

Special Issue

Adoption Is Stranger than Fiction

Message from the Guest Editor

- Analyses and comparisons of accounts that may come from any parties involved in post-war intercountry adoptions and that draw on pertinent sources and/or life-cycle documentation
- Lived experiences that are underpinned by theoretical perspectives and that engage with the current critical literature and scholarship and/or archival or other kinds of “elusive” sources.
- Analyses of more creative interpretations, whether critical or not, e.g., novels drawing on intercountry adoption.
- Explorations of post-WWII cross-border adoptions in popular media.
- Analyses of personal, communal, national, political, diplomatic, legal, cultural, and other conditions, whether prevalent at the time that the “historical” adoptions took place or dominant in more recent decades.
- Analyses or reports on country-focused longitudinal investigations.
- Papers examining current adoptee activism.
- Papers exploring root searches, reunions with biological parents, and/or post-reunion relationships. Of special interest are the voices of the adopted persons themselves, who have traditionally been less represented than the adoptive parents.

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