

# The Journal of Asian Studies

---

VOLUME 54

---

NUMBER 1

---

FEBRUARY 1995

---

PUBLISHED BY  
THE ASSOCIATION  
FOR ASIAN STUDIES, INC.

*Now in paperback!*

## LIQUID LIFE

Abortion and Buddhism in Japan

**William R. LaFleur**

Why would a country strongly influenced by Buddhism's reverence for life allow legalized, widely used abortion? In this provocative investigation, William LaFleur examines abortion as a window on the culture and ethics of Japan.

"Objective, informed, observant, and imaginative. William LaFleur not only enlarges our knowledge, he also uses his single topic to illuminate a broad and fundamental feature of Japanese society itself."

—Donald Richie, *Japan Times Weekly*

Now in paper: \$14.95 ISBN 0-691-02965-2  
Due February 1995

## SERVANTS, SHOPHANDS, AND LABORERS IN THE CITIES OF TOKUGAWA JAPAN

**Gary P. Leupp**

In this analysis of lower-class life in Tokugawa Japan, Gary Leupp vividly portrays the emergence of an urban proletariat during a time of extraordinary economic change.

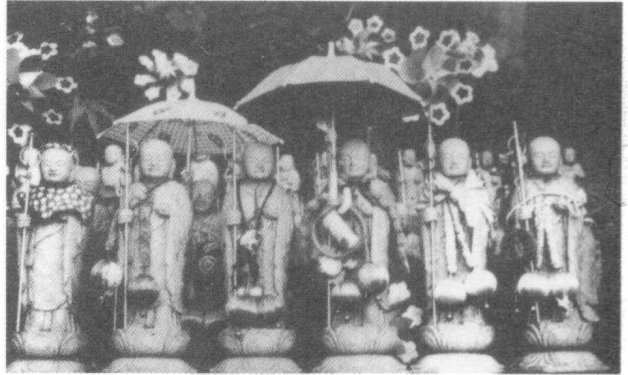
"This book is especially welcome because it waters a barren desert in the English-language historiography. . . . This comprehensive book should be read by all scholars interested in modern Japanese society, and especially those interested in urban Japan."

—Luke Roberts, *The Journal of Asian Studies*

"A creative and intelligent examination of the urban working class in Tokugawa Japan. . . . The most wide-ranging discussion of the subject available in English. . . . This is not just good social history, it is also fun reading."

—William B. Hauser, *Journal of Japanese Studies*

Now in paper: \$16.95 ISBN 0-691-02961-X  
Due February 1995



## THE RHETORIC OF IMMEDIACY

A Cultural Critique of Chan/Zen Buddhism

**Bernard Faure**

Through a highly sensitive exploration of key concepts and metaphors, Bernard Faure guides Western readers in appreciating some of the more elusive aspects of the Chinese tradition of Chan Buddhism and its outgrowth, Japanese Zen.

"Not since D. T. Suzuki has any responsible scholar attempted in English to synthesize such a broad stretch of the history of Zen Buddhism as has Bernard Faure. [The book] offers the best narration in English of the role that magicians, healers, jesters, relics, mummies, dreams, funerals, deities, and mundane rituals play in a tradition that lays claim to emptiness."—Stephen F. Teiser, *Journal of Religion*

Now in paper: \$17.95 ISBN 0-691-02963-6 Due March 1995

*New edition*

## TO SEE THE BUDDHA

A Philosopher's Quest for the Meaning of  
Emptiness

**Malcolm David Eckel**

Malcolm David Eckel takes us on a contemporary quest to discover the essential meaning behind the Buddha's many representations. Eckel's bold thesis proposes that the proper understanding of Buddhist philosophy must be thoroughly religious—an understanding revealed in Eckel's new translation of the philosopher Bhāvaviveka's major work, *The Flame of Reason*, included here.

"Eckel has masterfully drawn on the richness of the Indian language of the senses to shed light on the multiple voices being heard in the philosophical chorus. . . ."

—Daniel Boucher, *Journal of the American Academy of Religion*

Paper: \$16.95 ISBN 0-691-03773-6 Available now

**PRINCETON UNIVERSITY PRESS**

AVAILABLE AT FINE BOOKSTORES OR DIRECTLY FROM THE PUBLISHER, 609-683-1759

# The Journal of Asian Studies

Volume 54 • Number 1 • February 1995

## CONTENTS

In This Issue 1

### Articles

Coping with Shanghai: Means to Survival and Success  
in the Early Twentieth Century—A Symposium

Introduction	TAHIRIH V. LEE	3
Licensing Leisure: The Chinese Nationalists' Attempt to Regulate Shanghai, 1927–49	FREDERIC WAKEMAN, JR.	19
China Unincorporated: Company Law and Business Enterprise in Twentieth-Century China	WILLIAM C. KIRBY	43
The Green Gang and the Guomindang State: Du Yuesheng and the Politics of Shanghai, 1927–37	BRIAN G. MARTIN	64
Away from Nanking Road: Small Stores and Neighborhood Life in Modern Shanghai	HANCHAO LU	93

---

Chinese Religions—The State of the Field,  
Part I

Early Religious Traditions: The Neolithic Period through  
the Han Dynasty, ca. 4000 B.C.E. to 220 C.E.

Introduction	DANIEL L. OVERMYER	124
Neolithic and Shang Periods	DAVID N. KEIGHTLEY	128
Western Chou Period	EDWARD L. SHAUGHNESSY	145
Spring and Autumn Period	CONSTANCE A. COOK	148
Warring States, Ch'in, and Han Periods	DONALD HARPER	152

Communication to the Editor 161

### Book Reviews

#### Asia General

ADAS (ed.), <i>Islamic and European Expansion: The Forging of a Global Order</i>	ANDRE GUNDER FRANK	163
AMES (ed.); with DISSANAYAKE and KASULIS, <i>Self as Person in Asian Theory and Practice</i>	IRENE BLOOM	164

BARNABY, <i>How Nuclear Weapons Spread: Nuclear-Weapon Proliferation in the 1990s</i>	RAJU G. C. THOMAS	166
BRANDON and RAMANKUTTY, <i>Toward an Environmental Strategy for Asia</i>	MICHAEL C. HOWARD	166
COLBURN, <i>The Vogue of Revolution in Poor Countries</i>	EDWARD FRIEDMAN	170
GAZAGNADOU, <i>La Poste à Relais</i>	S. A. M. ADSHEAD	172
GIPOULOUX (ed.), <i>Regional Economic Strategies in East Asia: A Comparative Perspective</i>	CHENG-TIAN KUO	173
GRUNDY-WARR (ed.), <i>World Boundaries. Volume 3: Eurasia</i>	HARLAN W. JENCKS	174
HARRIS, <i>Factories of Death: Japanese Biological Warfare, 1932–1945, and the American Cover Up</i>	ROBERT S. LA FORTE	175
MASAVISUT, SIMSON, and SMITH (eds.), <i>Gender and Culture in Literature and Film East and West: Issues of Perception and Interpretation</i>	ACKBAR ABBAS	177
RACIOPPI, <i>Soviet Policy Towards South Asia Since 1970</i>	ŠUMIT GANGULY	178
RICHARDS, <i>The Imperial Archive: Knowledge and the Fantasy of Empire</i>	W. L. BALLARD	179
SRINIVASAN (ed.), <i>Agriculture and Trade in China and India</i>	D. GALE JOHNSON	180
WHITE, <i>Turbans and Traders: Hong Kong's Indian Communities</i>	JANE KATE LEONARD	182
WORLD BANK, <i>The East Asian Miracle: Economic Growth and Public Policy</i>	YOKO SAZANAMI	184
China and Inner Asia		
BARNETT, <i>China's Far West: Four Decades of Change</i>	JONATHAN N. LIPMAN	185
CHAN (ed.); with YOUNG, <i>Precarious Balance: Hong Kong Between China and Britain, 1842–1992</i>	ARTHUR L. ROSENBAUM	187
CHANG, <i>K'ang-chan shih-ch'i ti kuo-chun jen-shih</i> [Anatomy of the Nationalist Army, 1937–1945]	JAMES C. HSIUNG	189
GOLDMAN, <i>Sowing the Seeds of Democracy in China: Political Reform in the Deng Xiaoping Era</i>	JOHN FINCHER	190
GRIDLEY, <i>Chinese Buddhist Sculpture Under the Liao (Free Standing Works in Situ and Selected Examples from Public Collections)</i>	NANCY SHATZMAN STEINHARDT	191
HE; with CHIK, <i>Mr. China's Son: A Villager's Life</i>	BETH E. NOTAR	194
JULLIEN, <i>Figures de l'immanence: Pour une lecture philosophique de Yi king, le Classique du changement</i> [Figures of immanency: concerning a philosophical reading of the Yijing, the <i>Classic of Changes</i> ]	RICHARD JOHN LYNN	195
LEUNG (ed.), <i>Historical Dictionary of Revolutionary China, 1839–1976</i>	DAVID DEAL	197

LEVATHES, <i>When China Ruled the Seas: The Treasure Fleet of the Dragon Throne, 1405–1433</i>	EDWARD L. DREYER	198
MACFARQUHAR and FAIRBANK (eds.), <i>The Cambridge History of China, Volume 15, The People's Republic, Part 2: Revolutions within the Chinese Revolution, 1966–1982</i>	DAVID SHAMBAUGH	199
PAKSOY (ed.), <i>Central Asia Reader: The Rediscovery of History</i>	LINDA BENSON	202
PASTERNAK and SALAFF, <i>Cowboys and Cultivators: The Chinese of Inner Mongolia</i>	THOMAS HOPPE	204
POTTER, <i>The Economic Contract Law of China: Legitimation and Contract Autonomy in the PRC</i>	JAMES V. FEINERMAN	205
TUCKER, <i>Taiwan, Hong Kong and the United States, 1945–1992</i>	ALLEN S. WHITING	206
VINOGRAD, <i>Boundaries of the Self: Chinese Portraits, 1600–1900</i>	JONATHAN HAY	208
WELLER, <i>Resistance, Chaos and Control in China: Taiping Rebels, Taiwanese Ghosts and Tiananmen</i>	RUDOLF G. WAGNER	209
ZITO and BARLOW (eds.), <i>Body, Subject, and Power in China</i>	SUSAN MANN	211

### Japan

ALLISON, <i>Nightwork: Sexuality, Pleasure, and Corporate Masculinity in a Tokyo Hostess Club</i>	DAVID DESSER	213
AOKI and DORE (eds.), <i>The Japanese Firm: Sources of Competitive Strength</i>	MARIE ANCHORDOGUY	214
BECK and BECK, <i>The Change of a Lifetime: Employment Patterns Among Japan's Managerial Elite</i>	ALLAN BIRD	215
GIFFARD, <i>Japan Among the Powers, 1890–1990</i>	DAVID ARASE	217
McMULLEN, <i>Genji gaiden, The Origins of Kumazawa Banzan's Commentary on The Tale of Genji</i>	CHAOTE LIN	218
OHNUKI-TIERNEY, <i>Rice as Self</i>	FELICIA G. BOCK	219
RAMIREZ-CHRISTENSEN, <i>Heart's Flower: The Life and Poetry of Shinkei</i>	STEPHEN D. MILLER	220
RÖLING; CASSESE (ed.), <i>The Tokyo Trial and Beyond: Reflections of a Peacemonger</i>	THEODORE MCNELLY	222
ROTHACHER, <i>The Japanese Power Elite</i>	BRIAN WOODALL	223
VESTAL, <i>Planning for Change: Industrial Policy and Japanese Economic Development, 1945–1990</i>	LEON HOLLERMAN	225

### Korea

CHO, <i>The Dynamics of Korean Economic Development</i>	JENE K. KOWN	226
GONCHAROV, LEWIS, and XUE, <i>Uncertain Partners: Stalin, Mao, and the Korean War</i>	CHONG-SIK LEE	228

GRAGERT, <i>Landownership Under Colonial Rule: Korea's Japanese Experience, 1900–1935</i>	ANDREW E. KIM	229
KIHL (ed.), <i>Korea and the World: Beyond the Cold War</i>	VICTOR D. CHA	231
LONE and MCCORMACK, <i>Korea Since 1850</i>	DONALD N. CLARK	232
South Asia		
BHAGWATI, <i>India in Transition: Freeing the Economy</i>	GEORGE ROSEN	234
GORDON, <i>The New Cambridge History of India, Volume 11.4. The Marathas, 1600–1818</i>	CYNTHIA TALBOT	236
GOYAL, <i>History and Historiography of the Age of Harsha</i>	ROBERT A. HUECKSTEDT	237
HERTEL and HUMES (eds.), <i>Living Banaras: Hindu Religion in Cultural Context</i>	DANIEL GOLD	239
HUSEIN, <i>The Rise and Decline of the Rubela Chieftaincies in 18th Century India</i>	STEWART GORDON	240
KORSON (ed.), <i>Contemporary Problems of Pakistan</i>	CRAIG BAXTER	241
MAJUMDAR (ed.), <i>Nature, Man and the Indian Economy</i>	JNANABRATA BHATTACHARYYA	242
OMVEDT, <i>Reinventing Revolution: New Social Movements and the Socialist Tradition in India</i>	BETH ROY	244
PANDAY, <i>Above the Forest: A Study of Andamanese Ethnoanemology, Cosmology, and the Power of Ritual</i>	DEBORAH WINSLOW	246
RAMANUJAN, RAO, and SHULMAN (eds. and trans.), <i>When God Is a Customer: Telugu Courtesan Songs by Kṣetrayya and Others</i>	LESLIE C. ORR	247
SHULMAN, <i>The Hungry God: Hindu Tales of Filicide and Devotion</i>	PHILLIP B. WAGONER	248
Southeast Asia		
ALDRICH, <i>The Key to the South: Britain, the United States, and Thailand During the Approach of the Pacific War, 1929–1942</i>	ARLENE NEHER	249
COLOMBIJN, <i>Patches of Padang: The History of an Indonesian Town in the Twentieth Century and the Use of Urban Space</i>	JAMES L. COBBAN	251
COMPTON and HARTMANN (eds.), <i>Papers on Tai Languages, Linguistics, and Literatures in Honor of William J. Gedney on His 77th Birthday</i>	THOMAS W. GETHING	253
HUYNH, <i>South Wind Changing</i>	STEVE RABSON	254
MARTIN; MCLEOD (trans.), <i>Cambodia: A Shattered Society</i>	DAVID CHANDLER	256
MATUSKY, <i>Malaysian Shadow Play and Music: Continuity of an Oral Tradition</i>	MARGARET SARKISSIAN	258
MULLINER and THE-MULLINER, <i>Historical Dictionary of Singapore</i>	TOM BELLOWS	259

MURPHY, <i>Harvest of Fear: A History of Australia's Vietnam War</i>	DAVID HUNT	260
RAMASAMY, <i>Plantation Labour, Unions, Capital, and the State in Peninsular Malaysia</i>	AMARJIT KAUR	262
ROSKIES (ed.), <i>Text/Politics in Island Southeast Asia: Essays in Interpretation</i>	ROGER J. BRESNAHAN	263
SINGH, <i>Independence and Democracy in Burma, 1945–1952: The Turbulent Years</i>	ALBERT D. MOSCOTTI	265
STERN, <i>Renovating the Vietnamese Communist Party: Nguyen Van Linh and the Programme for Organizational Reform, 1987–91</i>	CARLYLE A. THAYER	266
SHINYA and GUERRERO (eds.), <i>International Commercial Rivalry in Southeast Asia in the Interwar Period</i>	GRANT K. GOODMAN	267
WAKIN, <i>Anthropology Goes to War: Professional Ethics and Counterinsurgency in Thailand</i>	ANDREW TURTON	269
VAN NIEL, <i>Java Under the Cultivation System</i>	JOHN INGLESON	271
WOO, GLASSBURNER, and NASUTION, <i>Macroeconomic Policies, Crises, and Long-Term Growth in Indonesia, 1965–90</i>	DONALD R. SNODGRASS	272

#### Film and Video Reviews

CHEN (prod. and dir.), <i>Inner Visions: Avant Garde Art in China</i>	RICHARD KRAUS	274
WILLIAMS (prod. and dir.), <i>The Mao Years, 1949–1976</i>	PAUL A. COHEN	275

#### Other Books Received 277

# The Journal of Asian Studies

University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53201

Editorial Board. Editor: DAVID D. BUCK, *University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee*. Assistant Editors: China, JEFFREY C. KINKLEY, *St. John's University*; Japan, JAMES BARTHOLOMEW, *Ohio State University*; Korea, JAHYUN KIM HABOUSH, *University of Illinois*; South Asia, ANAND YANG, *University of Utah*; Southeast Asia, SUSAN D. RUSSELL, *Northern Illinois University*. Book Review Editors: China and Inner Asia, CHARLES W. HAYFORD, *Northwestern University*; Japan, PATRICIA WETZEL, *Portland State University*; Korea, YOUNG WHAN KIHIL, *Iowa State University*; South Asia, SANDRIA FREITAG, *The American Historical Association, Washington, D.C.*; Southeast Asia, CRAIG LOCKARD, *University of Wisconsin-Green Bay*.

Editorial Staff. Manuscript Editor: GLADYS BOVÉE. Editorial Assistants: JONATHAN GUMZ and CYNTHIA A. BIEDRZYCKI, *University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee*.

Sponsoring Institutions. University of Michigan, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee.

---

*The Journal of Asian Studies* (ISSN 0021-9118), founded in 1941 and known until September 1956 as the *Far Eastern Quarterly*, is published by the Association for Asian Studies (formerly The Far Eastern Association) in February, May, August, and November. The annual institutional subscription rate for the *Journal* (including the *Bibliography of Asian Studies* and the *Doctoral Dissertations on Asia*) is \$95, postage included. Regular members of the Association for Asian Studies receive the *Journal* as part of their annual membership. Single issues of the *Journal* and *Bibliography* published after February 1974 are available through the Secretariat of the Association. Issues published prior to 1958 may be purchased from A.M.S. Reprints, 56 East 13th Street, New York, NY 10003.

## GUIDELINES FOR SUBMISSION OF MANUSCRIPTS

Completed manuscripts, inquiries about material for possible publication, and correspondence to the editor should be sent to the *Journal's* editorial offices:

Anand A. Yang, editor  
*The Journal of Asian Studies*  
2150 LNCO  
University of Utah  
Salt Lake City, Utah 84112  
U.S.A.

Phone: 801-585-7269  
Fax: 801-585-5190  
E-mail: AnandYang@m.cc.utah.edu

Article manuscripts, including notes, should not exceed 40 pages in length. Please submit four copies. All submitted work should be double-spaced, including extracts, notes, and references. Consult recent issues of the *Journal* as a guide to format. Footnotes should be as few as possible, and typed double-spaced at the end of the text. Documentation should follow the style recommended in sections 16.3 through 16.28 of the *Chicago Manual of Style*, 14th ed. (Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 1993), pp. 641–51. Authors are encouraged to submit tables, figures, maps, photographs, and other illustrations along with their manuscripts; please consult the editor for specifications. Additional guidelines on manuscript preparation will be sent upon request.

All manuscripts submitted to the *JAS* are expected not to have been published elsewhere and not be under review for possible publication elsewhere. Unsolicited book reviews are not accepted.

Books for review and correspondence concerning reviews should be sent to the appropriate book review editor:

*Asia General*: Anand A. Yang (address above)

*China and Inner Asia*: Stephen Durrant, East Asian Languages and Literatures, 308 Friendly Hall, University of Oregon, Eugene, OR 97403

*Japan*: Patricia Wetzels, Department of Foreign Languages, Portland State University, Portland, OR 97207

*Korea*: Young Whan Kihl, Department of Political Science, Iowa State University, Ames, IA 50011

*South Asia*: Michael H. Fisher and Paula Richman, History Department, Oberlin College, Oberlin, OH 44074-1095

*Southeast Asia*: Craig Lockard, Social Change and Development, University of Wisconsin-Green Bay, Green Bay, WI 54302

Articles in *The Journal of Asian Studies* represent neither the views of the Association for Asian Studies nor those of the *JAS* editors. The editor is responsible for the final selection of the content of the *Journal* and reserves the right to reject any material deemed inappropriate for publication. Responsibility for opinions expressed and for the accuracy of facts published in articles and reviews rests solely with the individual authors.

Requests for permission to reprint and all correspondence regarding membership, subscriptions, advertising, or business should be addressed to the Association for Asian Studies, 1 Lane Hall, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI 48109. The *Journal* is indexed in the *Social Sciences & Humanities Index* and *Book Review Index* and abstracted in *Historical Abstracts* and *America: History and Life*. It is also available on film through University Microfilms, Ann Arbor, MI 48109.

Second class postage paid at Ann Arbor, Michigan, and at additional second class entry. POSTMASTER: Send address changes to The Association for Asian Studies, 1 Lane Hall, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI 48109.