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Book Talk



"Southeast Asian American Aesthetics and the Refugee Position" Dr. Timothy K. August

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This talk offers a preview to August's book *The Refugee Aesthetic: Reimagining Southeast Asian America* (Temple University Press, 2020). The monograph investigates why a number of Southeast Asian American authors have recently embraced the refugee identity as a transformative position. Arguing that aesthetics should be central to the conceptualization of critical refugee studies, he shows how representational structures can galvanize or marginalize refugees, depending upon how refugee aesthetics are used and circulated.

Respondent: Dr. Jeffrey Santa Ana
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to receive a Zoom link for the event

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