This Jade World: American Lives Uncovered

In her groundbreaking book, *This Jade World: American Lives*, historian Madeleine Yuan Chung tells the stories of Chinese immigrants in America from the mid-19th century to the present day. Drawing on a wealth of archival research and oral histories, Chung paints a vivid and complex portrait of the lives of these immigrants, their struggles and triumphs, their hopes and dreams.



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The book begins with the arrival of the first Chinese immigrants in the United States in the mid-19th century. These immigrants came in search of opportunity, fleeing poverty and political unrest in their homeland. They found work in a variety of industries, including mining, railroad construction, and agriculture. However, they also faced discrimination and violence from white Americans, who saw them as a threat to their jobs and way of life.

Despite the challenges they faced, Chinese immigrants persevered and built a vibrant community in the United States. They established their own businesses, schools, and churches. They also played a vital role in the development of the American West, helping to build the railroads and mine the gold and silver that fueled the nation's economy.

In the 20th century, Chinese immigrants continued to make significant contributions to American society. They served in the military during both World War I and World War II. They also played a major role in the civil rights movement, fighting for equality and justice for all Americans.

Today, Chinese immigrants are an integral part of the American fabric. They are doctors, lawyers, teachers, engineers, and business owners. They have founded their own companies and created their own unique culture. They are also active in politics and civic life, working to make America a better place for all.

This Jade World is a powerful and moving account of the lives of Chinese immigrants in America. It is a must-read for anyone interested in the history of immigration, the Chinese-American experience, or the human condition.

Praise for *This Jade World*

"This Jade World is a masterpiece of historical storytelling. Madeleine Yuan Chung has written a book that is both deeply researched and deeply moving. It is a must-read for anyone who wants to understand the Chinese-American experience." – The New York Times

"Chung's book is a major contribution to the field of immigration history. It is a beautifully written and deeply moving account of the lives of Chinese immigrants in America." – *The Journal of American History*

"This Jade World is a powerful and inspiring story of the Chinese-American experience. It is a must-read for anyone who wants to understand the history of immigration and the American dream." – *The Washington Post*

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