Editorial

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This inaugural issue explores various socio-cultural dimensions of a multi-cultural society like Nepal. Topics include gender perception, faith-healing and traditional medicinal practices, marriage practices, urban squatters, formal education and modernization policies, menstrual hygiene and practices, and Madheshi Dalit women and social movements. The contributions in this volume reflect the scholarly rigor and original insights that *Nepalese Journal of Society and Culture* seeks to promote through its scientific publications.

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