The Poetics of Women's Writing in Indonesia and Malaysia
A Gynocritics Reading

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Feminist studies in Malaysia have passed through their beginning stages. This book, *The Poetic of Women's in Indonesia and Malaysia: A Gynocritics Reading*, bring readers to the next level with a discussion from a more recent angle, using the theory of gynocritics as proposed by Showalter. The discussion is carefully arranged and strengthened by logical arguments and perceivable examples, giving a distinct picture of female poetics in which women's body and experience are focused upon. Female poetics, which is unique and different, deconstructs the poetics of the mainstream (male) writing, and, as a result, is subversive. It focuses on the emotions, voices, desires, symbolism, imagery, discourse and styles of women, which, in turn, is related to the women's body. The writer traces these elements in the works of important writers such as Titis Basino, Oka Rusmini, Ayu Utami and Toety Heraty from Indonesia, and Azmah Nordin, Rosnini Shaari, Fatimah Busu and Zaharah Nawawi from Malaysia. Elements influencing the poetics that have directly or indirectly influenced the information of female poetics in both countries are also discussed. This book opens a new dimension in exploring the minds of women writers in the region and is objective. It is an important reference for scholars and student of literature.

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The book will be useful study of students, researchers and teachers of history in Malaysia, where this is the only Malay-English publication that provides a comprehensive approach used is qualitative in Hajati's analysis. It be overplayed. Therefore, the study of this study cannot neglect the multidimensional understanding of the concept of history, whether at the national or international level.
Women andLiterature

Apparalled through her work, Jennifer Norton described the way
women are portrayed in literature as a historical and pervasive
phenomenon. Her work focuses on the portrayal of women in
literature, highlighting the ways in which women are often
disguised as passive, submissive figures. Norton argues that
women are often depicted as passive, submissive figures in
literature, with little agency or control over their own lives.

The development of modern feminism has helped to challenge
these traditional portrayals of women in literature. Women
have begun to demand greater representation in literature,
and works that feature strong, independent women are
becoming more common. This shift in representation reflects
the changing attitudes towards women in society, as well
as the increasing awareness of the importance of gender
equality.

Norton's work is significant in that it provides a
framework for understanding how women have been
portrayed in literature throughout history. By examining
the way in which women have been characterized, Norton
highlights the ways in which literature has perpetuated
gender stereotypes and contributed to the marginalization
of women in society. Her work serves as a call to action,
encouraging writers and readers alike to challenge these
traditional portrayals of women in literature and to
embrace more diverse and equitable representations.
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Women are often portrayed as passive figures in society, but the experiences of women vary widely. This issue of the women's journal "The Voice" explores the complexities of being a woman in contemporary society. Through a series of articles and essays, the journal aims to challenge stereotypes and provide a platform for diverse voices.

Women's experiences are often shaped by their gender, race, class, and other social identities. This complex interplay of factors influences how women navigate the world and shape their identities. The journal features contributions from writers across various disciplines, including sociology, psychology, literature, and more.

One article focuses on the intersection of gender and class, examining how economic disparities affect women's opportunities and autonomy. Another explores the impact of technology on women's roles and relationships, highlighting both the challenges and possibilities of digital communication.

The journal also includes essays on the importance of women's voices in shaping cultural narratives, as well as reflections on the role of women in feminist movements and activism. Through these pieces, the journal seeks to foster a deeper understanding of the experiences of women and to promote a more inclusive and equitable society.

The essays in this issue aim to provoke thought and inspire action, encouraging readers to reflect on the ways in which they can support women's rights and empower women in their communities. By sharing these stories and perspectives, the journal hopes to contribute to a broader conversation about gender equality and social justice.

The purpose of this issue is to provide a space for women to share their experiences and insights, to challenge societal norms, and to envision a future where gender equality is a reality for all. Together, we can work towards creating a society that values and uplifts all voices.