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Despite the vibrant development of the field of ecocriticism on the island of Taiwan, there has, as yet, been no single volume in English dedicated to illustrating Taiwan's important contributions to international ecocriticism, especially the emerging "vernacular" trend in the field that emphasizes the significance of local perspectives and styles, including non-western, aboriginal, and comparative approaches. Ecocriticism in Taiwan provides a model for a more nuanced version of the locale-specific, vernacular thinking about the environment, art, and human identity.