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achieved fame for their images of men either during or after the Asia-

Pacific War. By closely investigating the representation of male figures together with the contemporary politics of gender, race, and the body, this profusely illustrated volume offers new insight into artists' activities in late Imperial Japan. Rather than adhering to the previously held model of unilateral control governing the Japanese Empire's visual regime, the author proposes a more complex analysis of the role of Japanese male artists and how art functioned during an era of international turmoil.