

Richard Wright S Native Son A Routledge Study Guide

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RICHARD WRIGHT IN A POST-RACIAL IMAGINARY WILLIAM E. DOW 2014-07-31 IN AFRICAN AMERICAN FICTION, RICHARD WRIGHT WAS ONE OF THE MOST SIGNIFICANT AND INFLUENTIAL AUTHORS OF THE TWENTIETH CENTURY. RICHARD WRIGHT IN A POST-RACIAL IMAGINARY ANALYSES WRIGHT'S WORK IN RELATION TO CONTEMPORARY RACIAL AND SOCIAL ISSUES, BRINGING VOICES OF ESTABLISHED AND EMERGENT WRIGHT SCHOLARS INTO DIALOGUE WITH EACH OTHER. THE ESSAYS IN THIS VOLUME SHOW HOW WRIGHT'S BEST WORK ASKS CENTRAL QUESTIONS ABOUT NATIONAL ALIENATION AS WELL AS ABOUT INTERNATIONAL BELONGING AND THE TRANS-NATIONAL GAZE. RACE IS HERE ASSUMED AS A SUPERIMPOSED CATEGORY, RATHER THAN A BIOLOGICAL REALITY, IN KEEPING WITH RECENT TRENDS IN AFRICAN-AMERICAN STUDIES. WRIGHT'S FICTION AND ALMOST ALL OF HIS NON-FICTION LIFT BEYOND THE MAINSTAYS OF AFRICAN-AMERICAN CULTURE TO EXPLORE THE POTENTIALITIES AND LIMITS OF BLACK TRANS-NATIONALISM. WRIGHT'S TRANS-NATIVE STATUS, HIS PERPETUAL "OUTSIDENESS" MIXED WITH THE "ESSENTIAL HUMANNESS" OF HIS ACTIVIST AND LITERARY EFFORTS ARE AT THE CORE OF THE INNOVATIVE APPROACHES TO HIS WORK INCLUDED HERE.

RICHARD WRIGHT'S NATIVE SON 2007-01-01 COINCIDING WITH THE PREPARATIONS FOR THE CELEBRATION IN 2008 OF RICHARD WRIGHT'S 100TH BIRTHDAY, THIS NEW COLLECTION OF CRITICAL ESSAYS ON NATIVE SON ATTESTS TO THE IMPORTANCE AND ENDURANCE OF WRIGHT'S CONTROVERSIAL WORK. THE ELEVEN ESSAYS COLLECTED IN THIS VOLUME ENGAGE THE OBJECTIVE OF RODOP'S DIALOGUE SERIES BY CREATING MULTIDIRECTIONAL CONVERSATIONS IN WHICH SENIOR AND YOUNGER SCHOLARS INTERACT WITH EACH OTHER AND WITH PREVIOUS SCHOLARS WHO HAVE WEIGHED IN ON THE NOVEL'S IMPORT. SPEAKING FROM DISTANT CORNERS OF THE WORLD, THE CONTRIBUTORS TO THIS BOOK REFLECT AN INTERNATIONAL INTEREST IN WRIGHT'S UNIQUE COMBINATION OF LITERARY STRATEGIES AND SOCIAL AIMS. THE WIDE RANGE OF APPROACHES TO NATIVE SON IS PRESENTED IN FIVE THEMATIC SECTIONS. THE FIRST THREE SECTIONS COVER ASPECTS SUCH AS THE HISTORICAL RECEPTION OF WRIGHT'S NOVEL, THE INSCRIPTION OF SEX AND GENDER BOTH IN NATIVE SON AND IN OTHER AFRICAN AMERICAN TEXTS, AND THE INFLUENCE OF AFRICA AND OF VORTICAL SYMBOLISM ON WRIGHT'S AESTHETICS; FOLLOWING IS THE STUDY OF THE NOVEL FROM THE POINT OF VIEW OF ITS ADOPTION AND TRANSFORMATION OF VARIOUS LITERARY GENRES—THE AFRICAN AMERICAN JEREMIAD, THE PROTEST NOVEL, THE CRIME NOVEL AND COURTROOM DRAMA, THE BILDUNGSROMAN, AND THE BIBLICAL MODES OF NARRATION. THE CLOSING SECTION ANALYZES THE NOVEL'S LASTING INFLUENCE THROUGH ITS ADAPTATION TO OTHER ARTISTIC FIELDS, SUCH AS THE CINEMA AND SONG IN THE FORM OF HIP-HOP. THE PRESENT VOLUME MAY, THEREFORE, BE OF INTEREST FOR STUDENTS WHO ARE NOT VERY FAMILIAR WITH WRIGHT'S CLASSIC TEXT AS WELL AS FOR SCHOLARS AND RICHARD WRIGHT SPECIALISTS.

RICHARD WRIGHT'S NATIVE SON ANDREW WARNES 2007-01-24 RICHARD WRIGHT'S NATIVE SON (1940) IS ONE OF THE MOST VIOLENT AND REVOLUTIONARY WORKS IN THE AMERICAN CANON. CONTROVERSIAL AND COMPELLING, ITS ACCOUNT OF CRIME AND RACISM REMAIN THE SOURCE OF PROFOUND DISAGREEMENT BOTH WITHIN AFRICAN-AMERICAN CULTURE AND THROUGHOUT THE WORLD. THIS GUIDE TO WRIGHT'S PROVOCATIVE NOVEL OFFERS: AN ACCESSIBLE INTRODUCTION TO THE TEXT AND CONTEXTS OF NATIVE SON A CRITICAL HISTORY, SURVEYING THE MANY INTERPRETATIONS OF THE TEXT FROM PUBLICATION TO THE PRESENT A SELECTION OF REPRINTED CRITICAL ESSAYS ON NATIVE SON, BY JAMES BALDWIN, HAZEL ROWLEY, ANTONY DAWAHARE, CLAIRE EBY AND JAMES SMETHURST, PROVIDING A RANGE OF PERSPECTIVES ON THE NOVEL AND EXTENDING THE COVERAGE OF KEY CRITICAL APPROACHES IDENTIFIED IN THE SURVEY SECTION A CHRONOLOGY TO HELP PLACE THE NOVEL IN ITS HISTORICAL CONTEXT SUGGESTIONS FOR FURTHER READING. PART OF THE ROUTLEDGE GUIDES TO LITERATURE SERIES, THIS VOLUME IS ESSENTIAL READING FOR ALL THOSE BEGINNING DETAILED STUDY OF NATIVE SON AND SEEKING NOT ONLY A GUIDE TO THE NOVEL, BUT A WAY THROUGH THE WEALTH OF CONTEXTUAL AND CRITICAL MATERIAL THAT SURROUNDS WRIGHT'S TEXT.

RICHARD WRIGHT A. CRAVEN 2011-07-18 THIS WIDE-RANGING COLLECTION OF ESSAYS CONTAINS UNEXPLORED THEMES AND THEORETICAL ORIENTATIONS CENTERING ON RACISM AND SPATIAL DIMENSIONS; THE TRANSNATIONAL AND POLITICAL WRIGHT; WRIGHT AND MASCULINITY, WRIGHT AND THE AMERICAN 1950S AND 1960S; AND SOME OF THE FIRST ANALYSES OF WRIGHT'S RECENTLY PUBLISHED *A FATHER'S LAW* (2008).

ISLAMOPHOBIA AND THE NOVEL PETER MOREY 2018-08-14 IN AN ERA OF RAMPANT ISLAMOPHOBIA, WHAT DO LITERARY REPRESENTATIONS OF MUSLIMS AND ANTI-MUSLIM BIGOTRY TELL US ABOUT CHANGING CONCEPTS OF CULTURAL DIFFERENCE? IN *ISLAMOPHOBIA AND THE NOVEL*, PETER MOREY ANALYZES HOW RECENT WORKS OF FICTION HAVE FRAMED AND RESPONDED TO THE RISE OF ANTI-MUSLIM PREJUDICE, SHOWING HOW THEIR PORTRAYALS OF MUSLIMS BOTH REFLECT AND REFUTE THE IDEOLOGICAL PREOCCUPATIONS OF MEDIA AND POLITICIANS IN THE POST-9/11 WEST. *ISLAMOPHOBIA AND THE NOVEL* DISCUSSES NOVELS EMBODYING A RANGE OF POSITIONS—FROM THE AVOWEDLY SECULAR TO THE RELIGIOUS, AND FROM TEXTS THAT APPEAR TO UNDERWRITE WESTERN ASSUMPTIONS OF CULTURAL SUPERIORITY TO THOSE THAT RECOGNIZE AND CRITIQUE NEOIMPERIAL IMPULSES. MOREY OFFERS NUANCED READINGS OF WORKS BY JOHN UPDIKE, IAN MCEWAN, HANIF KUREISHI, MONICA ALI, MOHSIN HAMID, JOHN LE CARR, KHALED HOSSEINI, AZAR NAFISI, AND OTHER WRITERS, EMPHASIZING THE DEMANDS OF THE LITERARY MARKETPLACE FOR REPRESENTATIONS OF MUSLIMS. HE EXPLORES HOW DEPICTIONS OF MUSLIM EXPERIENCE HAVE CHALLENGED LIBERAL ASSUMPTIONS REGARDING THE NOVEL'S POTENTIAL FOR EMPATHY AND ITS ABILITY TO ENCOMPASS A VARIETY OF VOICES. MOREY ARGUES FOR A GREATER DEGREE OF CRITICAL SELF-CONSCIOUSNESS IN OUR UNDERSTANDING OF WRITING BY AND ABOUT MUSLIMS, IN CONTRAST TO BOTH EXCLUSIONARY NATIONALISM AND THE FETISHIZATION OF DIFFERENCE. CONTEMPORARY LITERATURE'S CAPACITY TO UNVEIL THE CONFLICTED NATURE OF ANTI-MUSLIM BIGOTRY EXPANDS OUR RANGE OF RESOURCES TO COMBAT ISLAMOPHOBIA. THIS, IN TURN, MIGHT CONTRIBUTE TO ISLAMOPHOBIA'S EVENTUAL DISMANTLING.

THE RICHARD WRIGHT ENCYCLOPEDIA JERRY W. WARD 2008-06-30 RICHARD WRIGHT IS ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT AFRICAN AMERICAN WRITERS. HE IS ALSO ONE OF THE MOST PROLIFIC. BEST KNOWN AS THE AUTHOR OF *NATIVE SON*, HE WROTE 7 NOVELS; 2 COLLECTIONS OF SHORT FICTION; AN AUTOBIOGRAPHY; MORE THAN 250 NEWSPAPER ARTICLES, BOOK REVIEWS, AND OCCASIONAL ESSAYS; SOME 4,000 VERSES; A PHOTO-DOCUMENTARY; AND 3 TRAVEL BOOKS. BY ATTACKING THE TABOOS AND HYPOCRISY THAT OTHER WRITERS HAD FAILED TO ADDRESS, HE REVOLUTIONIZED AMERICAN LITERATURE AND CREATED A DISTURBING AND REALISTIC PORTRAIT OF THE AFRICAN AMERICAN EXPERIENCE. THIS ENCYCLOPEDIA IS A GUIDE TO HIS VAST AND INFLUENTIAL BODY OF WORKS.

C. WRIGHT MILLS AND THE CRIMINOLOGICAL IMAGINATION DR JON FRAULEY 2015-11-28 *C. WRIGHT MILLS AND THE CRIMINOLOGICAL IMAGINATION* INVESTIGATES THE EMERGENCE AND LINEAGE OF A CRIMINOLOGICAL CONCEPT INDEBTED TO MILLS' THOUGHT, ADAPTING AND APPLYING IT TO A SPECIFICALLY CRIMINOLOGICAL CONTEXT. WITH ATTENTION TO THEORETICAL CONCERNS, AS WELL AS THE APPLICATION OF THE CRIMINOLOGICAL IMAGINATION IN CONCRETE EMPIRICAL RESEARCH, THIS VOLUME SHEDS NEW LIGHT ON THE METHODOLOGICAL AND ANALYTICAL ASPECTS OF THE CRIMINOLOGICAL IMAGINATION AS A MULTIFACETED CONCEPT, EXPLORING THE POSSIBILITIES THAT IT OFFERS FOR THE EMERGENCE OF AN IMAGINATIVE CRIMINOLOGICAL PRACTICE.

VIOLENCE FROM SLAVERY TO #BLACKLIVESMATTER ANDREW DIX 2019-12-06 *VIOLENCE FROM SLAVERY TO #BLACKLIVESMATTER* BRINGS TOGETHER PERSPECTIVES ON VIOLENCE AND ITS REPRESENTATION IN AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY FROM SLAVERY TO THE PRESENT MOMENT. CONTRIBUTORS EXPLORE HOW VIOLENCE, SIGNIFYING BOTH AN INSTRUMENT OF THE WHITE MAJORITY'S POWER AND A MODALITY OF BLACK RESISTANCE, HAS BEEN UNDERSTOOD AND ARTICULATED IN PRIMARY MATERIALS THAT RANGE FROM SLAVE NARRATIVE THROUGH "LYNCHING PLAYS" AND RICHARD WRIGHT'S FICTION TO CONTEMPORARY ACTIVIST POETRY, AND FROM PHOTOGRAPHY OF AFRICAN AMERICAN SUFFERING THROUGH BLAXPLOITATION CINEMA AND SPIKE LEE'S FILMS TO RAP LYRICS AND PERFORMANCES. DIVERSE BOTH IN THEIR PERIOD COVERAGE AND THEIR CHOICE OF MEDIUM FOR DISCUSSION, THE 11 ESSAYS ARE UNIFIED BY A SHARED CONCERN TO UNPACK VIOLENCE'S MULTIPLE MEANINGS FOR BLACK AMERICA. UNDERLYING THE COLLECTION, TOO, IS NOT ONLY THE DESIRE TO MEMORIALIZE PAST MOMENTS OF BLACK AMERICAN SUFFERING AND RESISTANCE, BUT, IN POLITICALLY TIMELY FASHION, TO EXPLORE THEIR CONNECTIONS TO OUR CURRENT CONJUNCTURE.

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SUGGESTIONS FOR FURTHER READING. PART OF THE ROUTLEDGE GUIDES TO LITERATURE SERIES, THIS VOLUME IS ESSENTIAL READING FOR ALL THOSE BEGINNING DETAILED STUDY OF *NATIVE SON* AND SEEKING NOT ONLY A GUIDE TO THE NOVEL, BUT A WAY THROUGH THE WEALTH OF CONTEXTUAL AND CRITICAL MATERIAL THAT SURROUNDS WRIGHT'S TEXT.

FIGHTING WORDS Ira Wells 2013-06-25 AN ENTIRELY NEW UNDERSTANDING OF WHAT LITERARY NATURALISM IS AND WHY IT MATTERS Ira Wells, COUNTERING THE STANDARD NARRATIVE OF LITERARY NATURALISM'S MUCH-TOUTED CONCERN WITH ENVIRONMENTAL AND PHILOSOPHICAL DETERMINISM, DRAWS ATTENTION TO THE POLEMICAL ESSENCE OF THE GENRE AND DEMONSTRATES HOW LITERARY NATURALISTS ENGAGED INSTEAD WITH EXPLOSIVE POLITICAL AND CULTURAL ISSUES THAT REMAIN FERVENTLY DEBATED TODAY. NATURALIST WRITERS, WELLS ARGUES IN *FIGHTING WORDS*, ARE UNITED LESS BY A COHERENT PHILOSOPHY THAN BY AN ATTITUDE, A POSTURE OF AGGRESSIVE CONTROVERSY, WHICH HAPPENS TO CLUSTER LOOSELY AROUND PARTICULAR SOCIAL ISSUES. TO AN EXTENT NOT YET APPRECIATED, LITERARY NATURALISTS TOOK CONTROVERSIAL—AND FREQUENTLY CONTRARIAN—POSITIONS ON A WIDE RANGE OF LITERARY, POLITICAL, AND SOCIAL ISSUES. FRANK NORRIS, FOR INSTANCE, FAMOUSLY DECLARED THE INNATE INFERIORITY OF FEMALE NOVELISTS AND FREQUENTLY WROTE ABOUT LITERATURE IN TONES SUGGESTIVE OF RACIAL WARFARE. THEODORE DREISER ONCE ADVOCATED, WITH DEADLY EARNESTNESS, A PROGRAM OF STATE-RUN INFANTICIDE FOR DISABLED OR UNWANTED CHILDREN. RICHARD WRIGHT PRAISED THE STALIN-HITLER AGREEMENT OF 1939 AS “A GREAT STEP TOWARD PEACE.” WHILE MANY OF THEIR ARGUMENTS WERE IRASCIBLE, ATTENTION-SEEKING, AND SELF-CONSCIOUSLY INFLAMMATORY, THE COMBATIVE SPIRIT THAT FUELED THESE OUTBURSTS REMAINS CENTRAL TO THE CANONICAL TEXTS OF THE MOVEMENT. WELLS CONSIDERS FRANK NORRIS'S *THE OCTOPUS* IN LIGHT OF THE EMERGING DISCOURSES OF ENVIRONMENTALISM AND ECOLOGICAL DESPOLIATION, AND EXAMINES THE ISSUE OF ABORTION IN THEODORE DREISER'S *AN AMERICAN TRAGEDY*. A CHAPTER ON RICHARD WRIGHT'S *NATIVE SON* TAKES ISSUE WITH TRADITIONAL HUMANISTIC READINGS OF ITS PROTAGONIST BY ANALYZING THE DISTURBING RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN TERRORISM AND LYNCHING AS A CRIME AND PUNISHMENT THAT RESISTS FORMAL INCORPORATION INTO THE LAW. BY HIGHLIGHTING THE CONTENTIOUS RHETORIC THAT INFUSES THE CANONICAL TEXTS OF LITERARY NATURALISM, *FIGHTING WORDS* OPENS UP A WIDE-RANGING AND INTERDISCIPLINARY INTERROGATION OF RACIAL, SEXUAL, AND ENVIRONMENTAL POLEMICS IN AMERICAN CULTURE.

CASTE AND KINSHIP IN CENTRAL INDIA ADRIAN C. MAYER 1960

RICHARD WRIGHT'S NATIVE SON HAROLD BLOOM 2009 RICHARD WRIGHT IS ONE OF THE GREATEST AFRICAN-AMERICAN WRITERS OF THE 20TH CENTURY. HIS MASTERPIECE *NATIVE SON* IS ANALYZED IN THIS VOLUME OF ESSAYS.

READING RAPE SABINE SIELKE 2009-02-09 *READING RAPE* EXAMINES HOW AMERICAN CULTURE TALKS ABOUT SEXUAL VIOLENCE AND EXPLAINS WHY, IN THE LATTER TWENTIETH CENTURY, RAPE ACHIEVED SUCH SIGNIFICANCE AS A TROPE OF POWER RELATIONS. THROUGH ATTENTIVE READINGS OF A WIDE RANGE OF LITERARY AND CULTURAL REPRESENTATIONS OF SEXUAL ASSAULT--FROM ANTEBELLUM SEDUCTION NARRATIVES AND “REALIST” REPRESENTATIONS OF RAPE IN NINETEENTH-CENTURY NOVELS TO *DELIVERANCE*, *AMERICAN PSYCHO*, AND CONTEMPORARY FEMINIST ACCOUNTS--SABINE SIELKE TRACES THE EVOLUTION OF A SPECIFICALLY AMERICAN RHETORIC OF RAPE. SHE CONSIDERS THE KINDS OF CULTURAL WORK THAT THIS RHETORIC HAS PERFORMED AND FINDS THAT RAPE HAS BEEN AN INSISTENT FIGURE FOR A RANGE OF SOCIAL, POLITICAL, AND ECONOMIC ISSUES. SIELKE ARGUES THAT THE REPRESENTATION OF RAPE HAS BEEN A MAJOR FORCE IN THE CULTURAL CONSTRUCTION OF SEXUALITY, GENDER, RACE, ETHNICITY, CLASS, AND INDEED NATIONAL IDENTITY. AT THE SAME TIME, HER ACUTE ANALYSES OF BOTH CANONICAL AND LESSER-KNOWN TEXTS EXPLORE THE COMPLEX ANXIETIES THAT MOTIVATE SUCH CONSTRUCTIONS AND THEIR FUNCTION WITHIN THE WIDER CULTURAL IMAGINATION. PROVOKED IN PART BY CONTEMPORARY FEMINIST CRITICISM, *READING RAPE* ALSO CHALLENGES FEMINIST POSITIONS ON SEXUAL VIOLENCE BY INTERROGATING THEM AS PART OF THE HISTORY IN WHICH RAPE HAS BEEN A CONVENIENT AND CONVENTIONAL ALBEIT TROUBLING TROPE FOR OTHER CONCERNS AND CONFLICTS. THIS BOOK TEACHES US WHAT WE TALK ABOUT WHEN WE TALK ABOUT RAPE. AND WHAT WE'RE TALKING ABOUT IS OFTEN SOMETHING ELSE ENTIRELY: POWER, MONEY, SOCIAL CHANGE, DIFFERENCE, AND IDENTITY.

JAMES BALDWIN NOW DWIGHT MCBRIDE 1999-08 VIEW THE TABLE OF CONTENTS READ THE INTRODUCTION. THIS EXCELLENT VOLUME CONCEIVES OF BALDWIN AS A FIGURE CRUCIAL TO DISCUSSIONS OF WHITENESS, SEXUALITY, AND GLOBALIZATION. THE TIMES ARE RIPE FOR THE VALUABLE RECONSIDERATION OF BALDWIN THAT *JAMES BALDWIN NOW* PROVIDES.--JENNIFER DEVERE BRODY, GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY ONE OF THE MOST PROLIFIC AND INFLUENTIAL AFRICAN AMERICAN WRITERS, JAMES BALDWIN WAS FOR MANY A HARBINGER OF HOPE, A MAN WHO TRAVERSED THE GENRES OF ART-WRITING NOVELS, ESSAYS, AND POETRY. *JAMES BALDWIN NOW* TAKES ADVANTAGE OF THE LATEST INTERDISCIPLINARY WORK TO UNDERSTAND THE COMPLEXITY OF BALDWIN'S VISION AND CONTRIBUTIONS WITHOUT NEEDING TO NAME HIM AS EXCLUSIVELY GAY, EXPATRIATE, BLACK, OR ACTIVIST. IT WAS, IN FACT, BALDWIN WHO SAID, IT IS QUITE IMPOSSIBLE TO WRITE A WORTHWHILE NOVEL ABOUT A JEW OR A GENTILE OR A HOMOSEXUAL, FOR PEOPLE REFUSE... TO FUNCTION IN SO NEAT AND ONE-DIMENSIONAL A FASHION. MCBRIDE HAS GATHERED A UNIQUE

GROUP OF NEW SCHOLARS TO INTERROGATE BALDWIN'S LIFE, HIS PRESENCE, AND HIS POLITICAL THOUGHT AND WORK. JAMES BALDWIN NOW FINALLY ADDRESSES THE MAN WHO SPOKE, AND CONTINUES TO SPEAK, SO ELOQUENTLY TO CRUCIAL ISSUES OF THE TWENTIETH CENTURY. TABLE OF CONTENTS INTRODUCTION: HOW MUCH TIME DO YOU WANT FOR YOUR PROGRESS? NEW APPROACHES TO JAMES BALDWIN DWIGHT A. MCBRIDE PART I: BALDWIN AND RACE 1 WHITE FANTASIES OF DESIRE: BALDWIN AND THE RACIAL IDENTITIES OF SEXUALITY MARLON B. ROSS 2 NOW MORE THAN EVER: JAMES BALDWIN AND THE CRITIQUE OF WHITE LIBERALISM REBECCA AANERUD 3 FINDING THE WORDS: BALDWIN, RACE CONSCIOUSNESS, AND DEMOCRATIC THEORY LAWRIE BALFOUR PART II: BALDWIN AND SEXUALITY 4 CULTURE, RHETORIC, AND QUEER IDENTITY: JAMES BALDWIN AND THE IDENTITY POLITICS OF RACE AND SEXUALITY WILLIAM J. SPURLIN 5 OF MIMICRY AND (LITTLE MAN LITTLE) MAN: TOWARD A QUEERSIGHTED THEORY OF BLACK CHILDHOOD NICHOLAS BOGGS 6 SEXUAL EXILES: JAMES BALDWIN AND ANOTHER COUNTRY JAMES A. DIEVLER PART III: BALDWIN AND THE TRANSATLANTIC 7 BALDWIN'S COSMOPOLITAN LONELINESS JAMES DARSEY 8 ALAS, POOR RICHARD! TRANSATLANTIC BALDWIN, THE POLITICS OF FORGETTING, AND THE PROJECT OF MODERNITY MICHELLE M. WRIGHT 9 THE PARVENU BALDWIN AND THE OTHER SIDE OF REDEMPTION: MODERNITY, RACE, SEXUALITY, AND THE COLD WAR RODERICK A. FERGUSON PART IV: BALDWIN AND INTERTEXTUALITY 10 (PRO)CREATING IMAGINATIVE SPACES AND OTHER QUEER ACTS: RANDALL KENAN'S A VISITATION OF SPIRITS AND ITS REVIVAL OF JAMES BALDWIN'S ABSENT BLACK GAY MAN IN GIOVANNI'S ROOM SHARON PATRICIA HOLLAND 11 I'M NOT ENTIRELY WHAT I LOOK LIKE: RICHARD WRIGHT, JAMES BALDWIN, AND THE HEGEMONY OF VISION; OR, JIMMY'S FB EYE BLUES MAURICE WALLACE 12 LIFE ACCORDING TO THE BEAT: JAMES BALDWIN, BESSIE SMITH, AND THE PERILOUS SOUNDS OF LOVE JOSH KUN PART V: BALDWIN AND THE LITERARY 13 THE DISCOVERY OF WHAT IT MEANS TO BE A WITNESS: JAMES BALDWIN'S DIALECTICS OF DIFFERENCE JOSHUA L. MILLER 14 SELFHOOD AND STRATEGY IN NOTES OF A NATIVE SON LAUREN RUSK 15 SELECT BIBLIOGRAPHY OF WORKS BY AND ON JAMES BALDWIN JEFFREY W. HOLE CONTRIBUTORS INDEX

THE WINGS OF ATALANTA MARK RICHARDSON 2019 EMPLOYING CLOSE READING OF A KIND USUALLY ASSOCIATED WITH THE STUDY OF LYRIC POETRY, THIS BOOK OFFERS A GENERAL FRAMEWORK FOR READING AFRICAN-AMERICAN (AND AMERICAN) LITERATURE.

RICHARD WRIGHT IN CONTEXT MICHAEL NOWLIN 2021-07-22 RICHARD WRIGHT WAS ONE OF THE MOST INFLUENTIAL AND COMPLEX AFRICAN AMERICAN WRITERS OF THE TWENTIETH CENTURY. BEST KNOWN AS THE TRAILBLAZING, BESTSELLING AUTHOR OF NATIVE SON AND BLACK BOY, HE ESTABLISHED HIMSELF AS AN EXPERIMENTAL LITERARY INTELLECTUAL IN FRANCE WHO CREATIVELY DREW ON SOME OF THE LEADING IDEAS OF HIS TIME - MARXISM, EXISTENTIALISM, PSYCHOANALYSIS, AND POSTCOLONIALISM - TO EXPLORE THE SOURCES AND MEANING OF RACISM BOTH IN THE UNITED STATES AND WORLDWIDE. RICHARD WRIGHT IN CONTEXT GATHERS THIRTY-THREE NEW ESSAYS BY LEADING SCHOLARS RELATING WRIGHT'S WRITINGS TO BIOGRAPHICAL, REGIONAL, SOCIAL, LITERARY, AND INTELLECTUAL CONTEXTS ESSENTIAL TO UNDERSTANDING THEM. IT EXPLORES THE PLACES THAT SHAPED HIS LIFE AND ENABLED HIS LITERARY DESTINY, THE SOCIAL AND CULTURAL CONTEXTS HE BOTH OBSERVED AND IMMERSSED HIMSELF IN, AND THE LITERARY AND INTELLECTUAL CONTEXTS THAT MADE HIM ONE THE MOST FAMOUS BLACK WRITERS IN THE WORLD AT MID-CENTURY.

TRANSFORMATIONS SARA AHMED 2000 THIS TEXT IS A THOROUGH REASSESSMENT OF FEMINISM'S PLACE IN CONTEMPORARY LIFE. THE BOOK TRACES BOTH THE SHIFTS THAT HAVE ALLOWED FEMINISM TO ARRIVE AT ITS PRESENT POINT, AND THE WAY THAT FEMINIST AGENDAS HAVE PROGRESSED.

FEAR OF BLACK CONSCIOUSNESS LEWIS R. GORDON 2022-01-11 LEWIS R. GORDON'S FEAR OF BLACK CONSCIOUSNESS IS A GROUNDBREAKING ACCOUNT OF BLACK CONSCIOUSNESS BY A LEADING PHILOSOPHER IN THIS ORIGINAL AND PENETRATING WORK, LEWIS R. GORDON, ONE OF THE LEADING SCHOLARS OF BLACK EXISTENTIALISM AND ANTI-BLACKNESS, TAKES THE READER ON A JOURNEY THROUGH THE HISTORICAL DEVELOPMENT OF RACIALIZED BLACKNESS, THE PROBLEMS THIS KIND OF CONSCIOUSNESS PRODUCES, AND THE MANY CREATIVE RESPONSES FROM BLACK AND NON-BLACK COMMUNITIES IN CONTEMPORARY STRUGGLES FOR DIGNITY AND FREEDOM. SKILLFULLY NAVIGATING A DIFFICULT AND TRAUMATIC TERRAIN, GORDON CUTS THROUGH THE MIST OF WHITE NARCISSISM AND THE VERSIONS OF CONSCIOUSNESS IT PERPETUATES. HE EXPOSES THE BAD FAITH AT THE HEART OF MANY DISCUSSIONS ABOUT RACE AND RACISM NOT ONLY IN AMERICA BUT ACROSS THE GLOBE, INCLUDING THOSE WHO THINK OF THEMSELVES AS "COLOR BLIND." AS GORDON REVEALS, THESE LIES OFFER MANY WHITE PEOPLE AN INHERITED SENSE OF BEING EXTRAORDINARY, A LICENSE TO DO AS THEY PLEASE. BUT FOR MANY IF NOT MOST BLACKS, TO LIVE AN ORDINARY LIFE IN A WHITE-DOMINATED SOCIETY IS AN EXTRAORDINARY ACHIEVEMENT. INFORMED BY GORDON'S LIFE GROWING UP IN JAMAICA AND THE BRONX, AND TAKING AS A TOUCHSTONE THE PANDEMIC AND THE UPRISINGS AGAINST POLICE VIOLENCE, FEAR OF BLACK CONSCIOUSNESS IS A GROUNDBREAKING WORK THAT POSITIONS BLACK CONSCIOUSNESS AS A POLITICAL COMMITMENT AND CREATIVE PRACTICE, RICHLY LAYERED THROUGH ART, LOVE, AND REVOLUTIONARY ACTION.

HAUNTED LIFE DAVID MARRIOTT 2007 IN HAUNTED LIFE, DAVID MARRIOTT EXAMINES THE COMPLEX INTERPLAY BETWEEN RACIAL

FEARS AND ANXIETIES AND THE POLITICAL-VISUAL CULTURES OF SUSPICION AND STATE TERROR. HE COMPELS READERS TO CONSIDER HOW MEDIA TECHNOLOGIES ARE "HAUNTED" BY THE PHANTOM OF RACIAL SLAVERY. THROUGH EXAMPLES FROM FILM AND TELEVISION, MODERNIST LITERATURE, AND PHILOSOPHY, HE SHOWS HOW THE IDEOLOGICAL IMAGE OF A BRUTAL AFRICAN PAST IS ENDLESSLY RECYCLED AND HOW THIS PERPETUATION OF HISTORICAL CATASTROPHE STOKES OUR NATION'S RACE-CONSCIOUS PARANOIA. DRAWING ON A RANGE OF COMPARATIVE READINGS BY WRITERS, THEORISTS, AND FILMMAKERS, INCLUDING JOHN EDGAR WIDEMAN, FRANTZ FANON, RICHARD WRIGHT, ISSAC JULIEN, ALAIN LOCKE, AND SIDNEY POITIER, HAUNTED LIFE IS A BOLD AND ORIGINAL EXPLORATION OF THE LEGACIES OF BLACK VISUAL CULTURE AND THE POLITICAL, DEEPLY SEXUALIZED VIOLENCE THAT LIES BURIED BENEATH IT.

BLACK MANHOOD IN JAMES BALDWIN, ERNEST J. GAINES, AND AUGUST WILSON KEITH CLARK 2004-01-22 EXPLORES THE NOVELS, SHORT STORIES, AND PLAYS OF THREE AFRICAN AMERICAN WRITERS TO DEMONSTRATE HOW THEY CHALLENGED CLASSIC PORTRAYALS OF BLACK MEN IN EARLIER LITERATURE. DISCUSSES HOW THE IDENTITY OF BLACK MEN CHANGED FROM ONE EQUATED WITH VICTIMIZATION, ISOLATION, AND PATRIARCHY; TO ONE OF COMMUNITY, CAMARADERIE, AND INTIMACY.

ROMANCE, DIASPORA, AND BLACK ATLANTIC LITERATURE YOGITA GOYAL 2010-04-22 ROMANCE, DIASPORA, AND BLACK ATLANTIC LITERATURE OFFERS A RICH, INTERDISCIPLINARY TREATMENT OF MODERN BLACK LITERATURE AND CULTURAL HISTORY, SHOWING HOW DEBATES OVER AFRICA IN THE WORKS OF MAJOR BLACK WRITERS GENERATED PRODUCTIVE MODELS FOR IMAGINING POLITICAL AGENCY. YOGITA GOYAL ANALYZES THE TENSIONS BETWEEN ROMANCE AND REALISM IN THE LITERATURE OF THE AFRICAN DIASPORA, EXAMINING A REMARKABLY DIVERSE GROUP OF TWENTIETH-CENTURY AUTHORS, INCLUDING W. E. B. DU BOIS, CHINUA ACHEBE, RICHARD WRIGHT, AMA ATA AIDOO AND CARYL PHILLIPS. SHIFTING THE CENTER OF BLACK DIASPORA STUDIES BY CONSIDERING AFRICA AS CONSTITUTIVE OF BLACK MODERNITY RATHER THAN ITS FORGOTTEN PAST, GOYAL ARGUES THAT IT IS THROUGH THE FIGURE OF ROMANCE THAT THE POSSIBILITY OF DIASPORA IS IMAGINED ACROSS TIME AND SPACE. DRAWING ON LITERATURE, POLITICAL HISTORY AND POSTCOLONIAL THEORY, THIS SIGNIFICANT ADDITION TO THE CROSS-CULTURAL STUDY OF LITERATURES WILL BE OF INTEREST TO SCHOLARS OF AFRICAN AMERICAN STUDIES, AFRICAN STUDIES AND AMERICAN LITERARY STUDIES.

THE SCIENTIFIC STUDY OF SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR (PSYCHOLOGY REVIVALS) MICHAEL ARGYLE 2013-11-26 ORIGINALLY PUBLISHED IN 1957, THIS BOOK PRESENTED AN UP-TO-DATE ACCOUNT OF PSYCHOLOGICAL RESEARCH INTO HUMAN SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR OF THE TIME. THERE ARE CHAPTERS ON INTERACTION BETWEEN PAIRS OF PEOPLE, BEHAVIOUR IN SMALL SOCIAL GROUPS, AND HUMAN RELATIONS IN INDUSTRY. THE AUTHOR AVOIDED THE ADOPTION OF ANY PARTICULAR THEORETICAL POSITION, AND CONCENTRATED ON THE ESTABLISHED EMPIRICAL FINDINGS OF THE TIME. THE RESULTS OF SEVERAL HUNDRED INVESTIGATIONS ARE SUMMARISED AND COMPARED, SO THAT THE PRINCIPAL GENERALISATIONS WHICH EMERGE CAN BE SEEN. STRESS IS PLACED ON RIGOROUS METHODS OF RESEARCH, AND A CRITICAL ACCOUNT IS GIVEN OF CURRENT TECHNIQUES OF SOCIAL RESEARCH, SHOWING THE IMPORTANCE OF EXPERIMENTAL AND STATISTICAL METHODS. CAREFUL CONSIDERATION IS GIVEN TO THE DANGER OF THE INVESTIGATOR DISTURBING WHAT IS BEING INVESTIGATED. USE IS MADE OF RECENT IDEAS ABOUT THEORY AND EXPLANATION, AND THE DIFFERENT KINDS OF THEORY USED IN EXPERIMENTAL PSYCHOLOGY WERE CONSIDERED FOR THE FIRST TIME AS POSSIBLE WAYS OF ACCOUNTING FOR GROUP BEHAVIOUR. THIS BOOK WAS INTENDED NOT ONLY FOR STUDENTS OF PSYCHOLOGY AND OF THE OTHER SOCIAL SCIENCES, BUT ALSO FOR INDUSTRIALISTS, ADMINISTRATORS AND INDEED ALL WHO WERE INTERESTED IN THE LAWS UNDERLYING SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR. TODAY IT CAN BE READ AND ENJOYED IN ITS HISTORICAL CONTEXT.

THE EPIC TRICKSTER IN AMERICAN LITERATURE GREGORY E. RUTLEDGE 2013 JUST AS AFRICA AND THE WEST HAVE TRADITIONALLY FIT INTO BINARIES OF DARKNESS/ENLIGHTENMENT, SAVAGE/MODERN, UGLY/BEAUTIFUL, AND RITUAL/ART, AMONG OTHERS, MUCH OF WESTERN CULTURAL PRODUCTION RESTS UPON THE ARCHETYPAL BINARY OF TRICKSTER/EPIC, WITH TRICKSTER AESTHETICS AND COMMENSURATE CULTURAL FORMS CHARACTERIZING AFRICA. CHALLENGING THIS BINARY AND THE EXCEPTIONALISM THAT UNDERLIES ANTI-HEGEMONIC EFFORTS EVEN TODAY, THIS BOOK BEGINS WITH THE SCHOLARLY FOUNDATIONS THAT MAPPED OUT AFRICAN TRICKSTER CONTINUITIES IN THE UNITED STATES AND EXCAVATED THE AESTHETICS OF TRADITIONAL AFRICAN EPIC PERFORMANCES. RUTLEDGE LOCATES TRICKSTER-LIKE CAPACITIES WITHIN THE EPIC HERO ARCHETYPE (THE "EPIC TRICKSTER" PARADIGM) AND CONSTRUCTS AN HOMERIC DIASPORA, WHICH IS TO SAY THAT THE MODERN HOMERIC PERFORMANCE FOUNDATION LIES AT AN ABSOLUTE TIME AND DISTANCE AWAY FROM THE ANCIENT STORYTELLING PERFORMANCE NEEDED TO UNDERSTAND THE CAUTIONARY AESTHETIC INSEPARABLE FROM EPIC POTENTIAL. AS TRADITIONAL EPIC PERFORMANCES DEMONSTRATE, UNCHECKED EPIC TRICKSTER DYNAMISM ANTICIPATES NOT ONLY BRUTAL IMPERIALISM AND CREATIVE DIVERSITY, BUT THE GREATEST THREAT TO EVERYONE, AN ECO-APOCALYPSE. RELYING UPON THE PREEMINENT SCHOLARSHIP ON AFRICAN-AMERICAN TRICKSTER-HEROES, TRADITIONAL AFRICAN HEROIC PERFORMANCES, AND CULTURAL STUDIES APPROACHES TO GRECO-ROMAN EPICS, RUTLEDGE TRACES THE EPIC TRICKSTER AESTHETIC THROUGH THREE SEMINAL AFRICAN-AMERICAN NOVELS KEENLY ATTUNED TO THE AMERICAN HOMERIC DIASPORA: CHARLES CHESNUTT'S *THE MARROW OF TRADITION*, RICHARD WRIGHT'S *NATIVE SON*, AND TONI MORRISON'S

BELOVED.

ALL THE FEELS / TOUS LES SENS MARIE CARRIÈRE 2021-02-26 ALL THE FEELS / TOUS LES SENS PRESENTS RESEARCH INTO EMOTION AND COGNITION IN CANADIAN, INDIGENOUS, AND QUEBEC WRITINGS IN ENGLISH OR FRENCH. AFFECT IS BOTH INTERNAL AND EXTERNAL, PRIVATE AND PUBLIC; WITH ITS FLUID BOUNDARIES, IT REPRESENTS A PRODUCTIVE DIMENSION FOR LITERARY ANALYSIS. THE EMERGING FIELD OF AFFECT STUDIES MAKES VITAL CLAIMS ABOUT ETHICAL IMPULSES, SOCIAL JUSTICE, AND CRITICAL RESISTANCE, AND THUS MUCH IS AT STAKE WHEN WE ADOPT AFFECTIVE READING PRACTICES. THE CONTRIBUTORS ASK WHAT WE CAN LEARN FROM READING CONTEMPORARY LITERATURES THROUGH THIS LENS. UNIQUE AND TIMELY, READABLE AND TEACHABLE, THIS COLLECTION IS A WELCOME RESOURCE FOR SCHOLARS OF LITERATURE, FEMINISM, PHILOSOPHY, AND TRANSNATIONAL STUDIES AS WELL AS ANYONE WHO YEARNS TO IMAGINE THE WORLD DIFFERENTLY. CONTRIBUTORS: NICOLE BROSSARD, MARIE CARRIÈRE, MATTHEW CORMIER, KIT DOBSON, NICOLETTA DOLCE, LOUISE DUPRÉ, MARGERY FEE, ANA MARÍA FRAILE-MARCOS, SMARO KAMBOURELI, AARON KREUTER, DANIEL LAFOREST, CARMEN MATA BARREIRO, URSULA MATHIS-MOSER, HEATHER MILNE, ERIC SCHMALTZ, MARTIN SNAUWAERT, JEANETTE DEN TOONDER

NOBODY IS SUPPOSED TO KNOW C. RILEY SNORTON 2014-03-01 SINCE THE EARLY 2000s, THE PHENOMENON OF THE “DOWN LOW”—BLACK MEN WHO HAVE SEX WITH MEN AS WELL AS WOMEN AND DO NOT IDENTIFY AS GAY, QUEER, OR BISEXUAL—HAS EXPLODED IN NEWS MEDIA AND POPULAR CULTURE, FROM THE OPRAH WINFREY SHOW TO R & B SINGER R. KELLY’S HIP HOPERA TRAPPED IN THE CLOSET. MOST DOWN-LOW STORIES ARE MORALITY TALES IN WHICH BLACK MEN ARE EITHER PREDATORS WHO RISK INFECTING THEIR UNSUSPECTING FEMALE PARTNERS WITH HIV OR VICTIMS OF A PATHOLOGICAL BLACK CULTURE THAT REPUDIATES OPENLY GAY IDENTITIES. IN BOTH CASES, DOWN-LOW NARRATIVES DEPICT BLACK MEN AS SEXUALLY DANGEROUS, DUPLICITOUS, PROMISCUOUS, AND CONTAMINATED. IN *NOBODY IS SUPPOSED TO KNOW*, C. RILEY SNORTON TRACES THE EMERGENCE AND CIRCULATION OF THE DOWN LOW IN CONTEMPORARY MEDIA AND POPULAR CULTURE TO SHOW HOW THESE PORTRAYALS REINFORCE TROUBLING PERCEPTIONS OF BLACK SEXUALITY. REWORKING EVE SEDGWICK’S NOTION OF THE “GLASS CLOSET,” SNORTON ADVANCES A NEW THEORY OF SUCH REPRESENTATIONS IN WHICH BLACK SEXUALITY IS MARKED BY HYPERVISIBILITY AND CONFINEMENT, SPECTACLE AND SPECULATION. THROUGH CLOSE READINGS OF NEWS, MUSIC, MOVIES, TELEVISION, AND GOSSIP BLOGS, *NOBODY IS SUPPOSED TO KNOW* EXPLORES THE CONTEMPORARY GENEALOGY, MEANING, AND FUNCTIONS OF THE DOWN LOW. SNORTON EXAMINES HOW THE DOWN LOW LINKS BLACKNESS AND QUEERNESS IN THE POPULAR IMAGINATION AND HOW THE DOWN LOW IS JUST ONE EXAMPLE OF HOW MEDIA AND POPULAR CULTURE SURVEIL AND POLICE BLACK SEXUALITY. LOOKING AT FIGURES SUCH AS MA RAINEY, BISHOP EDDIE L. LONG, J. L. KING, AND WILL SMITH, HE ULTIMATELY CONTENTS THAT DOWN-LOW NARRATIVES REVEAL THE LIMITS OF CURRENT UNDERSTANDINGS OF BLACK SEXUALITY.

DEMOCRACY’S LITERATURE PATRICK J. DENEEN 2005 AMERICAN LITERATURE IS PROFOUNDLY, ALMOST INESCAPABLY POLITICAL. AMERICA’S MOST THOUGHTFUL AUTHORS LONG AGO REALIZED THAT IT WAS THROUGH THE NOVEL, THE NOVELLA, AND THE STORY THAT PHILOSOPHIC EDUCATION OF AMERICA’S CITIZENS WOULD BEST BE UNDERTAKEN. IN THIS FASCINATING NEW ANTHOLOGY OF ORIGINAL ESSAYS, TEN LEADING SCHOLARS EXPLORE THE WAYS IN WHICH AMERICAN CIVIC EDUCATION HAS BEEN INFORMALLY ADVANCED THROUGH LITERATURE. DELVING INTO THE WORKS OF AUTHORS RANGING FROM MARK TWAIN TO WILLIAM FAULKNER TO OCTAVIA BUTLER, THESE ESSAYS REFLECT ON THE CLOSE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN DEMOCRACY AND LITERATURE. THEY CONVEY AN UNDERSTANDING THAT THE GREATEST AMERICAN LITERARY WORKS ARE ALSO WORKS OF PROFOUND PHILOSOPHICAL INSIGHT. THROUGH CAREFUL ANALYSIS, *DEMOCRACY’S LITERATURE* ILLUSTRATES THAT DEMOCRACY AND LITERATURE ARE NATURAL PARTNERS, FORGING A RELATIONSHIP THAT AMERICA’S GREATEST AUTHORS HAVE LONG REALIZED IN THEIR SUBTLE EFFORTS TO CRAFT A DEMOCRATIC PUBLIC PHILOSOPHY.

BLACK CULTURAL MYTHOLOGY CHRISTEL N. TEMPLE 2020-04-01 OFFERS A NEW CONCEPTUAL FRAMEWORK ROOTED IN MYTHOLOGICAL ANALYSIS TO GROUND THE FIELD OF AFRICANA CULTURAL MEMORY STUDIES. WINNER OF THE 2021 CLA BOOK AWARD PRESENTED BY THE COLLEGE LANGUAGE ASSOCIATION *BLACK CULTURAL MYTHOLOGY* RETRIEVES THE CONCEPT OF “MYTHOLOGY” FROM ITS BLACK ARTS MOVEMENT ORIGINS AND BROADENS ITS SCOPE TO ILLUMINATE THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN LEGACIES OF HEROIC SURVIVAL, CULTURAL MEMORY, AND CREATIVE PRODUCTION IN THE AFRICAN DIASPORA. CHRISTEL N. TEMPLE COMPREHENSIVELY SURVEYS MORE THAN TWO HUNDRED YEARS OF FIGURES, MOMENTS, IDEAS, AND CANONICAL WORKS BY SUCH VISIONARIES AS MARIA STEWART, RICHARD WRIGHT, COLSON WHITEHEAD, AND EDWIDGE DANTICAT TO MAP AN EXPANSIVE YET BROADLY OVERLOOKED INTELLECTUAL TRADITION OF BLACK CULTURAL MYTHOLOGY AND TO PROVIDE A NEW CONCEPTUAL FRAMEWORK FOR ANALYZING THIS TRADITION. IN SO DOING, SHE AT ONCE REORIENTS AND STABILIZES THE EMERGENT FIELD OF AFRICANA CULTURAL MEMORY STUDIES, WHILE ALSO STAGING A MUCH BROADER INTERVENTION BY CHALLENGING SCHOLARS ACROSS DISCIPLINES—FROM LITERARY AND CULTURAL STUDIES, HISTORY, SOCIOLOGY, AND BEYOND—TO EMBRACE A MORE ORGANIC VOCABULARY TO ARTICULATE THE VITALITY OF THE INHERITANCE OF SURVIVAL. CHRISTEL N. TEMPLE IS ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF AFRICANA STUDIES AT THE UNIVERSITY OF PITTSBURGH. HER BOOKS INCLUDE *TRANSCENDENCE* AND *THE AFRICANA LITERARY*

ENTERPRISE; LITERARY SPACES: INTRODUCTION TO COMPARATIVE BLACK LITERATURE; AND LITERARY PAN-AFRICANISM: HISTORY, CONTEXTS, AND CRITICISM.

REVENGE VERSUS LEGALITY KATHERINE MAYNARD 2010-04-09 IN THE WAKE OF GUANTANAMO BAY, EXTRAORDINARY RENDITIONS, AND SECRET TORTURE CENTRES IN EASTERN EUROPE AND ELSEWHERE, REVENGE VERSUS LEGALITY ADDRESSES THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN LAW AND WILD OR VIGILANTE JUSTICE; BETWEEN THE POWER TO ENFORCE RETRIBUTION AND THE DESIRE TO SEEK REVENGE. TAKING UP A VARIETY OF NARRATIVES FROM THE ERAS OF ROMANTICISM, REALISM, MODERNISM AND THE CONTEMPORARY PERIOD, AND INCLUDING NEW THEORIES TO EXPLAIN THE INTERACTIONS THAT OCCUR BETWEEN LEGALISTIC COURTROOM JUSTICE AND THE VIGILANTE VARIETY, REVENGE VERSUS LEGALITY ANALYZES SOME OF THE MAIN OBSTACLES TO JUSTICE, RANGING FROM JUDICIAL CORRUPTION, TO RACISM AND IMPERIALISM. THE BOOK CULMINATES IN A CONSIDERATION OF THAT FORM OF CRIME OR LAWLESSNESS THAT POSES THE MOST SERIOUS THREAT TO THE RULE OF LAW: VIGILANTE JUSTICE MASQUERADING AS LEGALITY. WITH ITS MIXTURE OF POLITICS, LITERATURE, LAW, AND FILM, THIS LIVELY AND ACCESSIBLE BOOK OFFERS A TIMELY REFLECTION ON THE ENDURING PHENOMENON OF REVENGE.

DANGEROUS SPACES: BEYOND THE RACIAL PROFILE D. MARVIN JONES 2016-10-24 AN EYE-OPENING, UNAPOLOGETIC EXPLANATION OF WHAT "RACIAL PROFILING" IS IN MODERN-DAY AMERICA: SYSTEMATIC TARGETING OF COMMUNITIES AND PLACING OF SUSPICION ON POPULATIONS, ON THE BASIS OF NOT ONLY ETHNICITY BUT ALSO CERTAIN PLACES THAT ARE LINKED TO THE SOCIAL IDENTITY OF THAT GROUP. • OFFERS A NOVEL FRAMEWORK FOR UNDERSTANDING THE PROBLEM OF RACIAL PROFILING THAT EXPLAINS HOW PROFILING ACTUALLY INVOLVES THE INTERSECTION OF RACE AND SPACE • PROVIDES CONCRETE SOLUTIONS IN THE FORM OF A CIVIL RIGHTS RESTORATION ACT THAT ADDRESSES THE PROBLEM OF "RACIAL PROFILING" THROUGH A SET OF INNOVATIVE COMMUNITY CONTROLS ON THE DEPLOYMENT AND POWER OF POLICE • CONSTITUTES ESSENTIAL READING FOR STUDENTS, LAWYERS, JOURNALISTS, AND TEACHERS INTERESTED IN ISSUES OF RACE AND ETHNICITY AS WELL AS GENERAL READERS WANTING TO LEARN ABOUT RACIAL PROFILING IN AMERICAN SOCIETY

THE AMERICAN OPTIC MIKKO TUHKANEN 2010-07-02 BRINGS TOGETHER CRITICAL RACE THEORY AND PSYCHOANALYSIS TO EXAMINE AFRICAN AMERICAN AND OTHER DIASPORIC AFRICAN CULTURAL TEXTS.

MONOLINGUALISM AND LINGUISTIC EXHIBITIONISM IN FICTION ANJALI PANDEY 2016-01-25 HOW ARE LINGUISTIC WARS FOR GLOBAL PROMINENCE LITERARILY AND LINGUISTICALLY INSCRIBED IN LITERATURE? THIS BOOK FOCUSES ON THE INCREASING PRESENCE OF COSMETIC MULTILINGUALISM IN PRIZE-WINNING FICTION, MAKING A CASE FOR AN EMERGING TRANSPARENT-TURN IN WHICH MOMENTARY MULTILINGUALISM WORKS IN THE SERVICE OF LONG-TERM MONOLINGUALISM.

NARRATIVE ETHICS ADAM ZACHARY NEWTON 1995 THE ETHICS OF LITERATURE, FORMALISTS HAVE INSISTED, RESIDES IN THE MORAL QUALITY OF A CHARACTER, A STORY, PERHAPS THE RELATION BETWEEN AUTHOR AND READER. BUT IN THE WAKE OF DECONSTRUCTION AND VARIOUS FORMS OF CRITICISM FOCUSING ON DIFFERENCE, THE ETHICAL QUESTION HAS BEEN FRESHLY NEGOTIATED BY LITERARY STUDIES, AND TO THIS APPROACH ADAM NEWTON BRINGS A STARTLING NEW THRUST. HIS BOOK MAKES A COMPELLING CASE FOR UNDERSTANDING NARRATIVE AS ETHICS. ASSUMING AN INTRINSIC AND NECESSARY CONNECTION BETWEEN THE TWO, NEWTON EXPLORES THE ETHICAL CONSEQUENCES OF TELLING STORIES AND FICTIONALIZING CHARACTER, AND THE RECIPROCAL CLAIMS BINDING TELLER, LISTENER, WITNESS, AND READER IN THE PROCESS. HE TREATS THESE RELATIONS AS DEFINING PROPERTIES OF PROSE FICTION, OF PARTICULAR IMPORT IN NINETEENTH- AND TWENTIETH-CENTURY TEXTS. NEWTON'S FRESH AND NUANCED READINGS COVER A WIDE RANGE OF AUTHORS AND PERIODS, FROM CHARLES DICKENS TO KAZUO ISHIGURO AND JULIAN BARNES, FROM HERMAN MELVILLE TO RICHARD WRIGHT, FROM JOSEPH CONRAD AND HENRY JAMES TO SHERWOOD ANDERSON AND STEPHEN CRANE. AN ORIGINAL WORK OF THEORY AS WELL AS A DEFT CRITICAL PERFORMANCE, NARRATIVE ETHICS ALSO STAKES A CLAIM FOR ITSELF AS MORAL INQUIRY. TO THAT END, NEWTON BRAIDS TOGETHER THE ETHICAL-PHILOSOPHICAL PROJECTS OF EMMANUEL LEVINAS, STANLEY CAVELL, AND MIKHAIL BAKHTIN AS A KIND OF CHORUS FOR HIS TEXTUAL ANALYSES--AN ELEGANT BRIDGE BETWEEN PHILOSOPHY'S EAR AND LITERARY CRITICISM'S VOICE. HIS WORK WILL GENERATE ENORMOUS INTEREST AMONG SCHOLARS AND STUDENTS OF ENGLISH AND AMERICAN LITERATURE, AS WELL AS SPECIALISTS IN NARRATIVE AND LITERARY THEORY, HERMENEUTICS, AND CONTEMPORARY PHILOSOPHY. TABLE OF CONTENTS: ACKNOWLEDGMENTS ABBREVIATIONS NARRATIVE AS ETHICS TOWARD A NARRATIVE ETHICS WE DIE IN A LAST WORD: CONRAD'S LORD JIM AND ANDERSON'S WINESBURG, OHIO LESSONS OF (FOR) THE MASTER: SHORT FICTION BY HENRY JAMES CREATING THE UNCREATED FEATURES OF HIS FACE: MONSTRATION IN CRANE, MELVILLE, AND WRIGHT TELLING OTHERS: SECRECY AND RECOGNITION IN DICKENS, BARNES, AND ISHIGURO CONCLUSION NOTES INDEX REVIEWS OF THIS BOOK: NEWTON'S BOOK WILL BECOME A PIVOTAL TEXT IN OUR DISCUSSIONS OF THE ETHICAL IMPLICATIONS OF READING. HE HAS TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT A GREAT DEAL OF PRIOR WORK, AND WRITTEN WITH JUDGMENT AND WISDOM. --DANIEL SCHWARTZ, NARRATIVE REVIEWS OF THIS BOOK: NEWTON OFFERS ELEGANT, PROVOCATIVE READINGS OF TEXTS RANGING FROM THE RIME OF THE ANCIENT MARINER TO WINESBURG, OHIO, THE REMAINS OF THE DAY, AND BLEAK HOUSE...NEWTON'S BOOK IS A RICH VEIN OF

CRITICAL ORE THAT CAN BE MINED PROFITABLY. --CHOICE READING NARRATIVE ETHICS IS A POWERFUL EXPERIENCE, FOR IT ENGAGES NOT JUST THE INTELLECT, BUT THE EMOTIONS, AND DARE I SAY, THE SPIRIT. IT STANDS APART FROM RECENT BOOKS ON ETHICS IN LITERATURE BY VIRTUE OF ITS SEVERE INSISTENCE ON ITS ALLEGIANCE TO AN ALTERNATIVE ETHICAL TRADITION. THIS ALTERNATIVE WAY OF THINKING--AND LIVING--HAS ITS ROOTS IN THE WORK OF THE JEWISH PHILOSOPHER EMMANUEL LEVINAS AND FINDS SUPPORT IN THE WRITINGS OF MIKHAIL BAKHTIN AND STANLEY CAVELL...STORIES, NEWTON ASSERTS, ARE NOT ETHICAL BECAUSE OF THEIR MORALS OR BECAUSE OF THEIR NORMATIVE LOGIC. THEY ARE ETHICAL BECAUSE OF THE WORK THEY PERFORM, IN THE SOCIAL WORLD, OF BINDING TELLER, LISTENER, WITNESS, AND READER TO ONE ANOTHER...THIS IS A WORK OF PASSION, INTEGRITY, COMMITMENT, AND MISSION. --JAY CLAYTON, VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY NEWTON PROBES WITH ADMIRABLE SUBTLETY THE KEY QUESTION: WHAT DO WE GAIN--AND WHAT DANGERS DO WE RUN--WHEN WE FULLY ENTER THE LIFE OF AN 'OTHER' THROUGH THAT 'OTHER'S' STORY? WE HAVE HERE A RARE COMBINATION OF DEEP AND LEARNED CRITICAL ACUMEN WITH PASSIONATE LOVE FOR LITERATURE AND SENSITIVITY TO ITS NUANCES. --WAYNE C. BOOTH, UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO ADAM ZACHARY NEWTON WRITES WITH ILLUMINATING PASSION. DRAWING ON WRITERS AS DIVERSE AS CONRAD AND HENRY JAMES, MELVILLE AND SHERWOOD ANDERSON, BAKHTIN AND LEVINAS, HE ASKS WHAT IT IS TO TURN ONE'S LIFE INTO A STORY FOR ANOTHER, AND WHAT IT IS TO RESPOND TO, OR AVOID THE CLAIM OF, ANOTHER PERSON'S NARRATION. HE HAS WRITTEN A WONDERFUL, IMPORTANT BOOK. --MARTHA NUSSBAUM, UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO

PUBLISHING BLACKNESS GEORGE HUTCHINSON 2018-05-09 FROM THE WHITE EDITORIAL AUTHENTICATION OF SLAVE NARRATIVES, TO THE CULTURAL HYBRIDITY OF THE HARLEM RENAISSANCE, TO THE OVERTLY INDEPENDENT PUBLICATIONS OF THE BLACK ARTS MOVEMENT, TO THE COMMERCIAL POWER OF OPRAH'S BOOK CLUB, AFRICAN AMERICAN TEXTUALITY HAS BEEN UNIQUELY SHAPED BY THE CONTESTS FOR CULTURAL POWER INHERENT IN LITERARY PRODUCTION AND DISTRIBUTION. ALWAYS HAUNTED BY THE COMMODIFICATION OF BLACKNESS, AFRICAN AMERICAN LITERARY PRODUCTION INTERFACES WITH THE PROCESSES OF PUBLICATION AND DISTRIBUTION IN PARTICULARLY CHARGED WAYS. AN ENERGETIC EXPLORATION OF THE STRUGGLES AND COMPLEXITIES OF AFRICAN AMERICAN PRINT CULTURE, THIS COLLECTION RANGES ACROSS THE HISTORY OF AFRICAN AMERICAN LITERATURE, AND THE AUTHORS HAVE MUCH TO CONTRIBUTE ON SUCH ISSUES AS EDITORIAL AND ARCHIVAL PRESERVATION, CANONIZATION, AND THE "PACKAGING" AND REPACKAGING OF BLACK-AUTHORED TEXTS. PUBLISHING BLACKNESS AIMS TO PROJECT AFRICAN AMERICANIST SCHOLARSHIP INTO THE DISCOURSE OF TEXTUAL SCHOLARSHIP, PROVOKING FURTHER WORK IN A VITAL AREA OF LITERARY STUDY.

THE ROUTLEDGE COMPANION TO AFRICAN AMERICAN THEATRE AND PERFORMANCE KATHY A. PERKINS 2018-12-07 THE ROUTLEDGE COMPANION TO AFRICAN AMERICAN THEATRE AND PERFORMANCE IS AN OUTSTANDING COLLECTION OF SPECIALLY WRITTEN ESSAYS THAT CHARTS THE EMERGENCE, DEVELOPMENT, AND DIVERSITY OF AFRICAN AMERICAN THEATRE AND PERFORMANCE—FROM THE NINETEENTH-CENTURY AFRICAN GROVE THEATRE TO AFROFUTURISM. ALONGSIDE CHAPTERS FROM SCHOLARS ARE CONTRIBUTIONS FROM THEATRE MAKERS, INCLUDING PRODUCERS, THEATRE MANAGERS, CHOREOGRAPHERS, DIRECTORS, DESIGNERS, AND CRITICS. THIS AMBITIOUS COMPANION INCLUDES: A "TIMELINE OF AFRICAN AMERICAN THEATRE AND PERFORMANCE." PART I "SEEING OURSELVES ONSTAGE" EXPLORES THE IMPORTANT EXPERIENCE OF BLACK THEATRICAL SELF-REPRESENTATION. ANALYSES OF DIVERSE TOPICS INCLUDING HISTORICAL DRAMAS, BROADWAY MUSICALS, AND EXPERIMENTAL THEATRE ALLOW READERS TO DISCOVER EXPANSIVE ARTICULATIONS OF BLACKNESS. PART II "INSTITUTION BUILDING" HIGHLIGHTS INSTITUTIONS THAT HAVE NURTURED BLACK PEOPLE BOTH ON STAGE AND BEHIND THE SCENES. TOPICS INCLUDE HISTORICALLY BLACK COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES (HBCUs), FESTIVALS, AND BLACK ACTOR TRAINING. PART III "THEATRE AND SOCIAL CHANGE" SURVEYS KEY MOMENTS WHEN BLACK PEOPLE HARNESSSED THE POWER OF THEATRE TO AFFIRM COMMUNITY REALITIES AND POSIT NEW REPRESENTATIONS FOR THEMSELVES AND THE NATION AS A WHOLE. TOPICS INCLUDE DU BOIS AND AFRICAN MUSLIMS, WOMEN OF THE BLACK ARTS MOVEMENT, AFRO-LATINX THEATRE, YOUTH THEATRE, AND OPERATIC SUSTENANCE FOR AN AFRO FUTURE. PART IV "EXPANDING THE TRADITIONAL STAGE" EXAMINES BLACK PERFORMANCE TRADITIONS THAT PRIVILEGE BLACK WORLDVIEWS, SENSE-MAKING, RITUALS, AND INNOVATION IN EVERYDAY LIFE. THIS SECTION EXPLORES PERFORMANCES THAT PREFER THE SPACE OF THE KITCHEN, CLASSROOM, CLUB, OR FIELD. THIS BOOK ENGAGES A WIDE AUDIENCE OF SCHOLARS, STUDENTS, AND THEATRE PRACTITIONERS WITH ITS UNPRECEDENTED BREADTH. MORE THAN ANYTHING, THESE INVALUABLE INSIGHTS NOT ONLY OFFER A WINDOW ONTO THE PROCESSES OF PRODUCING WORK, BUT ALSO THE LABOUR AND ECONOMIC ISSUES THAT HAVE SHAPED AND ENABLED AFRICAN AMERICAN THEATRE.

THE END OF GOD-TALK ANTHONY B. PINN 2012-01-19 IN THIS GROUNDBREAKING STUDY, ANTHONY B. PINN CHALLENGES THE LONG HELD ASSUMPTION THAT AFRICAN AMERICAN THEOLOGY IS SOLELY THEIST, ARGUING THAT THIS ASSUMPTION HAS EXCLUDED A RAPIDLY GROWING SEGMENT OF THE AFRICAN AMERICAN POPULATION - NON-THEISTS. REJECTING THE ASSUMPTION OF THEISM AS THE AFRICAN AMERICAN ORIENTATION, PINN POSES A CRUCIAL QUESTION: WHAT IS A NON-THEISTIC THEOLOGY?

THE POLITICS OF RICHARD WRIGHT JANE ANNA GORDON 2019-01-11 A PILLAR OF AFRICAN AMERICAN LITERATURE, RICHARD WRIGHT IS ONE OF THE MOST CELEBRATED AND CONTROVERSIAL AUTHORS IN AMERICAN HISTORY. HIS WORK CHAMPIONED

INTELLECTUAL FREEDOM AMID SOCIAL AND POLITICAL CHAOS. DESPITE THE POPULAR AND CRITICAL SUCCESS OF BOOKS SUCH AS *UNCLE TOM'S CHILDREN* (1938), *BLACK BOY* (1945), AND *NATIVE SON* (1941), WRIGHT FACED STAUNCH CRITICISM AND EVEN CENSORSHIP THROUGHOUT HIS CAREER FOR THE GRAPHIC SEXUALITY, INTENSE VIOLENCE, AND COMMUNIST THEMES IN HIS WORK. YET, MANY POLITICAL THEORISTS HAVE IGNORED HIS RADICAL IDEAS. IN *THE POLITICS OF RICHARD WRIGHT*, AN INTERDISCIPLINARY GROUP OF SCHOLARS EMBRACES THE CONTROVERSIES SURROUNDING WRIGHT AS A PUBLIC INTELLECTUAL AND AUTHOR. SEVERAL CONTRIBUTORS EXPLORE HOW THE WRITER MIXED FACT AND FICTION TO CAPTURE THE EMPIRICAL AND EMOTIONAL REALITY OF LIVING AS A BLACK PERSON IN A RACIST WORLD. OTHERS EXAMINE THE ROLE OF GENDER IN WRIGHT'S CANONICAL AND LESSER-KNOWN WRITING AND THE IMPLICATIONS OF BLACK MALE VULNERABILITY. THEY ALSO DISCUSS THE TOPICS OF BLACK SUBJECTIVITY, INTERNATIONALISM AND DIASPORA, AND THE LEGACY OF AND RESPONSES TO SLAVERY IN AMERICA. WRIGHT'S CONTRIBUTIONS TO AMERICAN POLITICAL THOUGHT REMAIN VITAL AND RELEVANT TODAY. *THE POLITICS OF RICHARD WRIGHT* IS AN INDISPENSABLE RESOURCE FOR STUDENTS OF AMERICAN LITERATURE, CULTURE, AND POLITICS WHO STRIVE TO INTERPRET THIS INFLUENTIAL WRITER'S LIFE AND LEGACY.

FEMINIST IMAGINATION VIKKI BELL 1999-11-28 READING FEMINIST THEORY AS A COMPLEX IMAGINATIVE ACHIEVEMENT, FEMINIST IMAGINATION CONSIDERS FEMINIST COMMITMENT THROUGH THE INTERROGATION OF ITS PHILOSOPHICAL, POLITICAL AND AFFECTIVE CONNECTIONS WITH THE PAST, AND ESPECIALLY WITH THE 'RACE' TRIALS OF THE TWENTIETH CENTURY. THE BOOK LOOKS AT: THE 'DIRECTIONLESSNESS' OF CONTEMPORARY FEMINIST THOUGHT; THE QUESTION OF ESSENTIALISM AND EMBODIMENT; THE RACIAL TENSIONS IN THE WORK OF SIMONE DE BEAUVOIR; THE TOTALITARIAN CHARACTER IN HANNAH ARENDT; THE 'MIMETIC JEW' AND THE CONCEPT OF MIMESIS IN THE WORK OF JUDITH BUTLER. VIKKI BELL PROVIDES A COMPELLING RETHINKING OF FEMINIST THEORY AS BOUND UP WITH ATTEMPTS TO UNDERSTAND OPPRESSION OUTSIDE A FOCUS ON 'WOMEN'. SHE AFFIRMS FEMINI

RICHARD WRIGHT KENETH KINNAMON 2014-11-04 AFRICAN-AMERICAN WRITER RICHARD WRIGHT (1908-1960) WAS CELEBRATED DURING THE EARLY 1940S FOR HIS SEARING AUTOBIOGRAPHY (*BLACK BOY*) AND FICTION (*NATIVE SON*). BY 1947 HE FELT SO UNWELCOME IN HIS HOMETLAND THAT HE EXILED HIMSELF AND HIS FAMILY IN PARIS. BUT HIS WRITINGS CHANGED AMERICAN CULTURE FOREVER, AND TODAY THEY ARE MAINSTAYS OF LITERATURE AND COMPOSITION CLASSES. HE AND HIS WORKS ARE ALSO THE SUBJECTS OF NUMEROUS CRITICAL ESSAYS AND COMMENTARIES BY CONTEMPORARY WRITERS. THIS VOLUME PRESENTS A COMPREHENSIVE ANNOTATED BIBLIOGRAPHY OF THOSE ESSAYS, BOOKS, AND ARTICLES FROM 1983 THROUGH 2003. ARRANGED ALPHABETICALLY BY AUTHOR WITHIN YEARS ARE SOME 8,320 ENTRIES RANGING FROM UNPUBLISHED DISSERTATIONS TO BOOK-LENGTH STUDIES OF AFRICAN AMERICAN LITERATURE AND LITERARY CRITICISM. ALSO INCLUDED AS AN APPENDIX ARE ADDENDA TO THE AUTHOR'S EARLIER BIBLIOGRAPHY COVERING THE YEARS FROM 1934 THROUGH 1982. THIS IS THE EXHAUSTIVE REFERENCE FOR SERIOUS STUDENTS OF RICHARD WRIGHT AND HIS CRITICS.

RICHARD WRIGHT WRITING AMERICA AT HOME AND FROM ABROAD VIRGINIA WHATLEY SMITH 2016-06-27 CRITICS IN THIS VOLUME REASSESS THE PRESCIENT NATURE OF RICHARD WRIGHT'S MIND AS WELL AS HIS LIFE AND BODY OF WRITINGS, ESPECIALLY THOSE DIRECTLY CONCERNED WITH AMERICA AND ITS RACIAL DYNAMICS. THIS EDITED COLLECTION OFFERS NEW READINGS AND UNDERSTANDINGS OF THE PARTICULAR AMERICA THAT BECAME WRIGHT'S FOCUS AT THE BEGINNING OF HIS CAREER AND WAS STILL PROMINENT IN HIS MIND AT THE END. VIRGINIA WHATLEY SMITH'S EDITED COLLECTION EXAMINES WRIGHT'S FIXATION WITH AMERICA AT HOME AND FROM ABROAD: HIS OPPRESSION BY, REJECTION OF, CONFLICT WITH, REVOLTS AGAINST, AND FLIGHT FROM AMERICA. OTHER PEOPLE HAVE WRITTEN ON WRIGHT'S REVOLUTIONARY HEROES, HIS DIFFICULTIES WITH THE FBI, AND HIS WORKS AS A POSTCOLONIAL PROVOCATEUR; BUT NONE HAVE FOCUSED SINGLY ON HIS TREATMENT OF AMERICA. WHEREVER WRIGHT TRAVELED, HE ALWAYS POSITIONED HIMSELF AS AN AFRICAN AMERICAN AS HE COMPARED HIS EXPERIENCES TO THOSE AT HAND. HOWEVER, AS HIS DOMESTIC SETTLEMENTS CHANGED TO INTERNATIONAL RESIDENCES, WRIGHT'S CRAFTSMANSHIP CHANGED AS WELL. TO CONVEY HIS CULTURAL MESSAGE, WRIGHT CREATED CHARACTERS, THEMES, AND PLOTS THAT WOULD EXPOSE ARBITRARY AND WHIMSICAL AMERICAN POLICIES, OPPRESSIVE RULES WHICH WOULD INVARIABLY ENSNARE WRIGHT'S PROTAGONISTS AND SINK THEM MORE DEEPLY INTO THE QUAGMIRE OF RACIAL SUBJUGATION AS THEY GRASPED FOR A FLEETING MOMENT OF FREEDOM. SMITH'S COLLECTION BRINGS TO THE FORE NEW WAYS OF LOOKING AT WRIGHT, PARTICULARLY HIS POST-*NATIVE SON* INTERNATIONAL WRITINGS. INDEED, NO CRITICAL INTERROGATIONS HAVE CONSIDERED THE FULL SIGNIFICANCE OF WRIGHT'S MASTERFUL CRIME FICTIONS. IN ADDITION, THE AUTHOR'S HAIKU POETRY COMPLEMENTS THE FICTIONAL PIECES ADDRESSED HERE, REFLECTING WRIGHT'S ATTITUDE TOWARD AMERICA AS HE, NEAR THE END OF HIS LIFE, SEARCHED FOR NIRVANA--HIS ANTIDOTE TO AMERICAN RACISM.

ANXIOUS MEN BALDWIN CLIVE BALDWIN 2020-03-02 EXPLORES REPRESENTATIONS OF MEN AND MASCULINITY IN AMERICAN FICTION PUBLISHED AFTER THE SECOND WORLD WAR OFFERS READINGS OF A WIDE SELECTION OF POSTWAR AMERICAN NOVELS FROM 1945 TO THE MID-1950S, INCLUDING CANONICAL WORKS, FROM THE UNIQUE PERSPECTIVE OF THEIR REPRESENTATION OF MALE IDENTITY PROVIDES RICH COMPARATIVE INSIGHTS THROUGH ANALYSIS OF FICTION BY WRITERS OF DIVERSE RACE, CLASS AND SEXUALITY DEMONSTRATES HOW GENDER THEORY GENERATES INSIGHTS INTO THE CONSTITUTION OF AMERICAN MASCULINITY IN

FICTION FOCUSING ON A COMPLEX AND CONTENTIOUS PERIOD THAT WAS FORMATIVE IN SHAPING AMERICAN SOCIETY AND CULTURE IN THE TWENTIETH CENTURY, THIS BOOK SHEDS NEW LIGHT ON THE WAYS IN WHICH FICTION ENGAGED WITH CONTEMPORARY NOTIONS OF MASCULINITY. IT DRAWS ON GENDER THEORY AND ANALYSIS OF WRITERS FROM DIVERSE BACKGROUNDS OF RACE, CLASS AND SEXUALITY TO PROVIDE RICH COMPARATIVE INSIGHTS INTO THE CONSTITUTION OF AMERICAN MASCULINITY IN FICTION. THE EXTENSIVE RANGE OF NOVELS CONSIDERED INCLUDES FRESH ANALYSES OF KEY AUTHORS SUCH AS JAMES BALDWIN, TRUMAN CAPOTE, PATRICIA HIGHSMITH, JACK KEROUAC, NORMAN MAILER, ANN PETRY, J. D. SALINGER AND GORE VIDAL.