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in the 40 essays that constitute this collection guy davenport one of america s major literary critics elucidates a range of literary history encompassing literature art philosophy and music from the ancients to the grand old men of modernism geographical imagination and the authority of images collects three papers and an interview on the themes presented and discussed during the 2005 hettner lectures cosgrove examines the roles that vision and imagination have played in shaping material and represented landscapes at scales ranging from the local and regional to the global and cosmic the book presents substantive studies of cosmographic and global mapping the picturesque tradition and suburban los angeles and the use of aetranspennine england as a geographical art gallery embedded in these are theoretical and ethical reflections on the ways that we come to know the world ourselves and each other through geographical engagements especially when these are mediated through graphic images the interview locates these themes within the context of denis cosgrove s development as a geographer and his response to debates within the discipline about the roles of imagination culture and representation within geographies s humanities tradition contents peter meusburger hans gebhardt introduction hettner lecture 2005 in heidelberg denis cosgrove apollo s eye a cultural geography of the globe denis cosgrove landscape culture and modernity denis cosgrove regional art transpennine geography remembered and exhibited tim freytag heike joens vision and the culturalae in geography a biographical interview with denis cosprove the klaus tschira foundations ggmbh u photographic representations hettner lecture 2005 u list of participants the advent of photography opened up new worlds to 19th century viewers who were able to visualize themselves and the world beyond in unprecedented detail but the emphasis on the photography s objectivity masked the subjectivity inherent in deciding what to record from what angle and when this text examines this inherent subjectivity drawing on photographs that come from personal albums corporate archives commercial photographers government reports and which were produced as art as record as data the work shows how the photography shaped and was shaped by geographical concerns this book is a study of the emergence of the geographic paradigm in modern western thought around 1800 europe and the british geographical imagination 1760 1830 explores what literate british people understood by the word europe in the late eighteenth and early nineteenth centuries was europe unified by shared religious heritage where were the edges of europe was europe primarily a commercial network or were there common political practices too was britain itself a european country while intellectual history is concerned predominantly with prominent thinkers paul stock traces the history of ideas in non elite contexts offering a detailed analysis of nearly 350 geographical reference works textbooks dictionaries and encyclopaedias which were widely read by literate britons of all classes and can reveal the formative ideas about europe circulating in britain ideas about religion the natural environment race and other theories of human difference the state borders the identification of the centre and edges of europe commerce and empire and ideas about the past progress and historical change by showing how these and other questions were discussed in eighteenth and nineteenth century british culture europe and the british geographical imagination 1760 1830 provides a thorough and much needed historical analysis of britain s enduringly complex intellectual relationship with europe twelve literary scholars and historians investigate the ways in which space and place are politically religiously and culturally inflected exploring medieval texts as diverse as icelandic sagas ptolemy s geography and mandeville s travels the contributors illustrate the intimate connection between geographical conceptions and the mastery of land the assertion of doctrine and the performance of sexuality mapmaking fulfills one of our most ancient and deepseated desires understanding the world around us and our place in it but maps need not just show continents and oceans there are maps to heaven and hell to happiness and despair maps of moods matrimony and mythological places there are maps to popular culture from gulliver s island to gilligan s island intermediate accounting chapter

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there are speculative maps of the world before it was known and maps to secret places known only to the mapmaker artists maps show another kind of uncharted realm the imagination what all these maps have in common is their creators willingness to venture beyond the boundaries of geography or convention you are here is a wide ranging collection of such superbly inventive maps these are charts of places you re not expected to find but a voyage you take in your mind an exploration of the ideal country estate from a dog s perspective a guide to buried treasure on skeleton island a trip down the road to success or the world as imagined by an inmate of a mental institution with over 100 maps from artists cartographers and explorers you are here gives the reader a breath taking view of worlds both real and imaginary as early as the 1850s when samuel I clemens before he became mark twain as a teenager traveled from his hometown of hannibal missouri to the east philadelphia washington dc and new york city and south st louis in the 1860s he traveled west to nevada california and the sandwich islands hawai i he also traveled east to europe and the middle east in between these early travels and his around the world lecture tour in the 1890s he lived for periods of time in europe from these travels and sojourns abroad clemens often found that the imagined geography differed significantly from the reality and as most people know he drew on his real and imagined home geography of the lower mississippi river region to produce several works including his masterpiece adventures of huckleberry finn although much has been published about his travels this collection of essays marks a different approach to twain s use of geography and geography s influence on twain the eleven essays use twain s concepts of space geography to help us understand or to complicate our understanding of some of twain s works including life on the mississippi adventures of huckleberry finn the prince and the pauper roughing it a connecticut vankee in king arthur s court no 44 the mysterious stranger tom sawyer abroad and the private history of campaign that failed the contributors include veteran twain scholars as well as a graduate student and a non academic humorist their critical perspectives range from the biographical and historical to althusserian ideological the european geographical imagination considers the implicit and explicit geographies that have shaped what the author calls the european debate the search for a set of core values and principles that might define what it means to be european this is a long standing debate to be sure and can be traced back at least as far as the 17th century the european debate has waxed and waned ever since and has been associated with different geographies and different conceptions of european space in three substantive essays and an introductory statement the author reviews some of the foundational narratives that have shaped the european debate from its origins to the present day provides a detailed assessment of french and british contributions during the 1920s and 1930s and discusses the latest phase in this debate as revealed by recent arguments for a new and independent european political culture and foreign policy for the 21st century as global temperatures rise under the forcing hand of humanity s greenhouse gas emissions new questions are being asked of how societies make sense of their weather of the cultural values which are afforded to climate and of how environmental futures are imagined feared predicted and remade weather climate and geographical imagination contributes to this conversation by bringing together a range of voices from history of science historical geography and environmental history each speaking to a set of guestions about the role of space and place in the production circulation reception and application of knowledges about weather and climate the volume develops the concept of geographical imagination to address the intersecting forces of scientific knowledge cultural politics bodily experience and spatial imaginaries which shape the history of knowledges about climate this book focuses on the work of the great sixteenth century traveller and map maker andre thevat and explores the interrelations between representation and power in the age of discovery sketch maps despite their intuitive informal appearance and seemingly naïve use are intellectual devices and efficient tools that shape the geographical imagination regardless of the drawing skills of their makers by delineating the silhouettes of nations we express territorial knowledge and geopolitical stereotypes that although shaped at school from an early age organized the way we interact with the world why do we still need to draw maps what is behind our common and naturalized practice of sketching maps this innovative book deciphers why and how the intuitive mechanisms behind sketch mapping activate multiple

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conscious and unconscious knowledges about place and space this revised edition takes the theme of place and places as the unifying principal for a full account of the discipline at the beginning of the 21st century both physical and social and cultural geography are covered as are the relations between the two brilliantly original brings cultural and post colonial theory to bear on a wide range of authors with great skill and sensitivity terry eagleton this book examines intellectual curiosity as the driving force in scholarly endeavor on the borderlands of geography history anthropology and other disciplines the premise is that curiosity is a salient trait of certain people past and present and that each field has its exemplars in this regard for carl o sauer 1889 1975 america s leading geographer of the twentieth century and his intellectual descendants the inquisitive spirit stood high on the list of indispensable scholarly attributes their curiosity driven studies converging space time ecology and culture involved a fluid and unpredictable process of intellectual discovery this book combining the empirical with the philosophical and reflexive describes how the power of intrinsic motivation and the thread of a romantic consciousness blend with the joy of polymathic exploration this highly readable edited collection focuses on the work of pulitzer prize winning author annie proulx each contributor to this volume explores a different facet of proulx s striking attention to geography place landscape regional environments and local economies in her writing covering all of her novels and short story collections scholars from the united states canada and abroad engage in critical analyses of proulx s new regionalism use of geographical settings and themes of displacement and immigration taken together these essays demonstrate annie proulx s contribution to new regionalist understandings of place on local national and global scales readers will come away with a better 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and representing the world geographically in a series of eloquent essays he draws upon pictorial images including maps sketches cartoons paintings and photographs to explore and elaborate upon the many and varied ways in which the vast and varied earth and at times the heavens beyond have been both imagined and represented as a place of human habitation the essays include reflections upon geographical discovery urban cartography and utopian visions ideas of landscape and the shaping of america wilderness and masculinity conceptions of the pacific and the imaginative grip of the equator extensively illustrated this engaging work reveals the richness of the geographical imagination as expressed over the past five centuries this is the first in a five book series offering a comprehensive broad based course in human geography geographical worlds sets out what it means to think geographically in a world that is changing in ways that bring to the fore guestions of space place and nature 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brochures or novels for example the book draws attention to the disputed nature of geographical knowledge it demonstrates how our understanding of the world reflects the unequal balance of power in society the contributors goon to show how geographical thinking enables us to grasp the local and the global and the connections between the two cntral here is the fact that in this much vaunted age of globalization inequality is built into the very way that such connections are drawn as a short introduction to thebuilding blocks of geographical thinking this book will be essential reading for students in human geography this is the introductory volume of a five book series which offers a comprehensive broad based course in human geography the building blocks of a geographical imagination are presented through some of the principal forces that are shaping the world as it approaches the twenty first century each book develops different aspects of the geographical imagination using a mixture of text and readings the issues that are explored are at the forefront of global and economic change in tracing the impact of shifts in cultural and political geography they are used to teach what it is to think geographically the genius of place examines how after the war of 1812 concerns about the scale of the nation resulted in a fundamental reorientation of american identity away from the atlantic or global ties that held sway in the early republic and toward more localized forms of identification instead of addressing the sweep of the nation american authors artists geographers and politicians shifted from the larger reach of the globe to the more manageable scope of the local and sectional paradoxically that local representation became the primary mode through which early americans construed their emerging national identity this newfound cultural obsession with locality impacted the literary consolidation and representation of key american imagined places new england the 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imagination in victorian fictions of empire examines presidential addresses and reports of the royal geographical society and demonstrates how geographical studies by explorers cartographers ethnologists medical topographers administrators and missionaries published by the rgs local geographical societies or the colonial state acquired relevance for victorian fiction s response to the british empire through a series of illuminating readings of literary works by r I stevenson olive schreiner flora annie steel winwood reade joseph conrad and rudyard kipling the study demonstrates how nineteenth century fiction published between 1870 and 1901 reflected and interrogated geographical discourses of the time the study makes the case for the significance of physical and human geography for literary studies and the unique historical and aesthetic insights gained through this approach illustrations and evocative text show how imagination can reveal the extraordinary in various places from taking a swim in a salty sky to

soaring over submerged lands under the sea the imagination has long been associated with travel and tourism from the seventeenth century when the showman and his peepshow box would take the village crowd to places cities and lands through the power of stories to today when we rely on a different range of boxes to whisk us away on our imaginative travels the television the cinema and the computer even simply the notion of travel it would seem gives us license to daydream the imagination thus becomes a key concept that blurs the boundaries between our everyday lives and the idea of travel vet despite what appears to be a close and comfortable link there is an absence of scholarly material looking at travel and the imagination bringing together geographers sociologists cultural researchers philosophers anthropologists visual researchers archaeologists heritage researchers literary scholars and creative writers this edited collection explores the socio cultural phenomenon of imagination and travel the volume reflects upon imagination in the context of many forms of physical and non physical travel inviting scholars to explore this fascinating yet complex area of inquiry in all of its wonderful colour slipperiness mystery and intrigue the book intends to provide a catalyst for thinking discussion research and writing with the vision of generating a cannon of scholarship on travel and the imagination that is currently absent from the literature geographical aesthetics places the terms aesthetics and geography under critical guestion together responding both to the increasing calls from within geography to develop a geographical aesthetics and a resurgence of interdisciplinary interest in conceptual and empirical guestions around geoaesthetics environmental aesthetics as well as the spatialities of the aesthetic despite taking up an identifiable role within the geographical imagination and sensibilities for centuries and having what is arguably a key place in the making of the modern discipline aesthetics remains a relatively under theorized field within geography across 15 chapters geographical aesthetics brings together timely commentaries by international interdisciplinary scholars to rework historical relations between geography and aesthetics and reconsider how it is we might understand aesthetics in renewing aesthetics as a site of investigation but also an analytic object through which we can think about worldly encounters geographical aesthetics presents a reworking of our geographical imaginary of the aesthetic this groundbreaking book brings an important spatial perspective to our understanding of genocide through a fresh interpretation of germany under hitler cambodia under the khmer rouge and china s great leap forward famine under mao james a tyner s powerful analysis of these horrifying cases provides insight into the larger questions of sovereignty and state policies that determine who will live and who will die specifically he explores the government practices that result in genocide and how they are informed by the calculation and valuation of life and death a geographical perspective on genocide highlights that mass violence in the minds of perpetrators is viewed as an effective and legitimate strategy of state building these three histories of mass violence demonstrate how specific states articulate and act upon particular geographical concepts that determine and devalue the moral worth of groups and individuals clearly and compellingly written this book will bring fresh and valuable insights into state genocidal behavior geography is fundamental to understanding the way the world works this text offers readers a short and highly accessible account of the ideas and concepts constituting geography including discussion of both the human and the natural realms the text looks at key themes such as environment space and place as well as geography s methods and the history of the discipline showing us how and why they are essential for a thriving planet introductory but not simplified bonnett provides students with the ability to understand the history and context of the subject without any prior knowledge this short elegant book will be of interest to all readers intrigued by the geographical imagination spaces of geographical thought examines key ideas like space and place which inform the geographic imagination the text explains the significance of these binaries in the constitution of geographic thought and shows how many of these binaries have been interrogated and reimagined in more recent geographical thinking a consideration of these binaries will define the concepts and situate students in the most current geographical arguments and debates the text will be required reading for all modules on the philosophy of geography and on geographical theory between 1580 and 1745 a period that saw edmund spenser s journey to an unconguered ireland and the jacobite rebellion the first british empire was established the intervening intermediate accounting chapter

years saw the cultural and material forces of colonialism pursue a fitful often fanciful endeavour to secure space for this expansion with the defeat of the highland clans what england in 1580 could only dream about had materialised a coherent socio spatial system known as an empire taking the atlantic world as its context this ambitious 1999 book argues that england s culture during the seventeenth and early eighteenth centuries was saturated with a geographic imagination fed by the experiences and experiments of colonialism using theories of space and its production to ground his readings bruce mcleod skilfully explores how works by edmund spenser john milton aphra behn mary rowlandson daniel defoe and jonathan swift imagine interrogate and narrate the adventure and geography of empire in creating the mediterranean maps and the islamic imagination tarek kahlaoui treats the subject of the islamic visual representations of the mediterranean it tracks the history of the islamic visualization of the sea from when geography was created by the islamic state s bureaucrats of the tenth century c e located mainly in the central islamic lands to the later men of the field specifically the sea captains from the fourteenth to the sixteenth centuries c e located in the western islamic lands a narrative has emerged from this investigation in which the metamorphosis of the identity of the author or mapmaker seemed to be changing with the rest of the elements that constitute the identity of a map its reader or viewer its style and structure and its textual content cosgrove s analysis traces a pattern of associations between global images and the formation of western identities paying tribute to the richly complex cosmographic tradition out of which today s geographical imagination has emerged book jacket in the middle of the nineteenth century the russian empire made a dramatic advance on the pacific by annexing the vast regions of the amur and ussuri rivers although this remote realm was a virtual terra incognita for the russian educated public the acquisition of an asian mississippi attracted great attention nonetheless even stirring the dreams of russia s most outstanding visionaries within a decade of its acquisition however the dreams were gone and the amur region largely abandoned and forgotten in an innovative examination of russia s perceptions of the new territories in the far east mark bassin sets the amur enigma squarely in the context of the zeitgeist in russia at the time imperial visions demonstrates the fundamental importance of geographical imagination in the mentalité of imperial russia this 1999 work offers a truly novel perspective on the complex and ambivalent ideological relationship between russian nationalism geographical identity and imperial expansion

The Geography of the Imagination 1997

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Geography of Imagination 2013

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The Geographical Imagination in America, 1880-1950 2001

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Geographical Imagination and the Authority of Images 2006

this book is a study of the emergence of the geographic paradigm in modern western thought around 1800

Picturing Place 2021-10-30

europe and the british geographical imagination 1760 1830 explores what literate british people understood by the word europe in the late eighteenth and early nineteenth centuries was europe unified by shared religious heritage where were the edges of europe was europe primarily a commercial network or were there common political practices too was britain itself a european country while intellectual history is concerned predominantly with prominent thinkers paul stock traces the history of ideas in non elite contexts offering a detailed analysis of nearly 350 geographical reference works textbooks dictionaries and encyclopaedias which were widely read by literate britons of all classes and can reveal the formative ideas about europe circulating in britain ideas about religion the natural environment race and other theories of human difference the state borders the identification of the centre and edges of europe commerce and empire and ideas about the past progress and historical change by showing how these and other questions were discussed in eighteenth and nineteenth century british culture europe and the british geographical imagination 1760 1830 provides a thorough and much needed historical analysis of britain s enduringly complex intellectual relationship with europe

The Geographic Imagination of Modernity 2008

twelve literary scholars and historians investigate the ways in which space and place are politically religiously and culturally inflected exploring medieval texts as diverse as icelandic sagas ptolemy s geography and mandeville s travels the contributors illustrate the intimate connection between geographical conceptions and the mastery of land the assertion of doctrine and the performance of sexuality

Europe and the British Geographical Imagination, 1760-1830 2019-10

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Text and Territory 2016-11-11

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Mark Twain's Geographical Imagination 2009-03-26

as global temperatures rise under the forcing hand of humanity s greenhouse gas emissions new questions are being asked of how societies make sense of their weather of the cultural values which are afforded to climate and of how environmental futures are imagined feared predicted and remade weather climate and geographical imagination contributes to this conversation by bringing together a range of voices from history of science historical geography and environmental history each speaking to a set of questions about the role of space and place in the production circulation reception and application of knowledges about weather and climate the volume develops the concept of geographical imagination to address the intersecting forces of scientific knowledge cultural politics bodily experience and spatial imaginaries which shape the history of knowledges about climate

Geographical imaginations 1996

this book focuses on the work of the great sixteenth century traveller and map maker andre thevat and explores the interrelations between representation and power in the age of discovery

The European Geographical Imagination 2007

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Weather, Climate, and the Geographical Imagination 2020-03-24

this revised edition takes the theme of place and places as the unifying principal for a full account of the discipline at the beginning of the 21st century both physical and social and cultural geography are covered as are the relations between the two

Mapping the Renaissance World 2016-03-21

brilliantly original brings cultural and post colonial theory to bear on a wide range of authors with great skill and sensitivity terry eagleton

Sketch Maps: Drawing the Geographical Imagination 2023-05-25

this book examines intellectual curiosity as the driving force in scholarly endeavor on the borderlands of geography history anthropology and other disciplines the premise is that curiosity is a salient trait of certain people past and present and that each field has its exemplars in this regard for carl o sauer 1889 1975 america s leading geographer of the twentieth century and his intellectual descendants the inquisitive spirit stood high on the list of indispensable scholarly attributes their curiosity driven studies converging space time ecology and culture involved a fluid and unpredictable process of intellectual discovery this book combining the empirical with the philosophical and reflexive describes how the power of intrinsic motivation and the thread of a romantic consciousness blend with the joy of polymathic exploration

Companion Encyclopedia of Geography: The geographical imagination ; Responses to the geographical drivers of change 2007

this highly readable edited collection focuses on the work of pulitzer prize winning author annie proulx each contributor to this volume explores a different facet of proulx s striking attention to geography place landscape regional environments and local economies in her writing covering all of her novels and short story collections scholars from the united states canada and abroad engage in critical analyses of proulx s new regionalism use of geographical settings and themes of displacement and immigration taken together these essays demonstrate annie proulx s contribution to new regionalist understandings of place on local national and global scales readers will come away with a better understanding of proulx s particular landscapes particularly those of wyoming new england texas and newfoundland and the issues surrounding the significance of these regions in contemporary american culture and literature

Postmodern Cartographies 1998

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Curiosity, Inquiry, and the Geographical Imagination 2011

a tour de force orvar löfgren co author of culture builders a historical anthropology of middle class life written in a striking experimental style this is an insightful and impressive book on a topic of enormous contemporary significance james ferguson author of expectations of modernity pred works with a powerful set of ideas and arresting empirical materials to create a series of interlocking overlapping and superimposed spaces within which modern racism is brought into view with a shocking clarity derek gregory author of geographical imaginations

The Geographical Imagination of Annie Proulx 2010-11-23

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The Power of Place 2013-12-04

this is the first in a five book series offering a comprehensive broad based course in human geography geographical worlds sets out what it means to think geographically in a world that is changing in ways that bring to the fore questions of space place and nature starting with thevariety of ways in which we represent the world through maps travel brochures or novels for example the book draws attention to the disputed nature of geographical knowledge it demonstrates how our understanding of the world reflects the unequal balance of power in society the contributors goon to show how geographical thinking enables us to grasp the local and the global and the connections between the two cntral here is the fact that in this much vaunted age of globalization inequality is built into the very way that such connections are drawn as a short introduction to thebuilding blocks of geographical thinking this book will be essential reading for students in human geography this is the introductory volume of a five book series which offers a comprehensive broad based course in human geography the building blocks of a geographical imagination are presented through some of the principal forces that are shaping the world as it approaches the twenty first century each book develops different aspects of the geographical imagination using a mixture of text and readings the issues that are explored are at the forefront of global and economic change in tracing the impact of shifts in cultural and political geography they are used to teach what it is to think geographically

Even in Sweden 2000-11-21

the genius of place examines how after the war of 1812 concerns about the scale of the nation resulted in a fundamental reorientation of american identity away from the atlantic or global ties that held sway in the early republic and toward more localized forms of identification instead of addressing the sweep of the nation american authors artists geographers and politicians shifted from the larger reach of the globe to the more manageable scope of the local and sectional paradoxically that local representation became the primary mode through which early americans construed their emerging national identity this newfound cultural obsession with locality impacted the literary consolidation and representation of key american imagined places new england the plantation the west in the decades

between 1816 and 1836 apap s examination of the intersections between local and national representations and exploration of the myths of space and place that shaped u s identity through the nineteenth century will appeal to a broad interdisciplinary readership

Geography and Vision 2012-11-25

reflecting the revival of interest in a social theory that takes place and space seriously this book focuses on geographical place in the practice of social science and history there is significant interest among scholars from a range of disciplines in bringing together the geographical and sociological imaginations the geographical imagination is a concrete and descriptive one concerned with determining the nature of places and classifying them and the links between them the sociological imagination aspires to explanation of human activities in terms of abstract social processes the chapters in this book focus on both the intellectual histories of the concept of place and on its empirical uses they show that place is as important for understanding contemporary america as it is for 18th century sri lanka they also show how the concept can provide insight into old problems such as the nature of social life in renaissance florence and venice the editors are leading exponents of the view of place as a concept that can mediate the geographical and sociological imaginations

Geographical Worlds 1995

demonstrates how venetian newsmongers played a crucial yet heretofore unrecognized role in the invention of america

The Genius of Place 2016-03-10

in this pioneering study dr fernandez explores how the rise of institutional geography in victorian england impacted imperial fiction s emergence as a genre characterized by a preoccupation with space and place this volume argues that the alliance between institutional geography and the british empire which commenced with the founding of the royal geographical society in 1830 shaped the spatial imagination of victorians with profound consequences for the novel of empire geography and the literary imagination in victorian fictions of empire examines presidential addresses and reports of the royal geographical society and demonstrates how geographical studies by explorers cartographers ethnologists medical topographers administrators and missionaries published by the rgs local geographical societies or the colonial state acquired relevance for victorian fiction s response to the british empire through a series of illuminating readings of literary works by r l stevenson olive schreiner flora annie steel winwood reade joseph conrad and rudyard kipling the study demonstrates how nineteenth century fiction published between 1870 and 1901 reflected and interrogated geographical discourses of the time the study makes the case for the significance of physical and human geography for literary studies and the unique historical and aesthetic insights gained through this approach

The Power of Place (RLE Social & Cultural Geography) 2014-01-10

illustrations and evocative text show how imagination can reveal the extraordinary in various places from taking a swim in a salty sky to soaring over submerged lands under the sea

The Venetian Discovery of America 2018-09-06

the imagination has long been associated with travel and tourism from the seventeenth century when the showman and his peepshow box would take the village crowd to places cities and lands through the power of stories to today when we rely on a different range of boxes to whisk us away on our imaginative travels the television the cinema and the computer even simply the notion of travel it would seem gives us license to daydream the imagination thus becomes a key concept that blurs the boundaries between our everyday lives and the idea of travel yet despite what appears to be a close and comfortable link there is an absence of scholarly material looking at travel and the imagination bringing together geographers sociologists cultural researchers philosophers anthropologists visual researchers archaeologists heritage researchers literary scholars and creative writers this edited collection explores the socio cultural phenomenon of imagination and travel the volume reflects upon imagination in the context of many forms of physical and non physical travel inviting scholars to explore this fascinating yet complex area of inquiry in all of its wonderful colour slipperiness mystery and intrigue the book intends to provide a catalyst for thinking discussion research and writing with the vision of generating a cannon of scholarship on travel and the imagination that is currently absent from the literature

Geography and the Literary Imagination in Victorian Fictions of Empire 2020-01-20

geographical aesthetics places the terms aesthetics and geography under critical question together responding both to the increasing calls from within geography to develop a geographical aesthetics and a resurgence of interdisciplinary interest in conceptual and empirical questions around geoaesthetics environmental aesthetics as well as the spatialities of the aesthetic despite taking up an identifiable role within the geographical imagination and sensibilities for centuries and having what is arguably a key place in the making of the modern discipline aesthetics remains a relatively under theorized field within geography across 15 chapters geographical aesthetics brings together timely commentaries by international interdisciplinary scholars to rework historical relations between geography and aesthetics and reconsider how it is we might understand aesthetics in renewing aesthetics as a site of investigation but also an analytic object through which we can think about worldly encounters geographical aesthetics presents a reworking of our geographical imaginary of the aesthetic

Imagine a World 2015-09-29

this groundbreaking book brings an important spatial perspective to our understanding of genocide through a fresh interpretation of germany under hitler cambodia under the khmer rouge and china s great leap forward famine under mao james a tyner s powerful analysis of these horrifying cases provides insight into the larger questions of sovereignty and state policies that determine who will live and who will die specifically he explores the government practices that result in genocide and how they are informed by the calculation and valuation of life and death a geographical perspective on genocide highlights that mass violence in the minds of perpetrators is viewed as an effective and legitimate strategy of state building these three histories of mass violence demonstrate how specific states articulate and act upon particular geographical concepts that determine and devalue the moral worth of groups and individuals clearly and compellingly written this book will bring fresh and valuable insights into state genocidal behavior

Geo/graphies 2016-08-09

geography is fundamental to understanding the way the world works this text offers readers a short and highly accessible account of the ideas and concepts constituting geography including discussion of both the human and the natural realms the text looks at key themes such as environment space and place as well as geography s methods and the history of the discipline showing us how and why they are essential for a thriving planet introductory but not simplified bonnett provides students with the ability to understand the history and context of the subject without any prior knowledge this short elegant book will be of interest to all readers intrigued by the geographical imagination

Travel and Imagination 2016-02-24

spaces of geographical thought examines key ideas like space and place which inform the geographic imagination the text explains the significance of these binaries in the constitution of geographic thought and shows how many of these binaries have been interrogated and reimagined in more recent geographical thinking a consideration of these binaries will define the concepts and situate students in the most current geographical arguments and debates the text will be required reading for all modules on the philosophy of geography and on geographical theory

Geographical Aesthetics 2016-03-03

between 1580 and 1745 a period that saw edmund spenser s journey to an unconquered ireland and the jacobite rebellion the first british empire was established the intervening years saw the cultural and material forces of colonialism pursue a fitful often fanciful endeavour to secure space for this expansion with the defeat of the highland clans what england in 1580 could only dream about had materialised a coherent socio spatial system known as an empire taking the atlantic world as its context this ambitious 1999 book argues that england s culture during the seventeenth and early eighteenth centuries was saturated with a geographic imagination fed by the experiences and experiments of colonialism using theories of space and its production to ground his readings bruce mcleod skilfully explores how works by edmund spenser john milton aphra behn mary rowlandson daniel defoe and jonathan swift imagine interrogate and narrate the adventure and geography of empire

Genocide and the Geographical Imagination 2012-05-31

in creating the mediterranean maps and the islamic imagination tarek kahlaoui treats the subject of the islamic visual representations of the mediterranean it tracks the history of the islamic visualization of the sea from when geography was created by the islamic state s bureaucrats of the tenth century c e located mainly in the central islamic lands to the later men of the field specifically the sea captains from the fourteenth to the sixteenth centuries c e located in the western islamic lands a narrative has emerged from this investigation in which the metamorphosis of the identity of the author or mapmaker seemed to be changing with the rest of the elements that constitute the identity of a map its reader or viewer its style and structure and its textual content

What Is Geography? 2023-06-23

cosgrove s analysis traces a pattern of associations between global images and the formation of western identities paying tribute to the richly complex cosmographic tradition out of which today s geographical imagination has emerged book jacket

Spaces of Geographical Thought 2005-02-16

in the middle of the nineteenth century the russian empire made a dramatic advance on the pacific by annexing the vast regions of the amur and ussuri rivers although this remote realm was a virtual terra incognita for the russian educated public the acquisition of an asian mississippi attracted great attention nonetheless even stirring the dreams of russia s most outstanding visionaries within a decade of its acquisition however the dreams were gone and the amur region largely abandoned and forgotten in an innovative examination of russia s perceptions of the new territories in the far east mark bassin sets the amur enigma squarely in the context of the zeitgeist in russia at the time imperial visions demonstrates the fundamental importance of geographical imagination in the mentalité of imperial russia this 1999 work offers a truly novel perspective on the complex and ambivalent ideological relationship between russian nationalism geographical identity and imperial expansion

The Geography of Empire in English Literature, 1580-1745 1999-09-28

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