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Asian Diasporic Visual Cultures and the Americas (ADVA) is a peer-reviewed journal featuring multidisciplinary scholarship on intersections between visual cultural studies and the study of Asian diasporas across the Americas. Distinct from existing periodicals in Asian Studies or Asian American Studies, ADVA emphasizes the significant role visual cultures play in producing, locating, and relating diasporic subjectivities in all of their historical complexities.

Now in its seventh year of publication, ADVA provides an intellectual forum for researchers and educators to showcase, engage, and be in dialogue with the emerging epistemological and creative challenges facing the study of Asian diasporic visual cultures. The journal conceptualizes the Americas broadly to encompass perspectives on and from North, Central, and South America as well as the Pacific Islands and the Caribbean. This hemispheric, transnational, and transcultural model enables the critical examination of historically under-represented intersections between and within Asian Canadian Studies, Asian American Studies, Asian Latin American Studies, Asian Caribbean Studies, and Pacific Island Studies and encourages a more dynamic concept of multiple Americas with diverse Indigenous and diasporic populations. ADVA further explores visual culture in all its multifaceted forms, including, but not limited to, visual arts, craft, cinema, film, performing arts, public art, architecture, design, fashion, media, sound, food, networked practices, and popular culture. The journal recognizes not just the significance of images and representation about and from diaspora, but more broadly seeks to investigate the conditions under which new visualities are produced and the discrete ways in which they continue to shape and embed meaning within and about culturally specific, socio-political, and ideological contexts.

ADVA invites submissions of manuscripts by scholars, students, and arts practitioners that advance the study of visual cultural production by and about Asian diasporic communities in the Americas. Especially as we continue to face the realities of living in an increasingly isolated and precarious contemporary moment—one brought on in part by overlapping global pandemics of COVID-19, anti-Asian racism, capitalism and climate change—the journal is interested in scholarship that contests and transforms existing models and frameworks of knowledge production. Along with academic articles, issues of ADVA feature reviews of a wide range of visual cultural production, including books, films, and exhibitions, as well as full colour artist pages, interviews, roundtable discussions, and spotlights features. The journal welcomes transnational and transhistorical as well as site-based scholarly critique engaging with current discussions on race, ethnicity, gender, sexuality, dis/ability and class as well as aesthetics, ethics, epistemologies, and technologies of visuality. Transcultural areas of investigation in the humanities, including Asian-Indigenous collaborations, historical formulations of Afro-Asian connections, and studies on transnational subjects of mixed race heritage, are welcome. In this way, the journal recognizes the critical project of challenging not only the assumed pan-ethnicity of cultural groupings but also the varying degrees of racialized experiences that have been freighted by cultural stereotypes or based on regional identifications, geographical proximity and fixed temporalities.

Submissions

Essays (between 5,000-6,500 words) and reviews (between 800-1,000 words) should be prepared according to MLA (for humanities) or APA (for social sciences) style and submitted electronically. Proposed artist pages (up to 6 pages) will also be considered. More detailed instructions for authors can be found at brill.com. Authors' names should not appear on

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