Handbook on Space, Place and Law

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This innovative Handbook provides an expansive interrogation of the spaces and places of law, exploring how we engage relationally in a material world, within which we are inter-dependent and reliant, and governed by laws in a dynamic process. It advances novel insights into the numerous intersections of space, place and law in our lives.

‘A must-have for readers paying attention to space, place and law. This edited book is a journey along a braided river, with 32 chapters on Indigenous issues, non-human others, cyberlaw, the sea, cities, energy, the underground and much more. Highly readable and packed with important insights, you will need to put this book down, but you will soon pick it up again.’
– Phil McManus, University of Sydney, Australia

‘The contributors, refreshingly, are diverse and differently situated. Intellectually, they also come from many worlds – geography, law, planning, anthropology, and so on. Their work speaks to the crucial challenges, tied to systemic inequality, that we confront, while also reminding us of the diverse forms that legal geography takes. It insists that legal geography is needed now, more than ever.’
– from the Foreword by Nicholas Blomley

‘Legal geography has much promise in deepening our understanding of the linkages between societies, their governance, and the world we live in. The Handbook on Space, Place and Law offers not only a major consolidation of the field, but a significant extension. Bartel, Carter and colleagues scope widely across socio-legal contexts, policy sectors and environments, and offer deep insights of great value to geographers and lawyers alike, and indeed to anyone concerned with the conditions of people and their environments.’
– Stephen Dovers, Australian National University