

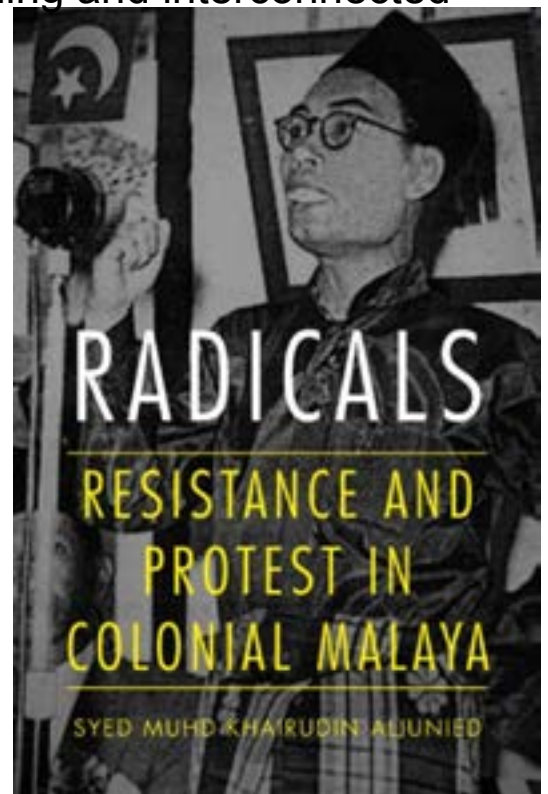
PUBLIC TALK

Why Do We Need to Take Radicals Seriously?

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Radicals: Resistance and Protest in Colonial Malaya is an innovative study that brings to light the less charted and unanalyzed terrain of the radical experience—becoming and being radical. Khairudin Aljunied argues that the experiences and histories of radicals in colonial Malaya can be elucidated in a more nuanced way by interrogating them alongside evolving local and global circumstances and by analyzing them through the lenses of a set of overarching and interconnected mobilizing concepts—a set of ideas, visions, and notions that the radicals used to reason and justify their advent—that were internalized, lived, and utilized in the course of their activism. These mobilizing concepts were their weapons and armor, employed to organize, strategize, protect, and consolidate themselves when menaced by the tentacles of the colonial state as they embarked upon the agonizing path towards independence. Those interested in Malaysian history, colonial history, radical movements, and resistance groups will enjoy this fascinating study.



Dr Khairudin Aljunied specializes in the history of Islam in Southeast Asia, covering topics such as Muslim networks, social movements, intellectual currents and minorities within and beyond the region.

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