

## **PCCBS Book Prize 2020/2021**

**Winner:** Priya Satia, *Time's Monster: How History Makes History* (Cambridge, MA: Harvard University Press, 2020)

Priya Satia's *Time's Monster* forces historians to turn their gaze on themselves and the active role the writing of history has had in creating and justifying the inequities of today's world. Drawing on a wealth of scholarship, and ranging widely across time and space, she searingly demonstrates how since the eighteenth century the narratives of British historians shaped imperial policies and practices around the globe, serving to justify conquests of peoples and the planet. While this elegantly written and powerful book is a sobering reminder of our ethical and political obligations as historians it is hopeful and suggestive of how we may decolonize our discipline and our field.