

Ecologies of Comparison



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A rich ethnography of eco-politics in Hong Kong in the late 1990s, as the region shifted to Chinese sovereignty, Ecologies of Comparison describes how ecological concepts of uniqueness and scale resonated among environmentalists, including those seeking to preserve a species of white dolphin, to protect an aging fishing village from redevelopment, and to legitimize air quality as an object of political and medical concern. During his research, Tim Choy became increasingly interested in the power of the notion of specificity. While documenting the expert and lay production of Hong Kong's biological, cultural, and political specificities, he began comparing the logics and narrative forms that made different types of specificity possible and meaningful. He came to understand these logics and forms as "ecologies of comparison," conceptual practices through which an event or form of life comes to matter in environmentalist and other political terms. Choy's ethnography is about environmentalism, Hong Kong, and the ways that we think about environmentalism in Hong Kong and other places. It is also about how politics, freedom, culture, expertise, and other concepts figure in comparison-based knowledge practices.

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评论

知识生产着墨反而不多。更主要的印象是香港的环保运动强烈的嵌入了对本土价值的追寻，对单独的”香港“身份认同的焦虑。不如把主题换成：香港如何在地理和生态的维度构建独特的香港身份。

想做STS研究的朋友推薦給我，讀完喵了個咪了…

我承認sts有其精到之處。但對我而言這種理論和現實的關係就像浮在雲頂上的王國。作為一個理論愛好者，我覺得作者用這一套理論分析香港挺有意思。作為一個關注香港諸問題的人類學學徒，我想打爆作者的頭。。。。

读了差不多前四章，主要讲的是：围绕香港环保运动展开的knowledge practice，通过多种含义上对“比较”知识进行的“比较”，作者。。。喵了个咪的其实没看懂= =。。。。

简单的东西写复杂。但是的确带给我很多灵感。导师评价：I suggest this one for a number of reasons - Tim is a beautiful writer and the book is a brilliant ethnography told in a very subtle yet effective way. But also because it's a study of Hong Kong and may be interesting for you in terms of anthropologies of Asia. So this book is a nice example of how to write ethnography.

环境议题中的权利意涵，非常有意思。

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