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**Ancient Wisdom and Modern Science** -  
Stanislav Grof 1984-06-30

A critical reevaluation of ancient spiritual systems long ignored or rejected because of their assumed incompatibility with science. Here are Swami Muktananda on the mind, Swami Prajnananda on Karma, Swami Kripananda on the Kundalini, Joseph Chilton Pearce on spiritual

development, Jack Kornfield on Buddhism for Americans, Claudio Naranjo on meditation, and much more.

**Opening to Inner Light** - Ralph Metzner 1986

**Witchcraft Medicine** - Claudia Müller-Ebeling  
2003-10-01

An in-depth investigation of traditional European

folk medicine and the healing arts of witches • Explores the outlawed “alternative” medicine of witches suppressed by the state and the Church and how these plants can be used today • Reveals that female shamanic medicine can be found in cultures all over the world • Illustrated with color and black-and-white art reproductions dating back to the 16th century Witch medicine is wild medicine. It does more than make one healthy, it creates lust and knowledge, ecstasy and mythological insight. In *Witchcraft Medicine* the authors take the reader on a journey that examines the women who mix the potions and become the healers; the legacy of Hecate; the demonization of nature’s healing powers and sensuousness; the sorceress as shaman; and the plants associated with witches and devils. They explore important seasonal festivals and the plants associated with them, such as wolf’s claw and calendula as herbs of the solstice and alder as an herb of the time of the dead--Samhain or Halloween. They also look at the history of

forbidden medicine from the Inquisition to current drug laws, with an eye toward how the sacred plants of our forebears can be used once again.

*Psychedelic Neuroscience* - Tanya Calvey  
2018-11-21

We are in the midst of what is being called the ‘psychedelic renaissance’ with growing interest into how psychedelics alter consciousness, brain function and brain connectivity. The acute, often profound, effects of the psychedelic experience can induce lasting improvements in mental health demonstrating that chemistry forms the basis of mystical experience, consciousness and mental wellbeing. This volume is a collection of chapters by world leaders in fields of neurobiology, neuropsychiatry, psychology, ethnography and pharmacology, addressing the neurobiological mechanisms of action of various classic and atypical psychedelics, their therapeutic potential as well as the possible risks associated with their use

The Psychopharmacology of Herbal Medicine -  
Marcello Spinella 2001-06-08

A compilation of current scientific knowledge about psychoactive herbal drugs. Virtually all cultures consume drugs from psychoactive plants. Caffeine, for example, is probably the most common stimulant in the world, and many modern medicines, such as morphine and codeine, are derived from plant sources. In these cases, scientific research has revealed the composition of the plants and how they interact with the nervous system. There are also many herbal medications with reputed therapeutic value that have not yet gained acceptance into mainstream medicine, partly because there has not been enough research to support their usefulness. Instead they are regarded as "alternative medicines." This is an active research area, however, and many current studies are focusing on identifying the active components, pharmacological properties, physiological effects, and clinical efficacy of

herbal medicines. This book compiles and integrates the most up-to-date information on the major psychoactive herbal medicines—that is, herbal medicines that alter mind, brain, and behavior. It focuses particularly on the effects on various areas of cognition, including attention, learning, and memory. The book covers all major classes of psychoactive drugs, including stimulants, cognitive enhancers, sedatives and anxiolytics, psychotherapeutic herbs, analgesics and anesthetic plants, hallucinogens, and cannabis.

*Psychedelics and Psychotherapy* - Tim Read  
2021-09-07

- Examines the therapeutic potential of expanded states, underground psychedelic psychotherapy, harm reduction, new approaches for healing individual and collective trauma, and training considerations
- Addresses challenging psychedelic experiences, spiritual emergencies, and the central importance of the therapeutic relationship
- Details the use of cannabis as a

psychedelic tool, spiritual exploration with LSD, micro-dosing with Iboga, and MDMA-assisted psychotherapy for PTSD Exploring the latest developments in the flourishing field of modern psychedelic psycho-therapy, this book shares practical experiences and insights from both elders and newer research voices in the psychedelic research and clinical communities. The contributors examine new findings on safe and skillful work with psychedelic and expanded states for therapeutic, personal, and spiritual growth. They explain the dual process of opening and healing. They explore new approaches for individual inner work as well as for the healing of ancestral and collective trauma. They examine the power of expanded states for reparative attachment work and offer insights on the integration process through the lens of Holotropic Breathwork. The contributors also examine the use of cannabis as a psychedelic tool, spiritual exploration with LSD, microdosing with Iboga, treating depression

with psilocybin, and MDMA-assisted psychotherapy for PTSD. Revealing diverse ways of working with psychedelics in terms of set, setting, and type of substance, the book concludes with discussions of ethics and professional development for those working in the field as well as explores considerations for training the next generation of psychedelic therapists.

[How to Change Your Mind](#) - Michael Pollan  
2019-05-14

Now on Netflix as a 4-part documentary series!  
“Pollan keeps you turning the pages . . .  
clear-eyed and assured.” —New York Times A #1  
New York Times Bestseller, New York Times  
Book Review 10 Best Books of 2018, and New  
York Times Notable Book A brilliant and brave  
investigation into the medical and scientific  
revolution taking place around psychedelic  
drugs--and the spellbinding story of his own life-  
changing psychedelic experiences When Michael  
Pollan set out to research how LSD and

psilocybin (the active ingredient in magic mushrooms) are being used to provide relief to people suffering from difficult-to-treat conditions such as depression, addiction and anxiety, he did not intend to write what is undoubtedly his most personal book. But upon discovering how these remarkable substances are improving the lives not only of the mentally ill but also of healthy people coming to grips with the challenges of everyday life, he decided to explore the landscape of the mind in the first person as well as the third. Thus began a singular adventure into various altered states of consciousness, along with a dive deep into both the latest brain science and the thriving underground community of psychedelic therapists. Pollan sifts the historical record to separate the truth about these mysterious drugs from the myths that have surrounded them since the 1960s, when a handful of psychedelic evangelists inadvertently catalyzed a powerful backlash against what was then a promising field of research. A unique and

elegant blend of science, memoir, travel writing, history, and medicine, *How to Change Your Mind* is a triumph of participatory journalism. By turns dazzling and edifying, it is the gripping account of a journey to an exciting and unexpected new frontier in our understanding of the mind, the self, and our place in the world. The true subject of Pollan's "mental travelogue" is not just psychedelic drugs but also the eternal puzzle of human consciousness and how, in a world that offers us both suffering and joy, we can do our best to be fully present and find meaning in our lives.

**Rhythms of Recovery** - Leslie E. Korn  
2021-09-30

The classic edition of *Rhythms of Recovery* sheds light on rhythm, one of the most important components of our survival and well-being. It governs the patterns of our sleep and respiration and is profoundly tied to our relationships with friends and family. But what happens when these rhythms are disrupted by traumatic

events? Can balance be restored, and if so, how? What insights do eastern, natural, and modern western healing traditions have to offer, and how can practitioners put these lessons to use? Is it possible to do this in a way that's culturally sensitive, multidisciplinary, and grounded in research? *Rhythms of Recovery* examines and answers these questions and provides clinicians with effective, time-tested tools for alleviating the destabilizing effects of traumatic events. It also explores integrative medicine, East/West medicine, herbal medicine, psychedelic medicine, complex trauma, yoga, and somatic and feminist therapies. For practitioners and students interested in integrating the insights of complementary/alternative medicine and 21st-century science, this deeply appealing book is an ideal guide.

**The Commemorative Edition of Pihkal and Tihkal** - Alexander T. Shulgin 2018-09  
Lovingly prepared by Joshua Marker along with a devoted team of volunteers, this

commemorative publication of *PiHKAL: A Chemical Love Story* and *TiHKAL: The Continuation* features the original texts enhanced with complete errata, new essays, anecdotes, and reminiscences by numerous colleagues, previously unpublished photographs, and original art. *PiHKAL* is the fictionalized autobiographical account of Sasha and Ann Shulgin's research and romance, exploring altered state experiences in the context of intimacy. It describes a wide variety of phenethylamines, their dosage, and their effects. The second volume, *TiHKAL*, uses the same format as its predecessor to describe the effects of a range of tryptamines, and continues the Shulgin's chemical love story. It also includes appendices that relate to cactus alkaloids, natural beta-carbolines, and drug law. In this edition, each book has been split into two paperback volumes to make a collection of four, housed in a commemorative slipcase set.

**Aya Awakenings** - Rak Razam 2013-11-05

Experiential journalist Rak Razam sets out to document the thriving business of 21st-century hallucinogenic shamanism starting with a trip to the annual Amazonian Shaman Conference in Iquitos, Peru, where he meets a motley crew of "spiritual tourists," rogue scientists, black magicians, and indigenous and Western healers and guides, all in town to partake of the ritual--and the medicine--of ayahuasca, "the vine of souls." Combining his personal story with the history of Amazonian shamanism, Razam takes the reader along on an entertaining, enlightening adventure. In areas of Brazil, Ecuador, and Peru, the traditional herbal brew known as ayahuasca or yajé is legally used to heal physical ailments and to cleanse and purify the spirit by connecting it to the web of life. Sting and Tori Amos have admitted sampling it in Latin America, as has Paul Simon, who chronicled the experience in his song "Spirit Voices." *Aya Awakenings* works as a cautionary tale, a travelogue, and a memoir, but primarily

acts as a portal through which readers are able to gain more information about the perils and the promise of spiritual reconnection through ayahuasca. "A memorable--and deeply personal--journey into the hearts and minds of those who carry on the shamanic traditions of ayahuasca."--Rick Doblin, founder of the Multidisciplinary Association of Psychedelic Studies (MAPS)  
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When the Impossible Happens - Stanislav Grof  
2006-04-01

Feelings of oneness with other people, nature, and the universe. Encounters with extraterrestrials, deities, and demons. Out-of-body experiences and past-life memories. Science casts a skeptical eye. But Dr. Stanislav Grof—the psychiatric researcher who cofounded transpersonal psychology—believes otherwise. *When the Impossible Happens* presents Dr. Grof's mesmerizing firsthand account of over 50 years of inquiry into waters uncharted by classical psychology, one that will leave readers questioning the very fabric of our existence. From his first LSD session that gave him a glimpse of cosmic consciousness to his latest work with Holotropic Breathwork, *When the Impossible Happens* will amaze readers with vivid explorations of topics such as: Temptations of a Non-Local Universe—experiments in astral

projection Praying Mantis in Manhattan and other tales of synchronicity Trailing Clouds of Glory—remembering birth and prenatal life Dying and Beyond—survival of consciousness after death *When the Impossible Happens* is an incredible opportunity to journey beyond ordinary consciousness, guaranteed to shake the foundations of what we assume to be reality, and sure to offer a new vision of our human potential.

*Therapeutic Use of Medicinal Plants and their Extracts: Volume 2* - A.N.M. Alamgir 2018-06-23  
This book starts with a general introduction to phytochemistry, followed by chapters on plant constituents, their origins and chemistry, but also discussing animal-, microorganism- and mineral-based drugs. Further chapters cover vitamins, food additives and excipients as well as xenobiotics and poisons. The book also explores the herbal approach to disease management and molecular pharmacognosy and introduces methods of qualitative and quantitative analysis

of plant constituents. Phytochemicals are classified as primary (e.g. carbohydrates, lipids, amino acid derivations, etc.) or secondary (e.g. alkaloids, terpenes and terpenoids, phenolic compounds, glycosides, etc.) metabolites according to their metabolic route of origin, chemical structure and function. A wide variety of primary and secondary phytochemicals are present in medicinal plants, some of which are active phytomedicines and some of which are pharmaceutical excipients.

**The Manual of Psychedelic Support** - Annie Oak 2017-05

The Manual of Psychedelic Support is a new harm reduction resource providing a comprehensive overview of how people can provide compassionate care to people undergoing difficult psychedelic experiences during large-scale music festivals and events. This second edition of MOPS features an interactive in-the-field workbook with ruled scholar's margins for note-taking. The book is

packed with full-color photographs depicting alternative festival culture and its psychoactive drugs of choice. It also showcases dozens of beautiful visionary artworks from fifteen contemporary psychedelic artists. New to this edition is a 46-page "Guide to Drug Effects and Interactions" which summarizes notable contraindications between different classes of psychoactive drugs. A quick-reference Index to those substances commonly encountered at music festivals and similar events is provided.

A Study of Olmec Iconography - Peter David Joralemon 1971

*Lucys Rausch* - Nachtschatten Verlag  
2018-11-02

Lucys beleuchtet die interdisziplinäre Thematik rund um sämtliche psychoaktiven Drogen aus verschiedensten Blickwinkeln - in Form von Reportagen, Interviews, Berichten, Features und Bildern. Neue Entwicklungen, Kunst, Musik und Literatur gehören ebenso zum Spektrum, wie

Drogenpolitik und Konsumgewohnheiten von damals bis heute. Mit Artikeln zu diesen Themen: - Christian Rätsch über die erste Ayahuasca-Oper Orfeo chaman - Dendrobium nobile: Eine psychoaktive Orchidee - Cannabis und Terpene: Michael Knodt - Erfahrungen mit CBD - Wolf-Dieter Storl: Titanische Illusionen - Psychedelische Kunst: Martina Hoffmann - Psychonaut, Pionier und Poet: Hans Plomp im Interview

**The Secret Chief** - Myron J. Stolaroff  
1997-10-01

**Tryptamine Palace** - James Oroc 2009-05-21  
A journey from Burning Man to the Akashic Field that suggest how 5-MeO-DMT triggers the human capacity for higher knowledge through direct contact with the zero-point field •  
Examines Bufo alvarius toad venom, which contains the potent natural psychedelic 5-MeO-DMT, and explores its entheogenic use •  
Proposes a new connection between the findings

of modern physics and the knowledge held by shamans and religious sages for millennia The venom from Bufo alvarius, an unusual toad found in the Sonoran desert, contains 5-MeO-DMT, a potent natural chemical similar in effect to the more common entheogen DMT. The venom can be dried into a powder, which some researchers speculate was used ceremonially by Amerindian shamans. When smoked it prompts an instantaneous break with the physical world that causes out-of-body experiences completely removed from the conventional dimensions of reality. In Tryptamine Palace, James Oroc shares his personal experiences with 5-MeODMT, which led to a complete transformation of his understanding of himself and of the very fabric of reality. Driven to comprehend the transformational properties of this substance, Oroc combined extensive studies of physics and philosophy with the epiphanies he gained from his time at Burning Man. He discovered that ingesting tryptamines unlocked a fundamental

human capacity for higher knowledge through direct contact with the zero-point field of modern physics, known to the ancients as the Akashic Field. In the quantum world of nonlocal interactions, the line between the physical and the mental dissolves. 5-MeO-DMT, Oroc argues, can act as a means to awaken the remarkable capacities of the human soul as well as restore experiential mystical spirituality to Western civilization.

*Higher Wisdom* - Roger N. Walsh 2005-09-01  
From the Back Cover: Psychedelics have been a part-often a central and sacred part-of most societies throughout history, and for half a century psychedelics have rumbled through the Western world, seeding a subculture, titillating the media, fascinating youth, terrifying parents, enraging politicians, and intriguing researchers. Not surprisingly, these curious chemicals fascinated some of the foremost thinkers of the twentieth century, fourteen of whom were interviewed for this book. Because no further

human research can be done, these researchers constitute an irreplaceable resource. Higher Wisdom offers their fascinating anecdotes, invaluable knowledge, and hard-won wisdom-the culmination of fifty years of research and reflection on one of the most intriguing and challenging topics of our time.

**Chemical Cowboys** - Lisa Sweetingham  
2010-06-22

In 1995, after receiving a tip from an informant that a new drug called Ecstasy was being pushed in Manhattan's nightclubs, DEA agent Robert Gagne embarked on a mission to unravel one of the world's most lucrative drug-trafficking networks. Chemical Cowboys tracks Gagne as he infiltrates New York's club scene, uncovering a multimillion-dollar criminal empire that spans continents. At its helm is Oded "Fat Man" Tuito, an Israeli fugitive and elusive drug kingpin who combines Wall Street business savvy with old-fashioned street smarts and a taste for violence. A taut behind-the-scenes glimpse into an

international criminal enterprise, *Chemical Cowboys* is a riveting tale of one man's obsessive pursuit of justice—and the personal cost of that obsession.

**Hallucinogens and Culture** - Peter T. Furst  
1976

"This book is an introduction to some of the hallucinogenic drugs in their cultural and historical context, stressing their important role in religion, ritual, magic and curing".--  
BOOKJACKET.

*Anadenanthera* - Constantino M Torres  
2014-06-11

A multidisciplinary study of pre-Columbian South America—centering on the psychoactive plant genus *Anadenanthera* As cultures formed and evolved in pre-Columbian South America, *Anadenanthera* became one of the most widely used shamanic inebriants. *Anadenanthera: Visionary Plant of Ancient South America* is more than a comprehensive reference on shamanic visionary substances; it is a useful tool

for archeologists and pre-Columbian art historians. This thorough book examines the ritual and cultural use of *Anadenanthera* from prehistory to the present, along with its botany, chemistry, pharmacology, anthropology, and archeology. The earliest evidence for the use of psychoactive plants in South America is provided by remains of seeds and pods recovered from archeological sites four millennia old. Various preparations were derived from it with the intent of being a shamanic inebriant. Inhaled through the nose, smoked in pipes or as cigars, and prepared in fermented drinks, *Anadenanthera* served a central role in the cultural development of indigenous societies in South America. *Anadenanthera: Visionary Plant of Ancient South America* explores the full spectrum of information gleaned from research, covering numerous archeological sites in the Andean region, as well as discussing Amazonian shamanic rituals and lore. Analyses of the artistic expressions within the decorations of

associated ceremonial paraphernalia such as ritual snuffing tubes and snuff trays are included. The text is richly illustrated with photographs and images of decorated ritual implements, and provides a comprehensive bibliography. *Anadenanthera: Visionary Plant of Ancient South America* explores: botanical aspects, taxonomy, and geographical distribution of *Anadenanthera* ethnographical, historical, and traditional aspects of *Anadenanthera* use chemical and pharmacological investigations of the genus and the various visionary preparations derived from it—with emphasis on the biologically active constituents theories of the mechanisms of action of the active tryptamines and carboline alkaloids comparisons of wood anatomy, morphology, and percentage of alkaloid content evaluation of stylistic and iconographic traits *Anadenanthera: Visionary Plant of Ancient South America* is a thorough, useful resource for archeologists, anthropologists, chemists,

researchers, pre-Columbian art historians, and any layperson interested in pre-Columbian art, archeology, or visionary plants.

**The Secret Life of Water** - Masaru Emoto  
2011-07-05

From its arrival on earth to the vast areas it traverses before emptying into the sea, water holds all the knowledge and experience it has acquired. As phenomenal as it may seem, water carries its whole history, just as we carry ours. It carries secrets, too. In *The Secret Life of Water*, bestselling author Masaru Emoto guides us along water's remarkable journey through our planet and continues his work to reveal water's secret life to humankind. He shows how we can apply its wisdom to our own lives, and how, by learning to respect and appreciate water, we can better confront the challenges that face the twenty-first century—and rejuvenate the planet.

**Autobillography** - Bill Robinson 2011-09-16  
Autobiography of the colorful life and times of Dr. Bill Robinson, including adventures in prep

school, kayaking, psychedelic explorations of inner space, five years in prison, building an experiment in instrumental transcommunication, composing exotic classical music, and getting a doctorate in plasma physics.

*Plant Medicines, Healing and Psychedelic Science* - Beatriz Caiuby Labate 2018-04-28

This is a book about the intersections of three dimensions. The first is the way social scientists and historians treat the history of psychiatry and healing, especially as it intersects with psychedelics. The second encompasses a reflection on the substances themselves and their effects on bodies. The third addresses traditional healing, as it circles back to our understanding of drugs and psychiatry. The chapters explore how these dimensions are distinct, but deeply intertwined, themes that offer important insights into contemporary healing practices. The intended audience of the volume is large and diverse: neuroscientists, biologists, medical doctors, psychiatrists,

psychologists; mental health professionals interested in the therapeutic application of psychedelic substances, or who work with substance abuse, depression, anxiety, and PTSD; patients and practitioners of complementary and alternative medicine; ethnobotanists and ethnopharmacologists; lawyers, criminologists, and other specialists in international law working on matters related to drug policy and human rights, as well as scholars of religious studies, anthropologists, sociologists, and historians; social scientists concerned both with the history of science, medicine, and technology, and concepts of health, illness, and healing. It has a potentially large international audience, especially considering the increasing interest in “psychedelic science” and the growing spread of the use of traditional psychoactives in the West.

**Birth of a Psychedelic Culture** - Ram Dass 2010

No understanding of the history of the sixties could be complete without a grasp of the work of

Leary, Alpert, and Metzner, the cultural resistance to their experiments, and the way in which psychoactive drug use became a part of contemporary society. Next Generation Independent Book Awards Finalist, *Birth of a Psychedelic Culture* explores these experiments and their cultural milieu through never before seen photographs, personal accounts of authors Ralph Metzner and Ram Dass, and conversations with luminaries such as Aldous Huxley, Charles Mingus, Allen Ginsberg, William Burroughs and others that appeared on the scene.

### **Bufo alvarius and the entheogenic**

**experience** - Gerardo Sandoval 2020-06-16

El libro despliega la experiencia del médico Gerardo Sandoval y el camino que emprendió en el consumo de sustancias enteogénicas hasta encontrar el 5meoDMT. Es esta variedad triptamínica mediante la que actualmente el autor celebra la sanación clínica, espiritual y de las sociedades, práctica que eventualmente le ha convertido en promotor de la psiconáutica y

activista del sapo del desierto de Sonora y su hábitat. Con prólogo de Martin W. Ball, en complemento al argumento central, la publicación incluye fragmentos de texto de autores que perfilan el discernimiento y argumentación del autor; una descripción y clasificación de cada sustancia psicoactiva mencionada en los contenidos; la tabla clasificatoria de las sustancias psicodélicas de Alex Shulgin; el folleto de Albert Most, difundido en los años 80's, uno de los primeros documentos en torno al sapo del desierto de Sonora; además de bibliografía recomendada. *Chatterbox* - John Erskine Clarke 2019-03-26  
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Psychedelic Notebook - Fungi Love 2019-11-04  
Grab this amazing Psychedelic Notebook for yourself or someone who love smoking weed, DMT, taking ayahuasca, LSD magic mushrooms and other psychedelics. The paperback notebook consists of 120 pages, size 6x9 inches.- 6x9

Notebook- 120 Pages Count- Paperback Cover  
*Gimme Indie Rock* - Andrew Earles 2014-09-15  
"Music journalist Andrew Earles provides a rundown of 500 landmark albums recorded and released by bands of the indie rock genre"--

**Entheogens and the Future of Religion** - Robert Forte 2012-01-25

A study of the importance of psychedelic plants and drugs in religion and society • With contributions by Albert Hofmann, R. Gordon Wasson, Jack Kornfield, Terence McKenna, the Shulgins, Rick Strassman, and others • Explores the importance of academic and religious freedom in the study of psychedelics and the mind • Exposes the need for an organized spiritual context for entheogen use in order to fully realize their transformative and sacred value We live in a time when a great many voices are calling for a spiritual renewal to address the problems that face humanity, yet the way of entheogens--one of the oldest and most widespread means of attaining a religious

experience--is forbidden, surrounded by controversy and misunderstanding. Widely employed in traditional shamanic societies, entheogens figure prominently in the origins of religion and their use continues today throughout the world. They alter consciousness in such a profound way that, depending on the set and setting, they can produce the ultimate human experiences: union with God or revelation of other mystical realities. With contributions by Albert Hofmann, Terence McKenna, Ann and Alexander Shulgin, Thomas Riedlinger, Dale Pendell, and Rick Strassman as well as interviews with R. Gordon Wasson and Jack Kornfield, this book explores ancient and modern uses of psychedelic drugs, emphasizing the complementary relationship between science and mystical experience and the importance of psychedelics to the future of religion and society. Revealing the mystical-religious possibilities of substances such as psilocybin mushrooms, mescaline, and LSD, this book

exposes the vital need for developing an organized spiritual context for their use in order to fully realize their transformative and sacred value. Stressing the importance of academic and religious freedom, the authors call for a revival of scientific and religious inquiry into entheogens so they may be used safely and legally by those seeking to cultivate their spiritual awareness.

Psychology of the Future - Stanislav Grof  
2019-03-28

Summarizes Grof's experiences and observations from more than forty years of research into non-ordinary states of consciousness. Summarizes Grof's experiences and observations from more than forty years of research into non-ordinary states of consciousness. This accessible and comprehensive overview of the work of Stanislav Grof, one of the founders of transpersonal psychology, was specifically written to acquaint newcomers with his work. Serving as a summation of his career and previous works,

this entirely new book is the source to introduce Grof's enormous contributions to the fields of psychiatry and psychology, especially his central concept of holotropic experience, where holotropic signifies "moving toward wholeness." Grof maintains that the current basic assumptions and concepts of psychology and psychiatry require a radical revision based on the intensive and systematic research of holotropic experience. He suggests that a radical inner transformation of humanity and a rise to a higher level of consciousness might be humankind's only real hope for the future. "It's rare to find a textbook that is both extremely informative and enjoyable to read. Psychology of the Future has to be one of the first ones I've ever come across ... Each chapter brought an entirely new concept, theory, or method that was just as engaging as the previous one." — Dr. Tami Brady, TCM Reviews "This book is by a pioneering genius in consciousness research. It presents the full spectrum of Grof's ideas, from

his earliest mappings of using LSD psychotherapy, to his clinical work with people facing death, to his more recent work with holotropic breathing, to his latest thoughts about the cosmological implications of consciousness research and the prospects for dealing with an emerging planetary crisis. Grof has always been one of the most original thinkers in the transpersonal field, and his creativity has kept pace with the maturity of his overall vision." -- Michael Washburn, author of Transpersonal Psychology in Psychoanalytic Perspective "Grof offers an outstanding contribution to the ever-growing debate about the nature of human consciousness and about the place of humankind in the cosmos. If more psychiatrists could be persuaded that human consciousness transcends the limitations of the physical brain, and instead is but an aspect of what may best be described as 'cosmic consciousness,' we could not only expect treatment modalities to change, but we could also anticipate the possibility of culture-

wide rethinking of the basic presuppositions of modern cosmology, the cosmology that grounds Western institutions, ideologies, and beliefs about the nature of personhood." -- Michael E. Zimmerman, author of *Contesting Earth's Future: Radical Ecology and Postmodernity*

Stanislav Grof, MD, is a psychiatrist with more than fifty years of experience in research of non-ordinary states of consciousness. He has been Principal Investigator in a psychedelic research program at the Psychiatric Research Institute in Prague, Czechoslovakia; Chief of Psychiatric Research at the Maryland Psychiatric Research Center; Assistant Professor of Psychiatry at the Johns Hopkins University; and Scholar-in-Residence at the Esalen Institute. He is currently Professor of Psychology at the California Institute of Integral Studies, conducts professional training programs in holotropic breathwork, and gives lectures and seminars worldwide. He is one of the founders and chief theoreticians of transpersonal psychology and

the founding president of the International Transpersonal Association (ITA). In 2007, he was granted the prestigious Vision 97 award from the Vaclav and Dagmar Havel Foundation in Prague. He is the author and editor of many books, including *The Adventure of Self-Discovery: Dimensions of Consciousness and New Perspectives in Psychotherapy and Inner Exploration*; *Ancient Wisdom and Modern Science*; *Beyond the Brain: Bi*

*The Secret of Water* - Masaru Emoto 2011-09-13

Dr. Masaru Emoto's stunning water-crystal photographs have enchanted millions of people in his many books. His groundbreaking work has shown that thoughts and words have a direct effect on water- crystal formation, and since our bodies are mostly water, our thoughts and words certainly affect not only ourselves but the world around us. In *The Secret of Water*, Dr. Emoto brings water's message of love, peace, and hope to the next generation in his first children's book. Entertaining and educational, this book

offers an understanding of water that will encourage parents and children alike to value and give thanks to our most precious resource. In 2003 the United Nations proclaimed the years 2005 to 2015 as its International Water for Life Decade, which urges citizens of the world to take individual responsibility to learn all about water. In a time wrought with environmental catastrophes and natural disasters, *The Secret of Water* shows the necessity of protecting water and offers a message of hope and empowerment. Help us shift consciousness

*DMT and the Soul of Prophecy* - Rick Strassman  
2014-09-18

Naturally occurring DMT may produce prophecy-like states of consciousness and thus represent a bridge between biology and religious experience • Reveals the striking similarities between the visions of the Hebrew prophets and the DMT state described by Strassman's research volunteers • Explains how prophetic and psychedelic states may share biological

mechanisms • Presents a new top-down "theoneurological" model of spiritual experience After completing his groundbreaking research chronicled in *DMT: The Spirit Molecule*, Rick Strassman was left with one fundamental question: What does it mean that DMT, a simple chemical naturally found in all of our bodies, instantaneously opens us to an interactive spirit world that feels more real than our own world? When his decades of clinical psychiatric research and Buddhist practice were unable to provide answers to this question, Strassman began searching for a more resonant spiritual model. He found that the visions of the Hebrew prophets--such as Ezekiel, Moses, Adam, and Daniel--were strikingly similar to those of the volunteers in his DMT studies. Carefully examining the concept of prophecy in the Hebrew Bible, he characterizes a "prophetic state of consciousness" and explains how it may share biological and metaphysical mechanisms with the DMT effect. Examining medieval

commentaries on the Hebrew Bible, Strassman reveals how Jewish metaphysics provides a top-down model for both the prophetic and DMT states, a model he calls “theoneurology.” Theoneurology bridges biology and spirituality by proposing that the Divine communicates with us using the brain, and DMT--whether naturally produced or ingested--is a critical factor in such visionary experience. This model provides a counterpoint to “neurotheology,” which proposes that altered brain function simply generates the impression of a Divine-human encounter. Theoneurology addresses issues critical to the full flowering of the psychedelic drug experience. Perhaps even more important, it points the way to a renewal of classical prophetic consciousness, the soul of Hebrew Bible prophecy, as well as unexpected directions for the evolution of contemporary spiritual practice.

The Psychedelic Experience - Timothy Leary  
2022-07-26

Years after the Summer of Love, the promise of the psychoactive 1960s—that deeper self-awareness and greater harmony can be achieved through reality-bending substances and practices—is close to becoming a mainstream phenomenon. The signs are everywhere, from a renewed interest in the therapeutic effects of LSD to the popularity of ayahuasca trips and the annual spectacle of Burning Man. The Psychedelic Experience, created by the prophetic shaman-professors Timothy Leary, Ralph Metzner, and Richard Alpert (Ram Dass), is a foundational text that serves as a model and a guide for all subsequent mind-expanding inquiries. Based on a unique interpretation of The Tibetan Book of the Dead, The Psychedelic Experience remains a vital testament to broadening spiritual consciousness through a combination of Tibetan meditation techniques and psychotropic substances. For a new generation seeking the trip of a lifetime, The Psychedelic Experience is the essential

guidebook to getting there.

### **The Encyclopedia of Psychoactive Plants -**

Christian Rätsch 2005-04-25

The most comprehensive guide to the botany, history, distribution, and cultivation of all known psychoactive plants • Examines 414

psychoactive plants and related substances •

Explores how using psychoactive plants in a culturally sanctioned context can produce important insights into the nature of reality •

Contains 797 color photographs and 645 black-and-white illustrations In the traditions of every culture, plants have been highly valued for their nourishing, healing, and transformative properties. The most powerful plants--those known to transport the human mind into other dimensions of consciousness--have traditionally been regarded as sacred. In *The Encyclopedia of Psychoactive Plants* Christian Rätsch details the botany, history, distribution, cultivation, and preparation and dosage of more than 400 psychoactive plants. He discusses their ritual

and medicinal usage, cultural artifacts made from these plants, and works of art that either represent or have been inspired by them. The author begins with 168 of the most well-known psychoactives--such as cannabis, datura, and papaver--then presents 133 lesser known substances as well as additional plants known as "legal highs," plants known only from mythological contexts and literature, and plant products that include substances such as ayahuasca, incense, and soma. The text is lavishly illustrated with 797 color photographs--many of which are from the author's extensive fieldwork around the world--showing the people, ceremonies, and art related to the ritual use of the world's sacred psychoactives.

*Lucy's Rausch* - Nachtschatten Verlag  
2019-04-30

Bitte hier klicken... Lucys beleuchtet die interdisziplinäre Thematik rund um sämtliche psychoaktiven Drogen aus verschiedensten Blickwinkeln - in Form von Reportagen,

Interviews, Berichten, Features und Bildern. Neue Entwicklungen, Kunst, Musik und Literatur gehören ebenso zum Spektrum, wie Drogenpolitik und Konsumgewohnheiten von damals bis heute. Mit Artikeln zu diesen Themen: - Jeremy Narby über das Phänomen des Rauschs - Essay über Ayahuasca-Philosophie - Herr der Blotter: Mark McCloud über LSD-Kunst - Ralph Metzners Alchemistische Divination - Ethnobotanik der Artemisia-Arten - Extraktion von Cannabis - Teil 3 der Serie "Drogen auf Reisen" - Berauschte Götter: The Young Gods im Interview

Toad and the Jaguar a Field Report of Underground Research on a Visionary Medicine

- Ralph Metzner 2013-12

ABOUT THE BOOK In this monograph the author relates findings from more than 30 years of experiences and observations with Bufo alvarius and 5-methoxy-dimethyltryptamine, in various user groups and individuals, both in the US and in Europe. The term underground is

used in referring to the explorations with these substances, in the sense that they were hidden - out of respect for the restrictions and prohibitions of mainstream culture. These are ethnographic field reports, first-hand observations from an underground sub-culture, accompanied by the experiences of a selected number of participant-observers. It is important to recognize that in research with these and other so-called psychedelic or entheogenic substances, one cannot limit the observations and reflections solely to their physical and psychological effects. As most of the people cited here emphasize, the experiences with these substances at times can go far beyond their physical and psychological effects into the deepest and highest dimensions of our existence, both the cosmic and the spiritual. ABOUT THE AUTHOR Ralph Metzner, Ph.D., received his undergraduate degree at Oxford University and his doctorate in clinical psychology at Harvard University, where he was also the recipient of an

NIMH Post-doctoral Fellowship in psychopharmacology at the Harvard Medical School. He collaborated with Timothy Leary and Richard Alpert in the studies of psychedelic drugs and co-authored *The Psychedelic Experience*. He is a psychotherapist and Professor Emeritus at the California Institute of Integral Studies, where he taught for 30 years. He has a life-long interest in the many different realms of consciousness and its modifications. He is the author of *The Well of Remembrance*, *The Unfolding Self*, *Green Psychology*, *Birth of a Psychedelic Culture* (with Ram Dass); editor of two collections of essays on ayahuasca and on psilocybe mushrooms; and author of a new series of seven books on *The Ecology of Consciousness*.

### **How Psychedelics Can Help Save the World -**

Stephen Gray 2022-11-29

- With contributions from Christopher Bache, Zoe Helene, Dennis McKenna, Martina Hoffmann, The Dank Duchess, Jamie Wheal,

Grandmother Maria Alice, and others • Explores the immense healing intelligence of nature, the wisdom of ancient Indigenous prophecies and shamanic practices, the importance of the Divine Feminine for environmental regeneration, and the crucial role of psychedelic and entheogenic plants in initiating transformations of consciousness Exploring the way forward for humanity in the face of unprecedented crisis, more than 25 contributors show how the wisdom of Indigenous peoples and the power of psychedelics can help us enact the radical shift in consciousness necessary to navigate the collapse of the old world order and the birth of a new consciousness. We hear from psychedelic visionaries Christopher Bache, Zoe Helene, Wade Davis, Chris Kilham, Laurel Sugden, and others on the promise of psychedelic medicines for spiritual and healing work. We learn about Indigenous stories to support our transformation from Native American leader Solana Booth, ancestral memory from Grandmother Maria

Alice Campos Freire, cannabis's role in world building from Minelli Eustàcio-Costa, the ritual roots of talking plants from Michael Stuart Ani, and alchemy across the arc of time from shaman Ya'Acov Darling Khan. We also hear from cannabis grower The Dank Duchess; Tyson Yunkaporta, Australian Aboriginal artist and scholar; visionary artist Martina Hoffmann; activist Duane Elgin; Kohenet Rachel Kann, ordained Jewish priestess and ceremonialist; and several other wise leaders for our time.

Throughout these profound essays we are reminded of the immense healing intelligence of our plant allies, of the wisdom of shamanic practices, of the importance of the Divine Feminine for environmental regeneration, and of the crucial role of entheogenic plants in initiating transformations of consciousness and healing our world's collective disconnection from Spirit.

Handbook of Medical Hallucinogens - Charles S. Grob 2021-01-29

This handbook reviews promising applications of psychedelics in treatment of such challenging psychiatric problems as posttraumatic stress disorder, major depression, substance use disorders, and end-of-life anxiety. Experts from multiple disciplines synthesize current knowledge on psilocybin, MDMA, ketamine, and other medical hallucinogens. The volume comprehensively examines these substances' neurobiological mechanisms, clinical effects, therapeutic potential, risks, and anthropological and historical contexts. Coverage ranges from basic science to practical clinical considerations, including patient screening and selection, dosages and routes of administration, how psychedelic-assisted sessions are structured and conducted, and management of adverse reactions.

**The Toad at Dawn** - Octavio Rettig Hinojosa 2016

"The Toad of Dawn is the dramatic story of how Dr. Octavio Rettig Hinojosa - a Mexican doctor

with a crack cocaine addiction - came to heal himself by employing an ancient "treasure" almost forgotten for centuries;- Bufo alvarius (the Sonoran Desert toad). Under the auspices of the United Nations Venezuela Association, Dr. Rettig has traveled extensively throughout the world and shared 5-MeO-DMT, a secretion of the Sonoran Desert toad, with over 6000 people, eliminating chemical addictions, depression, anxiety disorders, insomnia, bronchitis, and trauma. Dr. Rettig's research has convinced him that the medicine of the Sonoran toad - which,

under the guidance of an experienced shaman or medicine man, can be harnessed for healing, awakening, and raising consciousness - has been known and used by high priests of the Mayan, Aztec, Olmec, and other Mesoamerican civilizations. Part autobiography, part introduction to entheogens and visionary substances, The Toad of Dawn gives an overview of the history, use, and the benefits of the toad medicine, and reveals how it can be used to initiate people on a spiritual path"--