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<b>The Psychedelic Reader</b> Shambhala Publications Rather than lose her lover, the anonymous heroine pours out her deepest feelings and wildest fantasies in a series of startlingly erotic and uninhibited letters.	
<b>Ethnobotany</b> State University of New York Press "In the 1930s a girl in Mexico found two skulls and brought them to the U.S. One was a normal human, the other was something else. Since 1999, Lloyd Pye has coordinated the extensive scientific testing of both skulls. The Starchild Skull is a charmingly wry, addictively readable book chronicling Pye's odyssey with the skulls."--From the publisher. <i>The Roots of Tantra</i> Lulu.com Kundalini's power lies dormant in humans until it is awakened. The awakened Kundalini expresses the primal divine impulse and ultimately joins the individual with the divine. The development of the book parallels the development of the Kundalini within. Part One exposes the awakening and unfolding of the Kundalini; Part Two describes the piercing of the energy centers and the stages of ascent through the body; and Part Three examines Kundalini's relation to sexual expression. The book provides a deep understanding of Tantra and of the underlying purpose of Tantracism. The author carefully considers the Caryakrama practices of sexual expression as a means of awakening and controlling Kundalini. Silburn draws together passages from the Trika, Krama, and Kaula systems ranging through Abhinavagupta and Lalla and provides both translation and commentary for them. Chapters on the Chakras, the Nadis, and on mantras further elucidate the topic and lead to a forceful conclusion: Kundalini is the source of ultimate human knowledge and power.	
<b>On Our Reflection</b> Simon and Schuster Develops a theory of contemporary culture that relies on displacing economic notions of cultural production with notions of cultural expenditure. This book represents an effort to rethink cultural theory from the perspective of a concept of cultural materialism, one that radically redefines postmodern formulations of the body.	
<b>Bully Nation</b> Ballantine Books Originally published: New Hyde Park, N.Y.: University Books, 1965. New introduction by Erik Davis, 2007. <i>Simulations</i> Citadel Find the droids you know and love and discover new favorites along the way. This Star Wars guide with a twist showcases a world of droids in close-up detail. Arranged from smallest to biggest, more than 50 droids of the galaxy are revealed with stunning photography and gorgeous artwork. The evocative descriptions will delight children and let them discover amazing droid facts, such as what tools R2-D2 uses and why GNK droids make a "gonk gonk" noise! Each page features fun droid facts and detailed close-up photographs for children to pore over, including firm favorites such as C-3PO and BB-8 as well as more unusual ones such as Professor Huyang, police droids, tiny probe droids, and new The Rise of Skywalker droid D-O. Star Wars Extraordinary Droids is a perfect gift for children who can't get enough of a galaxy far, far away. The book covers droids small (quiet, little mouse droids) and big (vulture droid starfighters), kind (memoir-writing PZ-4CO) and scary (droidekas), and will be a treasured favorite book to keep. © & TM 2020 LUCASFILM LTD. <i>Secret Chief Revealed, Revised 2nd Edition: Conversations with Leo Zeff, Pioneer in the Underground Psychedelic Therapy Movement</i> Prometheus Books Simulations never existed as a book before it was "translated" into English. Actually it came from two different bookCovers written at different times by Jean Baudrillard. The first part of Simulations, and most provocative because it made a fiction of theory, was "The Procession of Simulacra." It had first been published in Simulacre et Simulations (1981). The second part, written much earlier and in a more academic mode, came from L'Echange Symbolique et la Mort (1977). It was a half-earnest, half-parodical attempt to "historicize" his own conceit by providing it with some kind of genealogy of the three orders of appearance: the Counterfeit attached to the classical period; Production for the industrial era; and Simulation, controlled by the code. It was Baudrillard's version of Foucault's Order of Things and his ironical commentary of the history of truth. The book opens on a quote from Ecclesiastes asserting flatly that "the simulacrum is true." It was certainly true in Baudrillard's book, but otherwise apocryphal.One of the most influential essays of the 20th century, Simulations was put together in 1983 in order to be published as the first little black book of Semiotext(e)'s new Foreign Agents Series. Baudrillard's bewildering thesis, a bold extrapolation on Ferdinand de Saussure's general theory of general linguistics, was in fact a clinical vision of contemporary consumer societies where signs don't refer anymore to anything except themselves. They all are generated by the matrix.In effect Baudrillard's essay (it quickly became a must to read both in the art world and in academe) was upholding the only reality there	

was in a world that keeps hiding the fact that it has none. Simulacrum is its own pure simulacrum and the simulacrum is true. In his celebrated analysis of Disneyland, Baudrillard demonstrates that its childish imaginary is neither true nor false, it is there to make us believe that the rest of America is real, when in fact America is a Disneyland. It is of the order of the hyper-real and of simulation. Few people at the time realized that Baudrillard's simulacrum itself wasn't a thing, but a "deterrence machine," just like Disneyland, meant to reveal the fact that the real is no longer real and illusion no longer possible. But the more impossible the illusion of reality becomes, the more impossible it is to separate true from false and the real from its artificial resurrection, the more panic-stricken the production of the real is.

[Wild Things They Don't Tell Us](#) Routledge

A deliciously iconoclastic and often funny historical survey of Western philosophy. . . . This irreverent tour will goad armchair philosophers to independent thought. - Publishers WeeklyAnyone thinking of a major in philosophy would do well to read this . . . - Philadelphia City PaperHis acid humor and frank discussions are a welcome comic interlude for the serious student of philosophy. - Philosophy and Religion Expert Editor's Recommended Book, Amazon.com. . . delightful irreverence . . . brilliant ending. - New HumanityThroughout history, well-known theories of reality, knowledge, mind, and most particularly the professional philosophers who rely on them for their intellectual existence, have sought to isolate universal truths and structure the history of philosophy to distinguish schools and movements that seek a comprehensive understanding of our world. But in this well-intended pursuit of truth, have we lost sight of what philosophy is? Matthew Stewart believes we have.His rowdy guided tour of the search for truth romps through traditional histories of philosophy using parables, imaginary dialogues, and illustrations to demonstrate that knowing theories, recognizing revered schools, and distinguishing the views of the great philosophers isn't what philosophy should be about. Once removed from the clutches of historicism, the compulsion for universal answers, and the perception that reason is a peculiarly Western possession, the nature of philosophy can be seen as a genuine human disposition to love and respect knowledge coupled with a desire for critical thinking.Matthew Stewart (New York, NY) holds a doctorate in philosophy from Oxford University and is a founding partner of the Mitchell Madison Group, a management consulting firm.

*Privatization* Penguin

The Secret Chief Revealed: Conversations with Leo Zeff, Pioneer in the Underground Psychedelic Therapy Movement by Myron J. Stolaroff is back in stock! The 2022 revised 2nd edition is a co-publication of the Multidisciplinary Association for Psychedelic Studies (MAPS) and Synergetic Press. Leo Zeff (1912 - 1988) was a pioneering psychedelic therapist and researcher focused on LSD, MDMA and other psychoactive drugs. He conducted much of his work and practice underground after psychedelics were declared illegal in the 1960s. By the time he turned 70, Zeff was single-handedly responsible for the introduction of psychedelic compounds in use globally among nearly 4,000 individual therapists/practitioners. The Secret Chief is written as a transcription of an interview conducted in the 1980s with Zeff about his research, studies and practice with psychedelic-assisted therapy. The revised 2nd edition maintains much of the 2nd edition release, including thoughtful contributions on Zeff's lifework/research from other leaders in the psychedelic movement including Albert Hofmann, discoverer of LSD, psychedelic researcher and author, and Stanislav Grov, a founder of transpersonal psychology. The Secret Chief, revised 2nd edition also preserves 2nd edition content including contributions in the form of sentimental, narrative-style tributes to Zeff, with notable words from Ann & Alexander (Sasha) Shulgin, renown psychedelic researchers and authors, who also mention Zeff in their how-to chemistry book, Pihkal: A Chemical Love Story. Other anecdotes and commentary in The Secret Chief come from Zeff's children, apprentice therapists, and anonymous patients with whom Zeff worked. These comments provide insights into how Zeff navigated in the underground psychedelic research space, his contributions to the field, and personal understandings of who he was as a man, father, friend, researcher, and healer. This revised edition contains corrected errata, updated links to sources cited in the 2004 edition, and an updated design.

**Octopus** Multidisciplinary Association for Psychedelic Studies

Among the many spiritual traditions born and developed in India, Tantra has been the most difficult to define. Almost everything about it its major characteristics, its sources, its relationships to other religions, even its practices are debated among sc

[Simulacra and Simulation](#) Metro Publishing, Limited

Is there a Buddhist discourse on sex? In this innovative study, Bernard Faure reveals Buddhism's paradoxical attitudes toward sexuality. His remarkably broad range covers the entire geography of this religion, and its long evolution from the time of its founder, Xvkyamuni, to the premodern age. The author's anthropological approach uncovers the inherent discrepancies between the normative teachings of Buddhism and what its followers practice. Framing his discussion on some of the most prominent Western thinkers of sexuality--Georges Bataille and Michel Foucault--Faure draws from different reservoirs of writings, such as the orthodox and heterodox "doctrines" of Buddhism, and its monastic codes. Virtually untapped mythological as well as legal sources are also used. The dialectics inherent in Mahvyvna Buddhism, in particular in the Tantric and Chan/Zen traditions, seemed to allow for greater laxity and even encouraged breaking of taboos. Faure also offers a history of Buddhist monastic life, which has been buffeted by anticlerical attitudes, and by attempts to regulate sexual behavior from both within and beyond the monastery. In two chapters

devoted to Buddhist homosexuality, he examines the way in which this sexual behavior was simultaneously condemned and idealized in medieval Japan. This book will appeal especially to those interested in the cultural history of Buddhism and in premodern Japanese culture. But the story of how one of the world's oldest religions has faced one of life's greatest problems makes fascinating reading for all.

[Lust for Enlightenment](#) State University of New York Press

This profound text is concerned with the philosophy and practice known as Kashmir Shaivism. On account of its size and scope it is a veritable encyclopedia of non-dual Shaivism. Why was the *Tantraloka* written? In answer to this question Abhinavagupta tells us that, although in the schools of Kashmir Shaivism there are many wonderful and important ways and methods for attaining the supreme reality, yet in his time not even one was still existing. All of those ways and methods were lost. It is for this reason that he was requested by his colleagues and disciples to create a text that would illuminate and clarify all of these ways and methods of Kashmir Shaivism. To accomplish this, Abhinavagupta composed the *Tantraloka*, a text, which he tells us is filled with the complete explanation of the ways and methods associated with Kashmir Shaivism. That is to say that the philosophical understanding on the level of the intellect might have been existing, but the actual practical means or methods to be used to attain the supreme reality - oneness with Universal Being - to which they all pointed was lost. Abhinavagupta was intent, therefore, to revive the true understanding of these very important teachings, to make the practices that they embodied live again. For what is the use of a map if you have no way to reach the destination? Thus, Abhinavagupta gave us the *Tantraloka* to remedy this situation. The *Tantraloka* is composed of thirty seven chapters (ahnikas). Each chapter has its own distinct topic. In this present volume - chapter one - Abhinavagupta lays the groundwork for the rest of his *Tantraloka*. Here are some of the topics Abhinavagupta examines in the first chapter: - The important Masters of the schools of Kashmir Shaivism. - The differentiated perception of all the means and methods (upayas). - The difference between knowledge, ignorance and liberation. - The essence of what is to be recognized, i.e., the real object to be known. - The oneness of Shiva and His energy (Shakti). - Introduction to the means and methods (upaya) for attaining full and pure knowledge where you perceive your nature as one with the universe. - True liberation in Kashmir Shaivism. - A discussion of the four states of means (upayas). - Three variations of absorption or trance (samavesha) as mentioned in the Malinivijaya Tantra. - The contents of each of the thirty seven chapters of *Tantraloka*.

[The Lotus and the Robot](#) Dumbarton Oaks Research Library & Collection

Written by specialists in several disciplines, this volume explores the parameters and significance of magic in Byzantine society, from the fourth century to after the empire's fall. The authors address a wide variety of questions, some of which are common to all historical research into magic, and some of which are peculiar to the Byzantine context. The authors reveal the scope, the forms, and the functioning of magic in Byzantine society, throwing light on a hitherto relatively little-known aspect of Byzantine culture, and, at the same time, expanding upon the contemporary debates concerning magic and its roles in pre-modern societies.

**The Paper Woman** W W Norton & Company Incorporated

Visit to Godenholm (German: Besuch auf Godenholm) is a 1952 novella by the German writer Ernst Jünger. It tells the story of a group of people who are invited to the island Godenholm in Scandinavia, where they take part in a mind-altering séance with strong surreal imagery. "The light began to crackle, a blue thread rose from the edge of the candelabra. Moltner looked at it first with amazement, then with delight, as if his eyes had gained a new power. Honey-scented smoke rose from thin wicks and then branched out into delicate wreaths. It was as if his imagination had created it - a tapestry of pale sea lilies in a depth that barely rippled with the surge of the waves. Time activated in the structure - encircled it, twisted and curved it, as if imaginary coins were being quickly stacked on top of one another. The multiplicity of space was revealed in the fibrous net, in the nerves stretching the thread in infinite numbers and unfurling vertically."

**Kundalini** State University of New York Press

A study of various aspects of the traditional metaphysical doctrines of the Hindu Tradition, along with extensive book and article reviews

*Overcoming School Refusal* Princeton University Press

Buddhism or Buddhisms? By the time they move on to Buddhism in Japan, many students who have studied its origins in India ask whether this is in fact the same religion, so different can they appear. In *Buddhisms: An Introduction*, Professor John S. Strong provides an overview of the Buddhist

tradition in all its different forms around the world. Beginning at the modern day temples of Lumbini, where the Buddha was born, Strong takes us through the life of the Buddha and a study of Buddhist Doctrine, revealing how Buddhism has changed just as it has stayed the same. Finally, Strong examines the nature of Buddhist community life and its development today in the very different environments of Thailand, Japan, and Tibet. Enriched by the author's own insights gathered over forty years, Buddhism never loses sight of the personal experience amidst the wide-scope of its subject. Clear in its explanations, replete with tables and suggestions for further reading, this is an essential new work that makes original contributions to the study of this 2,500 year-old religion.

**The Starchild Skull -- Genetic Enigma Or Human-Alien Hybrid?** Univ of California Press

This book argues that the understanding and explanation of religion is always historically contingent. Grounded in the work of Bakhtin and Ricoeur, Flood positions the academic study of religion within contemporary debates in the social sciences and humanities concerning modernity and postmodernity, particularly contested issues regarding truth and knowledge. It challenges the view that religions are privileged, epistemic objects, argues for the importance of metatheory, and presents an argument for the dialogical nature of inquiry. The study of religion should begin with language and culture, and this shift in emphasis to the philosophy of the sign in hermeneutics and away from the philosophy of consciousness in phenomenology has far-reaching implications. It means a new ethic of practice which is sensitive to the power relationship in any epistemology; it opens the door to feminist and postcolonial critique, and it provides a methodology which allows for the interface between religious studies, theology, and the social sciences.

*Star Wars Extraordinary Droids* Australian Academic Press

School refusal affects up to 5% of children and is a complex and stressful issue for the child, their family and school. The more time a child is away from school, the more difficult it is for the child to resume normal school life. If school refusal becomes an ongoing issue it can negatively impact the child's social and educational development. Psychologist Joanne Garfi spends most of her working life assisting parents, teachers, school counsellors, caseworkers, and community policing officers on how best to deal with school refusal. Now her experiences and expertise are available in this easy-to-read practical book. *Overcoming School Refusal* helps readers understand this complex issue by explaining exactly what school refusal is and provides them with a range of strategies they can use to assist children in returning to school. Areas covered include: • types of school refusers • why children refuse to go to school • symptoms • short term and long term consequences • accurate assessment • treatment options • what parents can do • what schools can do • dealing with anxious high achievers • how to help children on the autism spectrum with school refusal

[Culture in Context](#) Durham, N.C. : Duke University Press

Ken Wilber's latest book is a daring departure from his previous writings—a highly original work of fiction that combines brilliant scholarship with tongue-in-cheek storytelling to present the integral approach to human development that he expounded in more conventional terms in his recent *A Theory of Everything*. The story of a naïve young grad student in computer science and his quest for meaning in a fragmented world provides the setting in which Wilber contrasts the alienated "flatland" of scientific materialism with the integral vision, which embraces body, mind, soul, and spirit in self, culture, and nature. The book especially targets one of the most stubborn obstacles to realizing the integral vision: a disease of egocentrism and narcissism that Wilber calls "boomeritis" because it seems to plague the baby-boomer generation most of all. Through a series of sparkling seminar-lectures skillfully interwoven with the hero's misadventures in the realms of sex, drugs, and popular culture, all of the major tenets of extreme postmodernism are criticized—and exemplified—including the author's having a bad case of boomeritis himself. Parody, intellectual slapstick, and a mind-twisting surprise ending unite to produce a highly entertaining summary of the work of cutting-edge theorists in human development from around the world.

**California Culture Provinces** Shambhala Publications

Reg Presley has encountered many things in his life—as the lead singer of The Troggs, he has lived the life of a rock star to the full. But nothing he encountered on the road is as strange as the extraterrestrial forces he believes permeate the world in which we live. His notions may seem incredible, but reading this book, you might just find yourself wondering if the faceless authorities who control our lives are letting us know everything—or if there really are wild things they don't tell us.