



AMERASIA JOURNAL SPECIAL ISSUE CALL FOR PAPERS

SPORT IN ASIAN AMERICA

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From basketball leagues in the San Francisco Chinatown of the 1930s and 1940s to Michael Chang and Jeremy Lin, sport has always been an important site for understanding Asian American life. This special issue of *Amerasia Journal* focuses on how various forces—transnational processes, the contemporary era of globalization, histories of colonialism and imperialism, and U.S. domestic history—have shaped the cultural politics of sport in Asian America. For example, global media operates as a key site for commercial representations of Asianness in America and Americanness in Asia. Transnational sport shapes diasporic politics and reveals the contested and contradictory terrain of nationalisms in Asian American communities. The histories of sport in Asian and Pacific Islander communities are often embedded in the colonial histories that inform the relationship between Asian/American athletes and fans of the sport. Furthermore, sport featuring Asian/American players and teams create a sense of national community and identity in ways that reframe ethnicity and race in North America.

Taking into account the various forces mentioned above, we are interested in papers that address a broad range of possible topics, including but not limited to, Asian American sport and religion, Chinese and Chinese American basketball, gender, global sports icons, Korean and Korean American golfers, mass media, Pacific Islander football and rugby athletes, postcolonial cricket, tennis and golf as “model minority” sports, and transnational soccer.

Submission Guidelines and Review Process:

The guest editors, in consultation with the *Amerasia Journal* editors and peer reviewers, make the decisions on which submissions will be included in the special issue. The process is as follows:

- Initial review of submitted papers by guest editors and *Amerasia Journal* editorial staff
- Papers approved by editors will undergo blind peer review
- Revision of accepted peer-reviewed papers and final submission

Papers submitted for this special issue should be approximately 5,000 words in length. We especially welcome interdisciplinary and teachable writings to adopt for courses ranging from cultural studies to communication studies to literary studies as well as Asian American Studies and Ethnic Studies.

Please send papers regarding the special issue on “Sport in Asian America” to the following addresses. All correspondence should refer to “Amerasia Journal Asian American Sport” in the subject line.

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