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ACTIVISM AND

THE OLYMPICS

### SPOTLIGHT

Activism and the Olympics: Dissent at the Games in Vancouver and London Jules Boykoff Rutgers University Press

From the Publisher: In Activism and the Olympics, Boykoff provides a critical overview of the Olympic industry and its political opponents in the modern era. After presenting a brief history of Olympic activism, he turns his attention to activism through the lens of the Vancouver 2010 Winter Olympics and the 2012 Summer Olympics in London. Drawing from personal interviews with activists,

journalists, civil libertarians, and Olympic organizers, Boykoff angles in on the Games from numerous vantages and viewpoints.

Jules Boykoff, chair, politics and government department, Pacific University, is a widely published scholar of international politics and corporate influence in sport, as well as the suppression of dissent.

American Exceptionalism: An Idea that Made a Nation and Remade the World Hilde Eliassen Restad Routledge

American Government and Politics in the Information Age, 2nd Edition David L. Paletz, Diana Owen, and Timothy E. Cook Flat World Knowledge

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The Birth of Politics: Eight Greek and Roman Political Ideas and Why They Matter Melissa Lane Princeton University Press

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Christopher J. Lebron Oxford University Press

Contentious Elections: From Ballots to Barricades Pippa Norris, Richard W. Frank, and Ferran Martínez i Coma, eds. Routledge

Corrupt Illinois: Patronage, Cronyism, and Criminality Thomas J. Gradel and Dick Simpson University of Illinois Press

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Democracy in Central Asia: Competing Perspectives and Alternative Strategies Mariya Y. Omelicheva University Press of Kentucky

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Foreclosed America Isaac William Martin and Christopher Niedt Stanford University Press

*France after 2012*Gabriel Goodliffe and Riccardo Brizzi, eds.
Berghahn Books

Guns Across America: Reconciling Rules and Rights Robert Spitzer Oxford University Press

#### SPOTLIGHT

Handbook on Teaching and Learning in Political Science and International Relations John Ishiyama, William J. Miller, and Eszter Simon Edward Elgar Publishing

From the Publisher: With a focus on providing concrete teaching strategies for scholars, the Handbook on Teaching and Learning in Political Science and International Relations

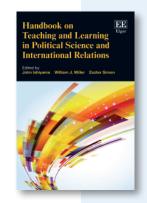
blends both theory and practice in an accessible and clear manner. To help faculty excel as classroom teachers, the expert contributors offer representation from various types of institutions located throughout the world. This book discusses curriculum and course design, teaching subject areas, and inclass teaching techniques This handbook is an essential guide for anyone looking to teach political

science and international relations at the university level.

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**Eszter Simon**, Masaryk University, Czech Republic, teaches on foreign policy, international relations, and global terrorism.



*Ideas with Consequences: The* Federalist Society and the Conservative Counterrevolution Amanda Hollis-Brusky Oxford University Press

Individualism in the United States: A Transformation in American Political Thought Stephanie Walls Bloomsbury Publishing

The Iron Cage of Liberalism: International Politics and Unarmed Revolutions in the Middle East and North Africa Daniel P. Ritter Oxford University Press

The New Normal: Finding a Balance between Individual Rights and the Common Good Amitai Etzioni Transaction Publishers

#### **SPOTLIGHT**

Groundbreakers: How Obama's 2.2 Million Volunteers Transformed Campaigning in America Elizabeth McKenna and Hahrie Han Oxford University Press

From the Publisher: Much has been written about the historic nature of the Obama campaign. The multiyear, multi-billion dollar operation elected the nation's first black

president, raised and spent more money than any other election effort in history, and built the most sophisticated voter targeting technology ever before used on a national campaign. What is missing from most accounts of the campaign is an understanding of how Obama for America recruited, motivated, developed, and managed its formidable army of 2.2 million volunteers. How did they orga-

nize so many volunteers to produce so much valuable work for the campaign? This book describes how.

Hahrie Han is an associate professor of political science at Wellesley College, and her research interests include politics of social policy, civic associations, civic engagement, health and environmental politics, polarization, and elections.

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Nimby Is Beautiful: Cases of Local Activism and Environmental Innovation around the World Carol Hager and Mary Alice

Haddad, eds. Berghahn Books

No Day in Court: Access to Justice and the Politics of Judicial Retrenchment Sara Staszak Oxford University Press

Nuclear Authority: The IAEA and the Absolute Weapon Robert L. Brown Georgetown University Press

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Transaction Publishers

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Routledge Handbook of Comparative Political Institutions Jennifer Gandhi and Rubén Ruiz-Rufino Routledge

On Sovereignty and Other Political Delusions

Joan Cocks Bloomsbury

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2.2 MILLION

VOLUNTEERS

TRANSFORMED Campaigning

IN AMERICA

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The Strategist: Brent Scowcroft and the Call of National Security Bartholomew Sparrow **Public Affairs** 

## SPOTLIGHT

Practical Authority: Agency and Institutional Change in Brazilian Water

Rebecca Neaera Abers and Margaret E. Keck Oxford University Press

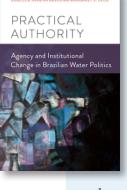
From the Publisher: How do institutional arrangements established

by law become operational in practice? It takes work for them to develop problem-solving capabilities and win recognition from others—what the authors call "practical authority." Drawing from a decade-long, multi-site study, the authors show how an assortment of protagonists struggled to breathe life into new institutional designs. Their account weaves together three decades of national

and state law-making with experimentation in establishing new kinds of participatory water management organizations. The authors examine why some organizations adapted creatively to challenges while others never got off the ground. To approach this complex, volatile, and non-linear process of transformation, the book develops a framework for investigating the actions and practices of institution-building.

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