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TIGHT KNIT: GLOBAL FAMILIES AND THE SOCIAL LIFE OF FAST FASHION

BOOK SALON

with Betsy Krause

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The coveted “Made in Italy” label calls to mind visions of nimble-fingered Italian tailors lovingly sewing elegant, high-end clothing. Yet, as Betsy Krause uncovers in *Tight Knit*, Chinese migrants are the ones sewing “Made in Italy” labels into low-cost items for a thriving fast-fashion industry. Krause offers a revelatory look into how families involved in the fashion industry are coping with globalization. She brings to the fore the tensions that are reaching a boiling point as the country struggles to deal with the same migration pressures that are triggering backlash all over Europe and North America.

DISCUSSANTS: Anna Botta (Smith College), Calvin Chen (Mount Holyoke College), Anne Ciecko (UMass Amherst) and Vanessa Fong (Amherst College)

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