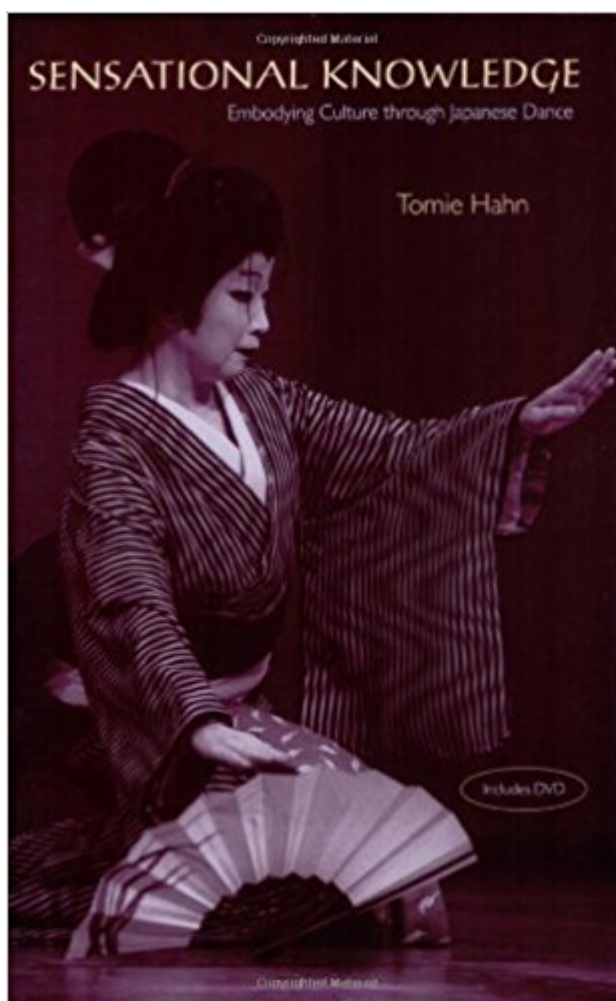


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# Sensational Knowledge: Embodying Culture Through Japanese Dance (Music/Culture)



## Synopsis

How do music and dance reveal the ways in which a community interacts with the world? How are the senses used in communicating cultural knowledge? In *Sensational Knowledge*, ethnomusicologist and dancer Tomie Hahn uncovers the process and nuances of learning nihon buyo, a traditional Japanese dance form. She uses case studies of dancers at all levels, as well as her own firsthand experiences, to investigate the complex language of bodies, especially across cultural divides. Paying particular attention to the effect of body-to-body transmission, and how culturally constructed processes of transmission influence our sense of self, Hahn argues that the senses facilitate the construction of "boundaries of existence" that define our physical and social worlds. In this flowing and personal text, Hahn reveals the ways in which culture shapes our attendance to various sensoria, and how our interpretation of sensory information shapes our individual realities. An included DVD provides visual examples.

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"*Sensational Knowledge* is a deft example of contemporary self-reflexive ethnography combining dance and performance studies amongst others notably Asian philosophy

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I read this book while working on course work for a doctoral program. I couldn’t put it down! I read it cover to cover. It is wonderfully written, and the DVD makes it even more necessary for your office or home library.

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