

## About Katherine K. Chen

Katherine K. Chen's ethnographic study examines the growing organization behind the [Burning Man event](#), the countercultural arts festival which annually attracts 50,000 people to the Nevada desert. *[Enabling Creative Chaos: The Organization Behind the Burning Man Event](#)*, shows how an organization can support members' efforts without succumbing to either under-organizing (insufficient structure and coordination) or over-organizing (excessive structure and coercive control). Dr. Chen is assistant professor of sociology at The City College of New York and the Graduate Center, City University of New York. She received her Ph.D. and M.A. in Sociology from Harvard University. 2009 is Dr. Chen's tenth year at Burning Man. She lives in New York City.

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