

## **Fragment of/f Empires: The Peripheral Formation of Taiwanese Nationalism**

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Modern Taiwanese nationalism is a complicated case of peripheral nationalism that emerged, submerged, and re-emerged as a result of successive yet unfinished state-making and nation-building projects on the island by various imperial centers. Three historical empires present in Northeast Asia deeply shaped the formation and developmental trajectory of Taiwanese nationalism: the Qing Empire from 1683-1895, the Japanese Empire from 1895 to 1945, and the American Empire of the post-WWII era.