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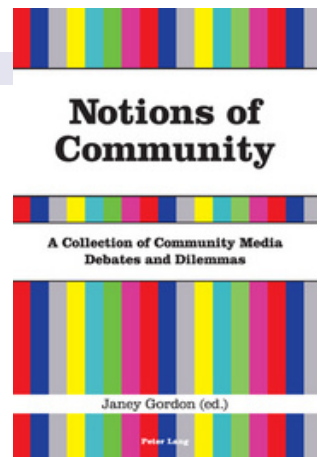
## Notions of Community

A Collection of Community Media Debates and Dilemmas

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### Book synopsis

This volume gets beyond simple descriptions of the values and processes involved in community media and is deliberately seeking argument and structured debate around the issues of this vibrant sector of the media. The contributors examine the dilemmas that have emerged within this sector and provide an incisive overview. The chapters use case studies and data research to illustrate the major debates facing community media, along with a sideways look at the dilemmas that community media practitioners and their audiences must engage with.

This collection provides an international perspective and covers the traditional formats as well as newer media technologies. It also gives some intriguing examples of community media, which get beyond simple good practices.

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### Reviews

«[Notions of Community] bietet] einen sehr guten, differenzierten und aktuellen Überblick zu 'community media'» (Sven Thiermann, Zukunftswerkstatt Bürgermedien)

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