

KOREAN WAR IN FICTION & FILM

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The Korean War (1950-1953) shaped East Asia as we know it today. The war also altered the direction of American foreign policy and established an enduring tone of anti-communism in American popular culture. But for all its importance, the Korean War is commonly known as "The Forgotten War." This course is an exercise in unforgetting the forgotten war. Analyzing representations of the Korean War in fiction and film, we will examine the nature and impact of this war, and ask why it still remains the subject of much mystification more than sixty-five years after the ceasefire.



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