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## Conferences

### The 19th Asian Studies Conference Japan (ASCJ)

The 19th Asian Studies Conference Japan will be held from 20 to 21 June 2015 at Meiji Gakuin University, Shirokane Campus, Tokyo. The deadline for proposals is 15 October 2014. [Further Information](#).

### Asian Cultural and Media Studies Now Conference

The Asian Cultural & Media Studies Research Cluster of the Monash Asia Institute, Monash University will host an international conference, 'Asian Cultural and Media Studies Now' on 6 and 7 November 2014. The conference aims to critically revisit some of the key issues in the study of Asian culture, media and communications, which have been developed rapidly over the last twenty years, to discuss what kinds of new approaches and scholarly frameworks are required in the current socio-historical context. The conference will focus on four key areas of investigation, whose historical significance and transgressive potential requires reassessment in light of the advancement of market-driven processes of globalization and intensifying socio-economic disparity: 1) Alternative modernities and de-Westernization 2) Trans-Asian connections, dialogue and unevenness 3) Cultural convergence, citizenship and socio-cultural diversity 4) Mobility, imagined communities and cosmopolitanism. [Further Information](#).

### International Convention of Asia Scholars (ICAS)

The International Convention of Asia Scholars (ICAS) 2015 will take place from 5 to 9 July 2015 at the Adelaide Convention Centre. It will be hosted by the University of Adelaide, Flinders University, and the University of South Australia. It is supported by the Asian Studies Association of Australia. The deadline for proposals is 30 October 2014. [Further Information](#).

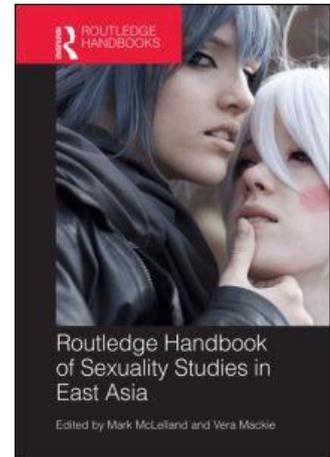
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## Featured Publication

## **Routledge Handbook of Sexuality Studies in East Asia Edited by Mark McLelland, Vera Mackie**

This collection brings together cutting-edge work by established and emerging scholars focusing on key societies in the East Asian region: China, Taiwan, Hong Kong, Japan, North and South Korea, Mongolia and Vietnam. This scope enables the collection to reflect on the nature of the transformations in constructions of sexuality in highly developed, developing and emerging societies and economies. Both Japan and China have established traditions of 'sexuality' studies reflecting longstanding indigenous understandings of sex as well as more recent developments which interface with Euro-American medical and psychological understandings. Authors reflect upon the complex colonial and economic interactions and cultural flows which have affected the East Asian region over the last two centuries. They trace local flows of ideas instead of defaulting to Euro-American paradigms for sexuality studies. Through looking at regional and global exchanges of ideas about sexuality, this volume adds considerably to our understanding of the East Asian region and contributes to wider discussions of social transformation, modernisation and globalisation. It will be essential reading in undergraduate and graduate programs in sexuality studies, gender studies, women's studies and masculinity studies, as well as in anthropology, sociology, history, cultural studies, area studies and health sciences. [Further Information.](#)

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## **Positions Available**

### **Assistant Professor, Japanese Language, Literature, and Culture, University of Central Arkansas**

The University of Central Arkansas invites applications for a tenure-track assistant professorship in East Asian history, beginning August 2015. PhD required by time of appointment. Expertise in modern East Asia with the expectation to teach world history surveys and advanced undergraduate and masters-level courses covering both China and Japan. The review of applications begins on 17 November 2014, and will continue until the position is filled. [Further Information.](#)

### **Modern/Contemporary Japanese Literature and Culture, University of California - Irvine**

The Department of East Asian Languages and Literatures at the University of California, Irvine, invites applications for an open rank position in Modern/Contemporary Japanese Literature and Culture, to begin 1 July 2015. The department will begin reviewing applications 1 November 2014. [Further Information.](#)

## Lecturer / Senior Lecturer in Japanese, Columbia University

The Department of East Asian Languages and Cultures invites applications for a lecturer or senior lecturer position in Japanese language, beginning in the fall of 2015. This is a full-time professional position with multi-year renewals contingent on successful reviews. The senior lecturer would be expected to take on the directorship of the Japanese language program at Columbia. [Further Information](#).

## Assistant Professor in Japanese Language, Literature, & Culture, Dartmouth College

The Department of Asian and Middle Eastern Languages and Literatures invites applications for a tenure-track position at the Assistant Professor rank in Japanese. Appointment will become effective 1 July 2015, with teaching duties beginning in September 2015. Applicants for this position must either hold a PhD or be ABD; additionally, they must have native or near native fluency in Japanese and English. The field of specialization will be literature, film, or culture, with priority given to candidates whose research incorporates language and its relationship to issues of representation. In addition, candidates should have a demonstrated commitment to foreign language instruction. [Further Information](#).

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## Events

### Exhibition: Aftershocks: Experiences of Japan's Great Earthquake, The University of Melbourne

Aftershocks: Experiences of Japan's Great Earthquake is on display in the Noel Shaw Gallery, Baillieu Library at The University of Melbourne from 1 September 2014 to 8 March 2015, and is accompanied by a [public lecture series](#). Aftershocks: Experiences of Japan's Great Earthquake explores the impact of Japan's deadliest natural disaster on everyday lives through objects from the University of Melbourne's East Asian Rare Materials Collection. [Further Information](#).

### New Voices

New Voices, The Japan Foundation, Sydney's peer-reviewed journal for emerging scholars, is now calling for papers. Outstanding Honours graduates, Masters research graduates and PhD candidates from or based in Australia and New Zealand are encouraged to submit. The call is also open to Japanese Studies Graduate Workshop (JSGW) 2014 participants. [Further Information](#).

### Japanese Film Festival

The Japanese Film Festival (JFF) is presented and run by The Japan Foundation, Sydney and is now an established calendar event. The Japanese Film Festival will be held from 22 September to 7 December 2014. Please consult the event website for information on films, venues, schedules, and ticketing. [Further](#)

[Information.](#)

## **45th Japanese Language Speech Contest Finals**

The 45th Australian Japanese Language Speech Contest Finals will be held in Sydney on Saturday 11 October 2014 from 10am - 4pm at The Japan Foundation, Sydney (Level 4, Central at Central Park, 28 Broadway, Chippendale NSW 2008). First place winners from state and territory level contests and from New Zealand will participate. The finals are open to the public. [Further Information.](#)

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