important than justice?

Since antiquity, mercy has been regarded as a virtue. The power of monarchs was legitimated by their acts of clemency, their mercy demonstrating their divine nature. Yet by the end of the eighteenth century, mercy had become “an injustice committed against society . . . a manifest vice.” Mercy was exiled from political life. How did this happen? An important contribution to contemporary political philosophy from an inventive thinker, On Mercy makes a persuasive case for returning this neglected virtue to the heart of political thought.

“In this thoughtful and highly original study, Malcolm Bull develops a vision of social life as dependent on humans’ willingness to exercise mercy. He shows how this novel approach can serve as a corrective to the traditional excessive focus on the state and on justice, which has been characteristic of some recent political thinking, and how it throws unexpected light on a wide variety of pressing issues in politics.”

—Raymond Geuss, author of Changing the Subject: Philosophy from Socrates to Adorno

MALCOLM BULL is Professor of Art and the History of Ideas at the University of Oxford and a Senior Associate Research Fellow of Christ Church, Oxford. He is the author of books on Vico and Nietzsche.

Why It Will Sell

First book to take up the intellectual history of mercy and make a case for its supremacy over justice in modern society.

Extended reflection upon the shift in attitudes to mercy over the centuries.

Short and punchy, the author is widely celebrated for his original writing and accessible style.

Final PDF: Available
Editor: Ben Tate
208 pages.

PHILOSOPHY | POLITICAL THEORY
A major new history of how the Enlightenment transformed people’s everyday lives

The Secular Enlightenment is a panoramic account of the radical ways that life began to change for ordinary people in the age of Locke, Voltaire, and Rousseau. In this landmark book, familiar Enlightenment figures share places with voices that have remained largely unheard until now, from freethinkers and freemasons to French materialists, anticlerical Catholics, pantheists, pornographers, readers, and travelers.

“Sweeping, original, and erudite. Jacob’s lucidly written book exhibits a command of the source materials that few scholars can ever hope to aspire to, let alone attain.”

—Darrin M. McMahon, author of Happiness: A History

“Jacob is concerned with the social history of the Enlightenment—with how it was experienced, and not just by its luminaries.”

—John H. Zammito, Rice University

Margaret C. Jacob is Distinguished Professor of History at the University of California, Los Angeles. Her many books include The Radical Enlightenment and The First Knowledge Economy.

Why It Will Sell

Fascinating account of the many ways people began to live lives devoid of religion—a truly radical break with the previous millennium.

Jacob is a major figure in the history of the enlightenment, and this book is the capstone and synthesis of her previous work.

Author previously translated into multiple languages.

Published February 2019
Editor: Rob Tempio
352 pages. 13 b/w illus.
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A delightfully illustrated selection of the great Daoist writings of Zhuangzi by bestselling cartoonist C. C. Tsai

C. C. Tsai is one of Asia’s most popular cartoonists, and his editions of the Chinese classics have sold more than 40 million copies in over twenty languages. This volume presents Tsai’s delightful graphic adaptation of the profound and humorous Daoist writings of Zhuangzi, some of the most popular and influential in the history of Asian philosophy and culture.

A marvelous introduction to a timeless classic, this book also features an illuminating foreword by Edward Slingerland. The text is skillfully translated by Brian Bruya, who also provides an introduction.

“[C. C. Tsai’s] books are awe-inspiring. His line is elegant; his characters are sharply drawn; his humor is sly and appropriate; and his subject is profound. This is cartooning of the highest order.”

—Larry Gonick, author of The Cartoon History of the Universe

C. C. Tsai is one of Asia’s most beloved illustrators.

Brian Bruya is professor of philosophy at Eastern Michigan University.

Edward Slingerland is professor of Asian studies at the University of British Columbia.

Why It Will Sell

New and expanded edition of classic Daoist text.

Zhuangzi offers us one of the more fun classical Chinese philosophy texts, emphasizing spontaneity and a go-with-the-flow spirit.

Final PDF: March 2019

Editor: Rob Tempio

256 pages. 233 b/w illus. 1 map. Chinese Simplified, Japanese, Italian & Spanish rights retained by author.
Timeless wisdom on controlling anger in personal life and politics from the Roman Stoic philosopher and statesman Seneca

In his essay “On Anger” (De Ira), the Roman Stoic thinker Seneca (c. 4 BC–65 AD) argues that anger is the most destructive passion: “No plague has cost the human race more dear.” This was proved by his own life, which he barely preserved under one wrathful emperor, Caligula, and lost under a second, Nero. This splendid new translation of essential selections from “On Anger,” presented with an enlightening introduction and the original Latin on facing pages, offers readers a timeless guide to avoiding and managing anger.

“Few have written more eloquently and profoundly on the perils of anger than Seneca and few have translated him better than James Romm.”
—Ryan Holiday, coauthor of The Daily Stoic

Why It Will Sell
Part of our successful Ancient Wisdom for Modern Readers series, along with How to Think About War.
Beautifully translated.
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