

## Five years of book reviews

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We started posting book reviews here at Somatosphere soon after the site was launched five years ago, and we've been doing it ever since. We try to be selective and review the books we think are important and will interest our readers, and we do our best to review books as soon as possible after their publication. None of this would be possible without the hard work of our Book Reviews editor, [Todd Meyers](#), as well as the efforts of numerous reviewers. Thank you all!

Here's a list of all the books that have been reviewed (or, in a few cases, announced) on Somatosphere, along with links to the reviews.

### 2008

- Robert J. Thornton, [Unimagined Communities: Sex, Networks, and AIDS in Uganda and South Africa](#); Reviewed by Ann Kelly
- Sarah E. Wagner, [To Know Where He Lies: DNA Technology and the Search for Srebrenica's Missing](#); Reviewed by Peter Locke

### 2009

- Georges Canguilhem, [Knowledge of Life \(La Connaissance de la Vie 1952/1965\)](#); Book announcement by Todd Meyers
- Jacob Copeman, [Veins of Devotion: Blood Donation and Religious Experience in North India](#); Reviewed by Leo Coleman
- Sandra Harding, [Sciences from Below: Feminisms, Postcolonialities, and Modernities](#); Book announcement by Eugene Raikhel
- Jonathan Marks, [Why I am Not a Scientist: Anthropology and Modern Knowledge](#); Reviewed by Matthew Wolf-Meyer
- Didier Fassin and Richard Rechtman, [The Empire of Trauma: An Inquiry into the Condition of Victimhood](#); Reviewed by Hanna Kienzler
- Cassandra White, [An Uncertain Cure: Living with Leprosy in Brazil](#);

Reviewed by Lauren Schleicher

- Andrew Lakoff and Stephen J. Collier (Eds.), [Biosecurity Interventions: Global Health and Security in Question](#); Reviewed by Alexandra Reid
- Merrill Singer and Hans A. Baer (Eds.), [Killer Commodities: Public Health and the Corporate Production of Harm](#); Reviewed by Mark Hill

## 2010

- C. Jason Throop, [Suffering and Sentiment: Exploring the Vicissitudes of Pain and Experience in Yap](#); Reviewed by Abbe Rose Kopra
- Elly Teman, [Birthing a Mother: The Surrogate Body and the Pregnant Self](#); Reviewed by Lauren Schleicher
- Karen-Sue Taussig, [Ordinary Genomes: Science, Citizenship, and Genetic Identities?](#) Reviewed by Abigail Baim-Lance
- Didier Fassin and Mariella Pandolfi (Eds.) [Contemporary States of Emergency: The Politics of Military and Humanitarian Interventions](#) ; Reviewed by Ross Parsons
- Andrew Lakoff (Ed.) [Disaster and the Politics of Intervention](#); Reviewed by Jennifer Ilo Van Nuil
- Patrick Wilcken, [Claude Levi-Strauss: The Poet in the Laboratory](#); Reviewed by Leo Coleman
- Carl Elliott, [White Coat, Black Hat: Adventures on the Dark Side of Medicine](#); Reviewed by Kalman Applbaum
- Robert Freedman, [The Madness within Us: Schizophrenia as a Neuronal Process](#); Reviewed by Neely Laurenzo Myers
- Ethan Watters, [Crazy Like Us: The Globalization of the American Psyche](#); Reviewed by Katinka Hooyer
- Mei Zhan, [Other-Worldly: Making Chinese Medicine through Transnational Frames](#); Reviewed by Matthew Wolf-Meyer
- Lorna A. Rhodes, [Total Confinement: Madness and Reason in the Maximum Security Prison](#); Reviewed by Kate Amiel
- Steven Shapin, [The Scientific Life: A Moral History of a Late Modern Vocation](#); Reviewed by Talia Dan-Cohen
- Pascal Nouvel, [Histoire des Amphétamines](#); Book note by Todd Meyers

## 2011

- Shao-hua Li, [Passage to Manhood: Youth Migration, Heroin and](#)

- [AIDS in Southwest China](#); Reviewed by Nicholas Bartlett
- Livia Velpry, [Le quotidien de la psychiatrie : sociologie de la maladie mentale](#) (“Day-to-day Psychiatric Practice: Sociology of Mental Illness”); Reviewed by Lydwine Verhaegen
  - Jonathan Metzl, [The Protest Psychosis: How Schizophrenia Became a Black Disease](#); Reviewed by Neely Myers
  - Erica Caple James, [Democratic Insecurities: Violence, Trauma, and Intervention in Haiti](#); Reviewed by Hanna Kienzler
  - Lenore Manderson & Carolyn Smith-Morris, [Chronic Conditions, Fluid States: Chronicity and the Anthropology of Illness](#); Reviewed by Matthew Wolf-Meyer
  - Frederick Klaitz, [Death in a Church of Life: Moral Passion during Botswana’s Time of AIDS](#); Reviewed by Betsey Brada
  - Jarrett Zigon, [“HIV is God’s Blessing”: Rehabilitating Morality in Neoliberal Russia](#); Reviewed by Tomas Matza
  - Vinh-Kim Nguyen, [The Republic of Therapy: Triage and Sovereignty in West Africa’s Time of AIDS](#); Reviewed by Betsey Brada
  - Angela Garcia, [The Pastoral Clinic: Addiction and Dispossession along the Rio Grande](#); Reviewed by Nicholas Bartlett

## 2012

- Claire Wendland, [A Heart for the Work: Journeys through an African Medical School](#); Reviewed by Liese Pruitt
- Maurice Godelier, [The Metamorphoses of Kinship](#); Reviewed by Leo Coleman
- Sarah D. Phillips, [Disability and Mobile Citizenship in Postsocialist Ukraine](#); Reviewed by Jessica Robbins
- Georges Canguilhem, [Writings on Medicine](#) (translated and with an introduction by Stefanos Geroulanos and Todd Meyers); Book announcement by Eugene Raikhel
- P. Sean Brotherton, [Revolutionary Medicine: Health and the Body in Post-Soviet Cuba](#); Reviewed by Amy Cooper
- Pamela E. Klassen, [Spirits of Protestantism: Medicine, Healing, and Liberal Christianity](#); Reviewed by Wilson Will
- E. Summerson Carr, [Scripting Addiction: The Politics of Therapeutic Talk and American Sobriety](#); Reviewed by Jennifer Carroll
- Paul Rabinow, [The Accompaniment: Assembling the Contemporary](#); Reviewed by Jason Alley

**2013**

- Anne Pollock, [\*Medicating Race: Heart Disease and Durable Preoccupations with Difference\*](#); Reviewed by Colin Halverson
- Katherine Sharpe, [\*Coming of Age on Zoloft: how Antidepressants Cheered Us Up, Let Us Down, and Changed Who We Are\*](#); Reviewed by Kelly McKinney
- Kaitlin Bell Barnett, [\*Dosed: The Medication Generation Grows Up\*](#); Reviewed by Kelly McKinney
- Tanya Luhrmann, [\*When God Talks Back: Understanding the American Evangelical Relationship with God\*](#); Reviewed by Rebecca J. Lester
- Clara Han, [\*Life in Debt: Times of Care and Violence in Neoliberal Chile\*](#); Reviewed by Larisa Jasarevic
- Sienna R. Craig, [\*Healing Elements: Efficacy and the Social Ecologies of Tibetan Medicine\*](#); Reviewed by Stephan Kloos
- Milton J. Lewis and Kerrie L. MacPherson (Eds.), [\*Health Transitions and the Double Disease Burden in Asia and the Pacific: Histories of Responses to Non-Communicable and Communicable Diseases\*](#); Reviewed by Kristin Childers Buschle
- Rachel Prentice, [\*Bodies in Formation: An Ethnography of Anatomy and Surgery Education\*](#); Reviewed by Talia Gordon
- Elizabeth Anne Davis, [\*Bad Souls: Madness and Responsibility in Modern Greece\*](#); Reviewed by Erica Rockhold
- Roger Cooter (with Claudia Stein), [\*Writing History in the Age of Biomedicine\*](#); Book announcement by Todd Meyers
- Todd Meyers, [\*The Clinic and Elsewhere: Addiction, Adolescents, and the Afterlife of Therapy\*](#); Book announcement by Eugene Raikhel
- Liah Greenfeld, [\*Mind, Modernity, Madness: The Impact of Culture on Human Experience\*](#); Reviewed by Contance Cummings

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