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kenneth carty professor of political science university of british columbia and professor dirk berg schlosser institute of political science philipps university marburg increasingly a spectator sport electoral politics have become bitterly polarized by professional consultants and lobbyists and have been boiled down to the distributive mantra of who gets what in everyday politics harry boyte transcends partisan politics to offer an alternative he demonstrates how community rooted activities reconnect citizens to engaged responsible public life and not just on election day but throughout the year boyte demonstrates that this type of activism has a rich history and strong philosophical foundation it rests on the stubborn faith that the talents and insights of ordinary citizens from nursery school to nursing home are crucial elements in public life drawing on concrete examples of successful public work projects accomplished by diverse groups of people across the nation boyte demonstrates 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withdrawal and explores and assesses innovative approaches on both sides of the atlantic to try to counter these phenomena the creator of the cult classic cyborg handbook chris hables gray now offers the first guide to posthuman politics framing the key issues that could threaten or brighten our technological future what according to democratic theorists should the ordinary citizen know about politics what does several decades of empirical research about citizens political knowledge tell us and why should we care this book offers a comprehensive outline of the vast literature on political knowledge and by providing an analytical framework for its studying in politics in the trenches volgy shows what really happens behind the scenes of government he contrasts perception with reality regarding the rewards and perks of office he examines the process of experimentation in the political laboratory and shows how the news media distort it he provides a case study of homelessness to illustrate the system s constraints and he offers a chapter on a typical week in office that will be an eye opener for most readers book jacket citizen now offers a comprehensive description of the composition and behavior of young adults an explanation and critique of the study of youth engagement and a unique approach and methodology for appreciating how and why citizen now engages in politics and democracy citizen now considers youth political participation from the perspective of young adults themselves specifically

young adults who ve organized around an issue of great concern to millennials their economic well being the perfect text for undergraduates exploring the fundamentals of government political behavior and citizenship this text s fresh take on the important subject of youth engagement offers both a path for future research and practical guidance on how to engage citizen now in politics and democracy this book investigates the changing meanings of power and politics in the internet age and questions whether the political category of the citizen still has a meaningful role to play in the highly mediated dynamics of an increasingly networked world to answer such questions the book analyses and compares the impact of the internet on the relationship between state citizens and politics in three countries the usa italy and china the book s journey starts in the mid 90s and ends in 2016 it pays particular attention to obama 2008 and trump 2016 presidential campaigns the ascendance to power in italy of the anti establishment five star movement and to the enduring chinese government s struggle to control the internet public opinion the book challenges the traditional understanding of power through which the strong typically prevails over the weak this leads to a clearer understanding of the wider role citizens can play and must play in a networked political sphere while it also warns the reader on the many risks citizens face in a post truth world giovanni navarria is an associate of the centre for political thought at the university of exeter previously he has worked as lecturer and research fellow at the university of sydney at the wissenschaftszentrum berlin für sozialforschung and at the university of westminster his academic background and research approach is interdisciplinary it lies at the intersection between politics power and the media particularly the internet in his research he uses philosophy political theory and media theory to challenge prevailing notions of citizenship civic engagement and political power he has a phd from the university of westminster and a degree in philosophy from the university of catania at the university of sydney he has taught postgraduate units of studies in the field of public opinion new media and public relations politics and international relations as associate of the sydney democracy network he launched and co edited an article series called democracy futures and wrote a regular column titled networked politics for the conversation australia a searching examination of what citizen competence is how much it exists in the united states today and what can be done to increase it in this superb account of how the british and american news mediarepresent everyday citizens and public opinion the authors show howcoverage of politics and policy debates subtly even inadvertently urgepeople to see themselves as and thus to be politically passive disengaged and cynical the book s analysis of how journalistsmisrepresent even invent public opinion is alone worth the price of admission written with great verve passion and unswerving clarity citizens or consumers promises to become an instant classic in the studyof the failings and the still untapped promise of the news media tofurther democracy susan j douglas catherine neafie kellogg professor and chair department of communication studies the university of michigan based on an exhaustive cross atlantic empirical study citizens or consumers is an engaging and incisive contribution to a subject usually restricted to clichés and vague generalizations looking not only at how media impact upon their audiences but the manner in which that influence is mediated by the way in which citizenship itself is represented in news stories lewis et al offer us unusual and keen insight into a familiar world written in an engaging and lively style first year students and experienced faculty members as well as general readers will benefit from its many perceptive insights especially useful are the last few pages which suggest how journalists might alter their representation practices to invoke citizenship rather than passive consumerism sut jhallyprofessor of communication university of massachusetts at amherstfounder executive director media education foundation the two great duelists for our attention citizens and consumers are locked in a struggle for the future of democracy citizens or consumers offers its readers a sharp lesson in how the media highlight and distort that struggle it s the kind of lesson we all need toby miller author of cultural citizenship in recent years there has been much concern about the general decline in civic participation in both britain and the united states especially among young people at the same time we have seen declining budgets for serious domestic and international news and current affairs amidst widespread accusations of a dumbing down in the coverage of public affairs this book enters the debate by asking whether the news media have played a role in producing a passive citizenry and if so what might be done about it based on the largest study of the media coverage of public opinion and citizenship in britain and the united states this book argues that while most of us learn about politics and public affairs from the news media we rarely see or read about examples of an active engaged citizenry key reading for students in media and cultural studies politics and journalism studies democratic politics is a collective enterprise not simply because individual votes are counted to determine winners but more fundamentally because the individual exercise of citizenship is an interdependent undertaking citizens argue with one another and they generally arrive at political decisions through processes of social interaction and deliberation this book is dedicated to investigating the political implications of interdependent citizens within the context of the 1984 presidential campaign as it was experienced in the metropolitan area of south bend indiana hence this is a community study in the fullest sense of the term national politics is experienced locally through a series of filters unique to a particular setting and its consequences for the exercise of democratic citizenship the arrival of the participatory web 2 0 has been hailed by many as a media revolution bringing with it new tools and possibilities for direct political action through specialised online platforms mainstream social media or blogs citizens in many countries are increasingly seeking to have their voices heard online whether it is to lobby to support or to complain about their elected representatives politicians too are adopting new media in specific ways though they are often criticised for failing to seize the full potential of online tools to enter into dialogue with their electorates bringing together perspectives from around the world this volume examines emerging forms of citizen participation in the face of the evolving logics of political communication and provides a unique and original focus on the gap which exists between political uses of digital media by the politicians and by the people they represent drawing on case studies from the global south this book explores the politics of mediated citizenship in which citizens are represented to the state through third party intermediaries the studies show that mediation is both widely practiced and multi directional and that it has an important role to play in deepening democracy in the global south a political science professor craig rimmerman examines the consequences of civic indifference and argues that political participation is much more than merely voting the text explains why the lack of citizen participation is such a problem and outlines its sources suggesting ways in which americans may conquer their apathy toward government part of the dilemmas in american politics series includes photos tables notes glossary bibliography index the study of political behaviour in canada has often focused largely on parties and voting citizen politics seeks to expand that definition of political behaviour to encompass behaviouralsim as a method of inquiry as well as a focus of inquiry which includes political culture public opinion voting and elections political participation leaders and activists and interest groups and social movements in the past fifteen years since a canadian political behaviour text was last published the field has changed immensely and this collection

reflects these changes women are examined as independent political actors the importance of the media to voting and elections is investigated the uniqueness of immigrant and ethnic minority participation in canadian politics is discussed and new social movements are examined each section begins with an essay that synthesizes the important research and arguments that inform each subfield these are followed by two or more essays of original contemporary research which inform students of critical new approaches and provide examples of how research in the field of political behaviour is conducted the editors begin the volume with an essay that discusses what political behaviour is how the study is done and why it is important as a field of study and they end the book with an examination of the state of the field in canada today and an assessment of tomorrow s challenges political theorist michael walzer s classic guide is a perfect introduction to social activism including what to do advice for deciding which issues to take on organizing fundraising and providing effective leadership political action is a how to book for activists that was written at one of the darkest moments of the nixon administration and remains no less timely and intelligent and useful today michael walzer draws on his extensive engagement in the civil rights and antiwar movements of the 1960s to lay out the practical steps necessary to keep movement politics alive both in victory and in defeat what do people need to do when out of outrage or fear of looming disaster they come together to demand change should they focus on one or several issues should they form coalitions what can and can t be accomplished through electoral politics how can movements operate democratically what is effective leadership walzer addresses such questions with clarity concision wisdom and wit in a book that everywhere insists not only on the centrality of movement politics to the health of democratic societies but on the deep satisfaction that is to be found there political action is both an indispensable resource for activists and a lasting and inspiring summons to arms we live in an age of democracy very few people challenge the virtues of government by the people yet politicians and commentators are fond of decrying the crisis of democracy how do these views square up this book provides the answer by surveying the philosophical history of democracy and its critics and by analyzing empirical data about citizen participation in britain and other developed democracies in addition to analysis of major political thinkers like plato machiavelli and j s mill the book analyzes how modern technology has influenced democracy an essential book for students of politics history and media studies this study puts the debate about democracy into perspective and offers a solid grounding for future discussions engaging authority citizenship and political community aims to explore how authority is entailed in different versions of citizenship and political community who or what claims authority in the name of a people and to what effect what kind and scope of authority is claimed and who is held to be part of such a people engaging authority brings together scholars from anthropology constitutional studies cultural studies political theory sociology and philosophy in a collaborative project to develop a multifaceted understanding of citizenship in political community the volume begins with the premise that to describe or identify oneself as a citizen entails a particular relationship to authority citizens are understood to be members of a community which we consider political in that members are invoked and may also be involved in the business of governing how does this relationship function how is community invoked by those exercising authority and in what senses do citizens partake in its exercise in this volume the authors explore different forms of the citizen s relationship to authority in political community across and beyond the variations that usually concern scholars such as the self governing people nation states popular sovereignty and democratic citizenship in this study of politics in capitalist society bryan turner explores the development of citizenship as a way of demonstrating the effective use of political institutions by the working class and other subordinate groups to promote their interests marxist criticisms of reformism are rejected it is shown that subordinate groups can achieve significant advances in social and economic rights and that democracy is not a sham but a necessary mechanism for the pursuit of interests east asia is one of the most dynamic areas of political change in the world today what role do citizens play in these processes of change drawing upon a unique set of coordinated public opinion surveys conducted by the world values survey this book provides a dramatically new image of the political cultures of east asia most east asian citizens have strong democratic aspirations even in still autocratic nations most east asians support liberal market reforms even in nations where state socialism has been dominant the books findings thus provide a new perspective on the political values of asian publics we demonstrate that the dramatic socioeconomic changes of the past several decades have transformed public opinion altering many of the social norms traditionally identified with asian values and creating public support for further political and economic modernization of the region political culture in east asia is not an impediment to change but creates the potential for even greater democratization and marketization comparative politics is a series for students and teachers of political science that deals with contemporary government and politics the general editors are max kaase professor of political science vice president and dean school of humanities and social science international university bremen 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Citizen Politics 1972

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Parties 1972

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The Civic Culture Transformed 2014-12-31

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Mobilizing for Democracy 2013-04-04

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When Citizens Decide 2011-06-09

what according to democratic theorists should the ordinary citizen know about politics what does several decades of empirical research about citizens political knowledge tell us and why should we care this book offers a comprehensive outline of the vast literature on political knowledge and by providing an analytical framework for its studying

Everyday Politics 2010-11-24

in politics in the trenches volgy shows what really happens behind the scenes of government he contrasts perception with reality regarding the rewards and perks of office he examines the process of experimentation in the political laboratory and shows how the news media distort it he provides a case study of homelessness to illustrate the system's constraints and he offers a chapter on a typical week in office that will be an eye opener for most readers book jacket

Building a Citizen Society 2008

citizen now offers a comprehensive description of the composition and behavior of young adults an explanation and critique of the study of youth engagement and a unique approach and methodology for appreciating how and why citizen now engages in politics and democracy citizen now considers youth political participation from the perspective of young adults themselves specifically young adults who ve organized around an issue of great concern to millennials their economic well being the perfect text for undergraduates exploring the fundamentals of government political behavior and citizenship this text s fresh take on the important subject of youth engagement offers both a path for future research and practical guidance on how to engage citizen now in politics and democracy

Activating the Citizen 2009-08-12

this book investigates the changing meanings of power and politics in the internet age and questions whether the political category of the citizen still has a meaningful role to play in the highly mediated dynamics of an increasingly networked world to answer such questions the book analyses and compares the impact of the internet on the relationship between state citizens and politics in three countries the usa italy and china the book s journey starts in the mid 90s and ends in 2016 it pays particular attention to obama 2008 and trump 2016 presidential campaigns the ascendance to power in italy of the anti establishment five star movement and to the enduring chinese government s struggle to control the internet public opinion the book challenges the traditional understanding of power through which the strong typically prevails over the weak this leads to a clearer understanding of the wider role citizens can play and must play in a networked political sphere while it also warns the reader on the many risks citizens face in a post truth world giovanni navarria is an associate of the centre for political thought at the university of exeter previously he has worked as lecturer and research fellow at the university of sydney at the wissenschaftszentrum berlin für sozialforschung and at the university of westminster his academic background and research approach is interdisciplinary it lies at the intersection between politics power and the media particularly the internet in his research he uses philosophy political theory and media theory to challenge prevailing notions of citizenship civic engagement and political power he has a phd from the university of westminster and a degree in philosophy from the university of catania at the university of sydney he has taught postgraduate units of studies in the field of public opinion new media and public relations politics and international relations as associate of the sydney democracy network he launched and co edited an article series called democracy futures and wrote a regular column titled networked politics for the conversation australia

Cyborg Citizen 2000-12-20

a searching examination of what citizen competence is how much it exists in the united states today and what can be done to increase it

Citizens, Protest and Democracy 1993

in this superb account of how the british and american news mediarepresent everyday citizens and public opinion the authors show howcoverage of politics and policy debates subtly even inadvertently urgepeople to see themselves as and thus to be politically passive disengaged and cynical the book s analysis of how journalistsmisrepresent even invent public opinion is alone worth the price of admission written with great verve passion and unswerving clarity citizens or consumers promises to become an instant classic in the studyof the failings and the still untapped promise of the news media tofurther democracy susan j douglas catherine neafie kellogg professor and chair department of communication studies the university of michigan based on an exhaustive cross atlantic empirical study citizens or consumers is an engaging and incisive contribution to a subject usually restricted to clichés and vague generalizations looking not only at how media impact upon their audiences but the manner in which that influence is mediated by the way in which citizenship itself is represented in news stories lewis et al offer us unusual and keen insight into a familiar world written in an engaging and lively style first year students and experienced faculty members as well as general readers will benefit from its many perceptive insights especially useful are the last few pages which suggest how journalists might alter their representation practices to invoke citizenship rather than passive consumerism sut jhallyprofessor of communication university of massachusetts at amherstfounder executive director media education foundation the two great duelists for our attention citizens and consumers are locked in a struggle for the future of democracy citizens or consumers offers its readers a sharp lesson in how the media highlight and distort that struggle it s the kind of lesson we all need toby miller author of cultural citizenship in recent years there has been much concern about the general decline in civic participation in both britain and the united states especially among young people at the same time we have seen declining budgets for serious domestic and international news and current affairs amidst widespread accusations of a dumbing down in the coverage of public affairs this book enters the debate by asking whether the news media have played a role in producing a passive citizenry and if so what might be done about it based on the largest study of the media coverage of public opinion and citizenship in britain and the united states this book argues that while most of us learn about politics and public affairs from the news media we rarely see or read about examples of an active engaged citizenry key reading for students in media and cultural studies politics and journalism studies

The Conception of Citizen Knowledge in Democratic Theory 2013-11-28

democratic politics is a collective enterprise not simply because individual votes are counted to determine winners but more fundamentally because the individual exercise of citizenship is an interdependent undertaking citizens argue with one another and they generally arrive at political decisions through processes of social interaction and deliberation this book is dedicated to investigating the political implications of interdependent citizens within the context of the 1984 presidential campaign as it was experienced in the metropolitan area of south bend indiana hence this is a community study in the fullest sense of the term national politics is experienced locally through a series of filters unique to a particular setting and its consequences for the exercise of democratic citizenship

Politics in the Trenches 2001-01-01

the arrival of the participatory web 2 0 has been hailed by many as a media revolution bringing with it new tools and possibilities for direct political action through specialised online platforms mainstream social media or blogs citizens in many countries are increasingly seeking to have their voices heard online whether it is to lobby to support or to complain about their elected representatives politicians too are adopting new media in specific ways though they are often criticised for failing to seize the full potential of online tools to enter into dialogue with their electorates bringing together perspectives from around the world this volume examines emerging forms of citizen

participation in the face of the evolving logics of political communication and provides a unique and original focus on the gap which exists between political uses of digital media by the politicians and by the people they represent

Citizen now 2017-08-10

drawing on case studies from the global south this book explores the politics of mediated citizenship in which citizens are represented to the state through third party intermediaries the studies show that mediation is both widely practiced and multi directional and that it has an important role to play in deepening democracy in the global south

The Networked Citizen 2019

a political science professor craig rimmerman examines the consequences of civic indifference and argues that political participation is much more than merely voting the text explains why the lack of citizen participation is such a problem and outlines its sources suggesting ways in which americans may conquer their apathy toward government part of the dilemmas in american politics series includes photos tables notes glossary bibliography index

Citizen Competence and Democratic Institutions 2010-11-01

the study of political behaviour in canada has often focused largely on parties and voting citizen politics seeks to expand that definition of political behaviour to encompass behaviouralsim as a method of inquiry as well as a focus of inquiry which includes political culture public opinion voting and elections political participation leaders and activists and interest groups and social movements in the past fifteen years since a canadian political behaviour text was last published the field has changed immensely and this collection reflects these changes women are examined as independent political actors the importance of the media to voting and elections is investigated the uniqueness of immigrant and ethnic minority participation in canadian politics is discussed and new social movements are examined each section begins with an essay that synthesizes the important research and arguments that inform each subfield these are followed by two or more essays of original contemporary research which inform students of critical new approaches and provide examples of how research in the field of political behaviour is conducted the editors begin the volume with an essay that discusses what political behaviour is how the study is done and why it is important as a field of study and they end the book with an examination of the state of the field in canada today and an assessment of tomorrow s challenges

EBOOK: Citizens or Consumers: What the Media Tell us about Political Participation 2005-09-16

political theorist michael walzer's classic guide is a perfect introduction to social activism including what to do advice for deciding which issues to take on organizing fundraising and providing effective leadership political action is a how to book for activists that was written at one of the darkest moments of the nixon administration and remains no less timely and intelligent and useful today michael walzer draws on his extensive engagement in the civil rights and antiwar movements of the 1960s to lay out the practical steps necessary to keep movement politics alive both in victory and in defeat what do people need to do when out of outrage or fear of looming disaster they come together to demand change should they focus on one or several issues should they form coalitions what can and can t be accomplished through electoral politics how can movements operate democratically what is effective leadership walzer addresses such questions with clarity concision wisdom and wit in a book that everywhere insists not only on the centrality of movement politics to the health of democratic societies but on the deep satisfaction that is to be found there political action is both an indispensable resource for activists and a lasting and inspiring summons to arms

Citizens, Politics and Social Communication 1995-01-27

we live in an age of democracy very few people challenge the virtues of government by the people yet politicians and commentators are fond of decrying the crisis of democracy how do these views square up this book provides the answer by surveying the philosophical history of democracy and its critics and by analyzing empirical data about citizen participation in britain and other developed democracies in addition to analysis of major political thinkers like plato machiavelli and j s mill the book analyzes how modern technology has influenced democracy an essential book for students of politics history and media studies this study puts the debate about democracy into perspective and offers a solid grounding for future discussions

<u>Citizen Participation and Political Communication in a Digital World</u> 2015-11-06

engaging authority citizenship and political community aims to explore how authority is entailed in different versions of citizenship and political community who or what claims authority in the name of a people and to what effect what kind and scope of authority is claimed and who is held to be part of such a people engaging authority brings together scholars from anthropology constitutional studies cultural studies politics political theory sociology and philosophy in a collaborative project to develop a multifaceted understanding of citizenship in political community the volume begins with the premise that to describe or identify oneself as a citizen entails a particular relationship to authority citizens are understood to be members of a community which we consider political in that members are invoked and may also be involved in the business of governing how does this relationship function how is community invoked by those exercising authority and in what senses do citizens partake in its exercise in this volume the authors explore different forms of the citizen s relationship to authority in political community across and beyond the variations that usually concern scholars such as the self governing

people nation states popular sovereignty and democratic citizenship

Mediated Citizenship 2014-10-08

in this study of politics in capitalist society bryan turner explores the development of citizenship as a way of demonstrating the effective use of political institutions by the working class and other subordinate groups to promote their interests marxist criticisms of reformism are rejected it is shown that subordinate groups can achieve significant advances in social and economic rights and that democracy is not a sham but a necessary mechanism for the pursuit of interests

The New Citizenship 1997-02-27

east asia is one of the most dynamic areas of political change in the world today what role do citizens play in these processes of change drawing upon a unique set of coordinated public opinion surveys conducted by the world values survey this book provides a dramatically new image of the political cultures of east asia most east asian citizens have strong democratic aspirations even in still autocratic nations most east asians support liberal market reforms even in nations where state socialism has been dominant the books findings thus provide a new perspective on the political values of asian publics we demonstrate that the dramatic socioeconomic changes of the past several decades have transformed public opinion altering many of the social norms traditionally identified with asian values and creating public support for further political and economic modernization of the region political culture in east asia is not an impediment to change but creates the potential for even greater democratization and marketization comparative politics is a series for students and teachers of political science that deals with contemporary government and politics the general editors are max kaase professor of political science vice president and dean school of humanities and social science international university bremen germany and kenneth newton professor of comparative politics university of southampton the series is produced in association with the european consortium for political research

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