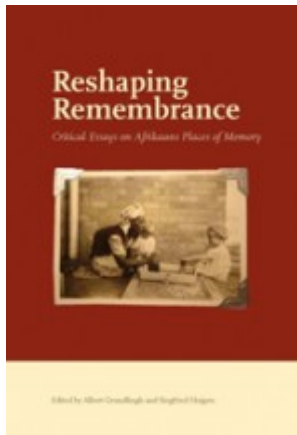


Reshaping Remembrance ~ Critical Essays On Afrikaans Places Of Memory



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In any society in the throes of transition, there is a particularly acute need to reflect upon aspects of the past that used to represent firm beacons enlightening the way ahead. This inevitably involves a broader re-appraisal of the processes which contributed to the formation of a specific historical memory in the first place.

Reshaping Remembrance includes a number of critical essays on dimensions of collective Afrikaans historical memory in South Africa. In the light of radical changes in the country, scholars from various disciplines reflect on the dynamics of historical consciousness symbolically present in various areas: the 'volksmoeder' image, historical events and monuments, language and music, rugby and architecture.

This work hopes to resound with a well-established intellectual tradition in Europe dealing with '*places of memory*' or '*lieux de mémoire*'.

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