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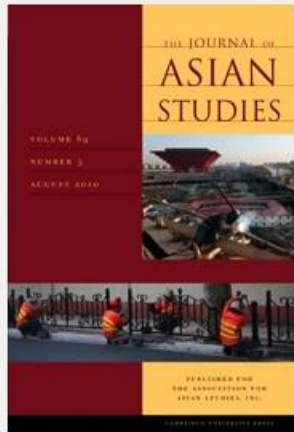
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Two of the scholarly publications on our radar have new China-related content online:



• The [August 2010 issue](#) of the *Journal of Asian Studies* features a four-article forum on “Transnational Extravaganzas” that is available to non-subscribers online (the rest of the issue’s content is by subscription only). The first piece in the forum, “[Expo 2010: A Historical Perspective](#)” is by cultural historian Susan Fernsebner (who has written on the Expo for *China Beat in the past*); another forum contributor with [aChina Beat connection](#) is journalist Pallavi Aiyar, author of “[From 2008 to 2010: Big-Ticket Spectacles in China and India.](#)” The other two forum articles (not about China, but well worth reading!) are “[Delhi and CWG2010: The Games Behind the Games,](#)” by Kalyani Menon-Sen and “[An Ordinary Country,](#)” by Dilip Menon.



• Over at [China Heritage Quarterly](#), the latest issue takes a look at Matteo Ricci, Jesuit missionary to the Ming, on the 400th anniversary of his death. Check out [how the occasion was marked around the world](#); read [Nicolas Standaert’s analysis](#) of how Ricci’s life and work were shaped by his years in China; and [watch an online lecture](#) about Ricci delivered by Professor Antoni Üçerler. In the “Articles” section of CHQ, you’ll find “[A Bible for Beijing,](#)” written by Pierre Fuller and originally published [here at China Beat](#).