

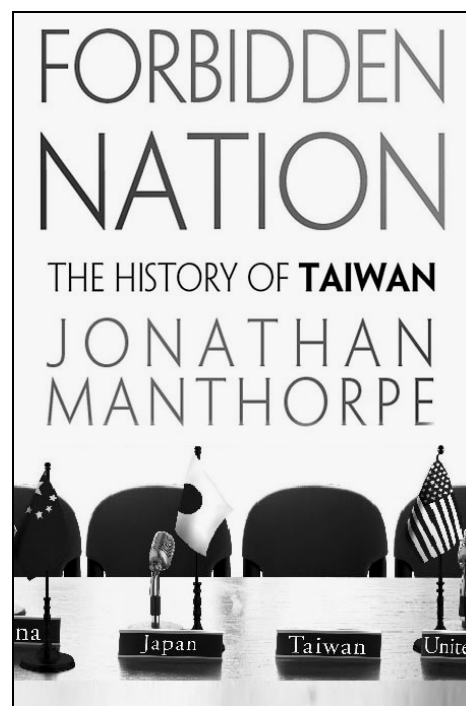
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Jonathan has been a foreign correspondent for Canadian newspapers for 25 years and has specialized in reporting on Asia for the past decade. Prior to that appointment, he was Africa Correspondent for five years, and ten years as European Bureau Chief. In the course of these assignments he has worked from bases in Hong Kong, Rhodesia-Zimbabwe and London.

Outside his newspaper work, the Canadian government in June 2003 appointed Jonathan Manthorpe to be a member of the Canada-Japan Forum. This is a committee made up of six senior figures from each country in the fields of industry, commerce, academia, security, culture and journalism. They are charged with recommending to the two prime ministers ways in which bilateral ties between Canada and Japan can be broadened and deepened. He has won the Mitchener Award for journalism, as well as several international prizes.

Jonathan's book *Forbidden Nation: The History of Taiwan* was published by Palgrave Macmillan in 2005 and distributed in Canada by HB Fenn.



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