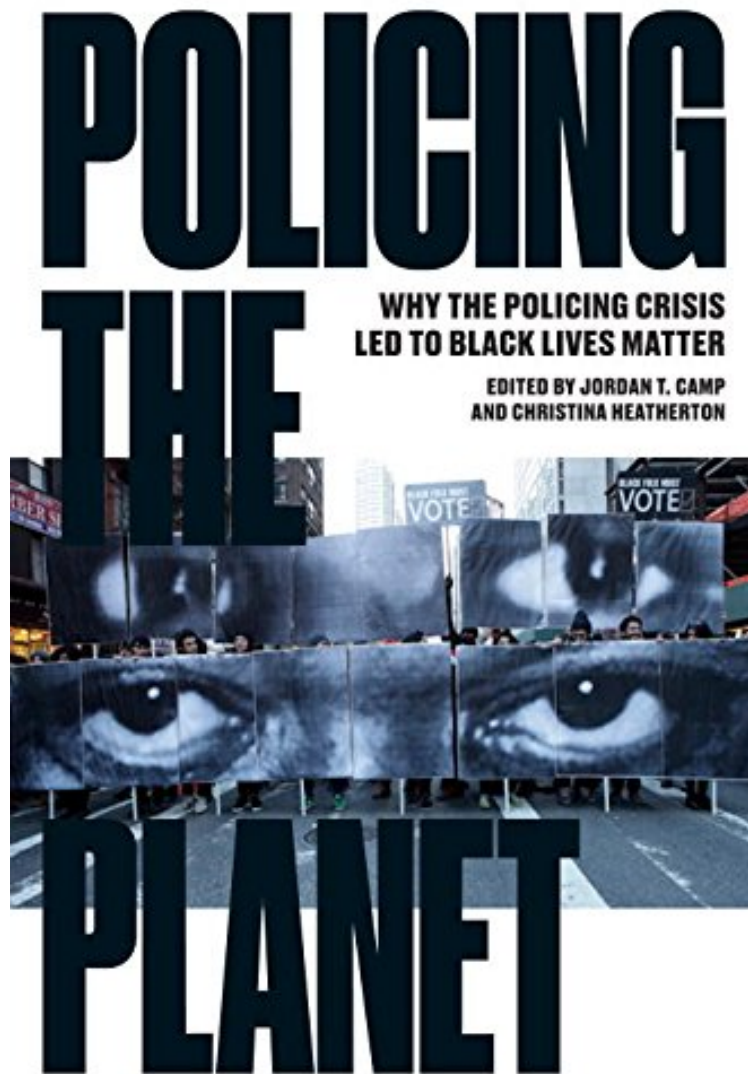


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2 of 3 people found the following review helpful. This book is not written with the average American in mind. By Maggie Miller I was frustrated with this book because in the first 5 pages I had to look up not only words, but political

and social ideologies the author expected the reader to know. The introduction has many quotes from research studies peppered in with the author's writing. In my opinion the target audience is a person with a masters in sociology. Example from page 135: "A neoliberal society needs to naturalize exploitation and hierarchy, to elevate internalized desires for advantages and wealth over mutual recognition and respect, to create spaces structured around the imperatives of hostile privatism and defensive localism, and to stoke exaggerated fears of difference in order to mobilize resentment, contempt, and anger towards vulnerable populations and render them disposable, displaceable, and deportable. Quoted from *Insubordinate Spaces for Intemperate Times: Countering the Pedagogy and Cultural Studies*. This quote is sandwiched into perfectly readable prose. The quotes seem out-of-place in many instances. Difficult to read and comprehend in my opinion.

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. This spells danger for populations who are poor and deemed surplus by world capitalism. By S. Dominguez Police are being deployed to guard the surplus populations worldwide produced by neoliberalism. Their job is difficult but they are supported by governments who are corporatized. This spells danger for populations who are poor and deemed surplus by world capitalism.

14 of 16 people found the following review helpful. Not for casual readers, but informed, important, and covers new angles. By Dan I'll start out this review by saying I'm probably not the target audience for this book. Normally I take that into consideration when rating a book, but I have a feeling a lot of casual-interest people like myself may look to this volume as a way to inform themselves about what has become a hot-button political/social issue in our country. (I say "has become" even though, as illustrated in these articles and interviews, "broken windows" policing isn't something that just started yesterday.)

POLICING THE PLANET is commendable in that it looks at police discrimination from a global standpoint, taking into account not just African Americans, but also people of other races, and also the LGBT community. It's a hodgepodge of articles and interviews; the latter come off largely as puff-pieces: lobbyists and activists using fancy words to explain something that's really quite simple: s***'s bleeped up. Some of the articles actually give insight into the day-to-day, real-world concerns that are rampant in this country, which is what people really need to know about. Still, this isn't for the casual reader looking to inform him/herself. If you're studying race/LGBT social issues, then yes, by all means, give this book a read. But casual readers would be better off with a book told from a single viewpoint, and branch out from there. I commend the editors for including so many diverse angles/POV's, but ultimately, this is more an academic text. If you're still interested, then by all means, go for it.

How policing became the major political issue of our time

Combining firsthand accounts from activists with the research of scholars and reflections from artists, *Policing the Planet* traces the global spread of the broken-windows policing strategy, first established in New York City under Police Commissioner William Bratton. It's a doctrine that has vastly broadened police power the world over—to deadly effect.

With contributions from #BlackLivesMatter cofounder Patrisse Cullors, Ferguson activist and Law Professor Justin Hansford, Director of New York-based Communities United for Police Reform Joo-Hyun Kang, poet Martín Espada, and journalist Anjali Kamat, as well as articles from leading scholars Ruth Wilson Gilmore, Robin D. G. Kelley, Naomi Murakawa, Vijay Prashad, and more, *Policing the Planet* describes ongoing struggles from New York to Baltimore to Los Angeles, London, San Juan, San Salvador, and beyond.