

NEWSLETTER & CATALOG



by Pat Rockwell

Pat Rockwell is a co-founder of Snow Lion Publications and Project Administrator for the Tibetan Nuns Project. After working with the Tibetans for over twenty years and with the Nuns Project for seven, she was finally able to visit Dharamsala. This is an email journal of some of her experiences during her stay.

Sunday, July 18

On my way-20+ hours on a plane! I'm in Singapore now at a Cybercafe. On the way to Hong Kong I watched the movie The Matrix for the second

Above photo: Gaden Choeling nuns at mealtime

time. Little did I know that this movie would become the paradigm of awakening for me, as science fiction has done through so much of my life. When I first saw this movie I was moved somewhere inside so deeply. When I start to think about how it is we know what we know in our experience of the world, the internal doors start opening. I stepped out of that movie convinced that I could, and would, change my life. It wasn't until I saw the movie on the plane for the second time that I realized that I was doing precisely that. This movie is one of the reasons I am on this trip.

Hong Kong looks like a beautiful city. There were all kinds of fishing boats in the bay by the city and the mountains around made it all look so magical. Plus it was FOGGY!

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I'll be in Singapore for seven more hours, but I'm too tired to try to deal with taking an excursion outside of the airport. It's a little dicey time-wise anyway. It is hot and humid here, I must say. Then I leave for New Delhi and the eight-hour taxi ride to Dharamsala. Betsy says it's rainy, rainy. So, I probably won't be doing much hiking around.

So, I guess I'll go wander or fall asleep in a corner somewhere. I'll email again once I'm in Dharmasala.

Tuesday, July 20

I arrived in Delhi in the dark of night. Walking out of the airport into the mass of people, many of whom tried to come up and take my luggage. I was so grateful that the Nuns Project had arranged for a taxi to come get me. Yes, there's the sign with my name on it. Two young men help me get my stuff into the van, and I, like a little child, just stare out the window at a world unlike any I have ever experienced.

The ride to the nunnery was quite the experience. It had rained like crazy and the roads were horrendous. There were landslides and washedout roads. It took twelve hours to drive to Dharamsala. By the time I got there I was fairly incoherent. I was greeted by Lhamo Choedon, the administrator for the Nuns Project office in India, with whom I have had an email relationship for a number of years. It is so good to finally meet her. She is very gracious, gets me tea and cookies and lets me sleep.

Friday, July 23

I've been working on the database for three days now. It's going to take the entire time I'm here to really get it all together. The offices are in the front part of the nunnery. The housing blocks are beautiful, aesthetically calming, and there are flowers growing everywhere. There are still two housing blocks to finish, a teacher's quarters, the temple, and His

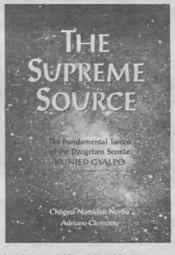
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THE SUPREME SOURCE

The Fundamental Tantra of Dzogchen Semde



by Chogyal Namkhai Norbu & Adriano Clemente 325 pp. #SUSO \$19.95

The aim of Dzogchen is the reawakening of the individual to the primordial state of enlightenment which is naturally found in all beings. The master introduces the student to his or her real nature, already perfected and enlightened, but it is only by recognizing this nature and remaining in this state of recognition in all daily activities that the student becomes a real Dzogchen practitioner of the direct path of self-liberation. The Dzogchen practitioner is aware of the absolute clarity and purity of his or her own mind and, without trying to modify what is already perfect in itself, without striving to obtain from somewhere else the state of realization, remains always in the real nature of existence, in the supreme source of all phenomena. "Those who try to meditate and to realize this condition through effort

are like a blind man chasing the sky." In this book, the Dzogchen teaching is presented through one of its

most ancient texts, the tantra Kunjed Gyalpo or "The King who Creates Everything"-a personification of the primordial state of enlightenment. This tantra is the fundamental scripture of the Semde or "Nature of Mind" tradition of Dzogchen and is the most authoritative source for understanding the Dzogchen view. The oral commentary by Chogyal Namkhai Norbu gives easier insight into the depths of these teachings from a practical point of view. Adriano Clemente translated the main selections of the original tantra. The Supreme Source will be of great interest to all students of Tibetan Buddhism

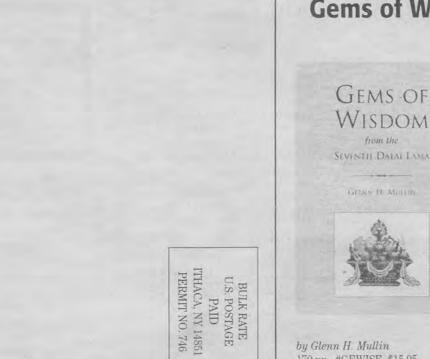
The following is an excerpt from the book.

Dzogchen Atiyoga

With atiyoga we reach the culmination of the paths of realization: Dzogchen, or "total perfection," whose characteristic path, being based on the knowledge of self-liberation, does not entail any more transformation. In fact, when we understand the principle of self-liberation, we come to recognize that not even the method of transformation of tantra is the ultimate path. The fundamental point of the practice of Dzogchen, called tregchöd or "release of tension," is to relax in the state of contemplation, while the way to remain in this state is called chogshag, "leaving as it is."

Doing a visualization, a practice of transformation of impure vision into a ma~ala etc., means "constructing" something, working with the mind, whereas in the state of contemplation, body, voice, and mind are totally relaxed, and it must indispensably be this way. A term used very frequently in Dzogchen is machöpa, "not corrected," or "not altered," whereas transformation means correcting,

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Gems of Wisdom from the Seventh Dalai Lama

The Seventh Dalai Lama (1708-1757) stands as one of the most beloved Buddhist masters in Tibet's long and illustrious history.

One of his most popular works is Gems of Wisdom, a collection of spontaneous short verses that employ earthy metaphors to illustrate key points in the enlightenment tradition. His language is simple and direct, capturing the profound spirituality of his vision while avoiding any form of religiosity. Here we find all the teachings of the Buddha brought into the context of their implications for individual transformation, or "training of the mind."

This volume presents a translation of this important text and also provides a brief commentary which elucidates the quintessential meanings embedded in the Seventh Dalai Lama's verses.

Glenn H. Mullin studied Tantric Buddhism in the Himalayas for

twelve years, and has over a dozen books in print. In addition to his writings, he has co-produced numerous recordings of Tibetan sacred music, and also worked on three featurelength documentary films and four television productions related to Tibetan Buddhism.

Here are a few excerpts from Gems of Wisdom.

What is the body odor easy to acquire but hard to lose? Habits picked up from people whose lives are far from spiritual ways.

Buddhism regards the human world as a training ground for the enlightenment process. Living beings take rebirth here in order to learn and evolve. The conditions of the human environment change with the millennia in order to suit the needs of the trainees. Those riding the winds of positive karma are born as humans

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considering that there is impure vision on one side and pure vision on the other. Thus, all that is necessary to enter into the state of contemplation is to relax, and there is no need of any transformation practice. Some people believe that Dzogchen is only the final phase of tantric practice, rather like the Mah mudro of the modern tradition, but this is because the arrival point of the path of anuyoga, too, is called Dzogchen. In reality, Dzogchen atiyoga is a path complete in itself, and, as already mentioned above, is not dependent on the methods of the path of transformation.

When we follow the Dzogchen teaching, if we have sufficient capacity, we can start directly with the practice of contemplation. The only really indispensable thing is the practice of guru yoga or "unification with the state of the teacher," because it is from the teacher that we receive the direct introduction to knowledge.

The original atiyoga tantras, such as the Kunjed Gyalpo, often assert that the characteristic feature of

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Dzogchen is the absence of the ten requisites of the practice of Tantra: initiation, mantra, mandala, visualization, and so on. Why are they absent in Dzogchen? Because they are ways of correcting or altering the true nature of the individual, but in reality there is nothing to change or to improve, all that is necessary is to discover the real condition and to remain relaxed in that state. So it is important to understand that the word Dzogchen refers to the state of the individual and that the purpose of the Dzogchen teaching is to enable one to understand this condition.

In general, the Dzogchen teaching is explained through three fundamental aspects: the base, the path, and the fruit. The base is the primordial state of the individual and is further explained through the principle of the

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"three wisdoms," or three natural conditions: essence, nature, and energy. One of the clearest examples to help understand this point is that of the mirror. In fact, the relative and the absolute condition can both be represented symbolically by a mirror, the former by the images reflected in the mirror and the latter by the mirror's intrinsic potentiality to reflect. The same holds for the state of the individual. What is the individual? It is the one who possesses the primordial state of consciousness, comparable to the nature of the mirror that is pure, clear, and limpid. This corresponds to the three conditions called "essence, nature, and energy." Just as a reflection arises from the mirror and in a certain sense is a quality of the mirror, all of our thoughts and all of the manifestations of our energy, both beautiful and ugly, are only our own reflection, a quality of our pri-

mordial state. If we are aware and are really in this state, everything becomes a quality of ours and there is no longer any separation into subject and object or any consideration of relative and absolute. We have said that as individuals we are made up of our own primordial

state as essence, nature, and energy. However, we should not think of these three aspects as if they were three separate objects: the original condition is one alone, and the fact that it is explained through three distinct concepts is only to help understand it. In reality we cannot define or distinguish "this is purity," "this is clarity," and "this is limpidity."

What is the essence? In order to discover the primordial state the reflection is needed, that in this case comprises the body, voice, and mind, and particularly the last of these three. In fact, it is from the mind that thoughts arise. If a thought arises while we are observing the mind, we must seek whence the thought originates, where it abides and, finally, where it disappears. However, the moment we recognize the thought it disappears and we find nothing at all: there is no origin, no abiding, and no place where it disappears. We find there is nothing, which is why the essence is said to be emptiness.

The concept of emptiness, or śūnyatā, is very widespread in Mahayana Buddhism, particularly in the Prajñāpāramitā tradition. However the fundamental point to understand is that emptiness is the true essence of material phenomena and not some abstract and separate entity. In fact, the same exercise of seeking the origin of thought can be applied to

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any object perceived by the senses. If we see a beautiful object and examine whence this "beauty" arises and where it disappears, we find nothing concrete: everything is at the same level; both subject and object are in essence empty. Just this is the ultimate condition of the individual.

What is clarity? If the essence is "emptiness" this does not mean that nothing exists. When we observe a thought and it disappears, immediately afterwards another thought arises, that might be: "I am seeking the origin of thought and I find nothing!" This too is a thought, is it not? It is a thought that thinks about the origin of thought. In this way many thoughts can arise continuously. Even though we may be convinced that their essence is emptiness, nevertheless they manifest ceaselessly. The same applies to our senses: all the objects we perceive are the ceaseless appearing of our karmic vision. This, then, is the nature of clarity.

What is energy, or the potentiality of energy? It is the active and uninterrupted function of the nature of our primordial state. In general, one talks of the "function of wisdom" in relation to the pure vision of an enlightened being and of the "function of the mind" in relation to the impure vision of samsara. For example, we think something and then we follow this thought and enter into action. Or, while we are practicing, we transform ourselves into a deity with that deity's mandala and pure dimension. All of this evinces the function of energy in the aspects of its continuity and its capacity to produce something. Through our energy there arise all the manifestations at the level of subject and object, that can be pure or impure, beautiful or ugly, etc. If we place a crystal in sunlight, we immediately see it radiate many iridescent rays. In this case, the crystal represents the state of the individual and the colors that manifest externally represent everything that we see and perceive through the senses. This "mode of manifestation" of energy, in which the reflection manifests externally, is called *tsal* in Tibetan. Impure vision tied to karma and to the material dimension and pure vision at the level of subject and object are both *Isal* manifestations of energy.

There is also a way in which energy manifests "internally," in the subject itself, in the same way that images are reflected in a mirror: this is called rolpa. For example, when we do a tantric practice and transform ourselves into the dimension of a deity with its mandala, we are working

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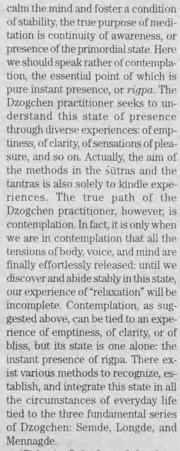
with this kind of energy, because everything is taking place inside us. Obviously, in the first stages of the practice of transformation, it is very important to utilize the mind, concentration, etc., in order to achieve this function concretely. But at a certain point the pure dimension of the mandala can manifest even without any effort on our part, and this occurs through rolpa energy.

The third way energy manifests is called dang, and represents somewhat the basic condition of energy, its potentiality to take on any form according to circumstances. The traditional example is that of a crystal placed on a cloth: the crystal will take on the color of the cloth even though in itself it is transparent and colorless.

Essence, nature and, energy are called the three "primordial wisdoms" because they represent the state of enlightenment in its entirety. The individual has these three aspects from the very beginning and continues to have them even upon the accomplishment of total enlightenment. One might think: "What then is the point of practicing, if we already have the same qualities as a Buddha? We can just stay in peace doing nothing!" Of course we can stay in peace doing nothing as long as we are not distracted, as long as we really find ourselves in this state. But if it is otherwise, it means we are slaves to dualism, conditioned by the object. In this case it is not enough to think that we have the essence, nature, and energy: conditioning by dualistic vision is precisely the obstacle that we need to overcome in order to allow the sun of the primordial state to shine again.

This is the reason why the path is necessary, that in its turn encompasses the three aspects of view, meditation, and behavior. In Dzogchen the "view," or perspective, does not address something external. it means simply observing oneself in order to discover one's true condition. Basically, it means discerning the dualistic conditioning undergone by the body, voice, and mind in order to overcome it through practice. In no way is the Dzogchen teaching intended to build a new cage in place of the one in which we already find ourselves; on the contrary, it serves as a key to open the door of the cage. In fact, it is not enough to discover we are trapped in the cage of dualism: we need to get out of it, and this is the purpose of "meditation."

As regards the second aspect, meditation, even though at the start it is necessary to utilize methods of concentration, breathing, etc., to



"Behavior," the last of the three aspects of the path, concerns the attitude practitioners should have the moment they "come out" of a session of contemplation and undertake various activities. Its purpose is thus to achieve the total integration of contemplation with everyday life, overcoming any differentiation between meditation and non-meditation.

Let us now turn to the third and final aspect of the Dzogchen teaching, the fruit or "result" of practice: realization. We have already said that the primordial state contains in potentiality the manifestation of enlightenment. The sun, for example, naturally has light and rays, but when the sky is cloudy, we do not see them. The clouds in this case represent our obstacles that are a result of dualism and conditioning: when they are overcome, the state of self-perfection shines with all its manifestations of energy, without ever having been altered or improved. This is the characteristic principle of Dzogchen. Not understanding this may lead one to think that Dzogchen is the same as Zen or Ch'an. At heart, Zen, which without any doubt is a high and direct Buddhist teaching, is based on the principle of emptiness as explained in sutras such as the Prajñāpāramitā. Even though in this regard, in substance it is no different from Dzogchen, the particularity of Dzogchen lies in the direct introduction to the primordial state not as "pure emptiness" but rather as endowed with all the aspects of the self-perfection of energy. It is through applying these that one attains realization.

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Concerning the fruit, there are the three k-yas, "bodies" or "dimensions": dharmakāya, sambhogakāya, and nirmāņakāya. In no manner are the three kayas levels of realization: there cannot be a dharmakaya without a nirmanakāya, or vice-versa. In order to understand their meaning we must return to the concepts of essence, nature, and energy. Kaya means "body," and thus the whole dimension, both material and immaterial, in which we find ourselves; dharma means existence. So dharmak ya is the total dimension of existence, without any exclusion. Thus it corresponds to the essence, the ineffable and immeasurable condition beyond all the concepts and limits of dualism.

Sambhoga means "wealth" or "enjoyments," so sambhogakāya means the "dimension of wealth." In this case wealth does not refer to something material but rather to the selfperfected qualities that manifest through the substance of the elements, that is, through color. In fact, when the elements take on the material state, they pass from the level of "color" to the solid level of the physical elements. In brief, everything that we consider as the pure dimension of the mandala and of the deity pertains to the sambhogakaya, the source of the transmission of Tantra. This corresponds to the aspect of the "nature" of clarity of the primordial state.

Nirmana means "manifestation" or "emanation" and corresponds to

the aspect of uninterrupted energy. So nirmānakāya means the "dimension of manifestation." In fact, through energy, both pure vision and impure vision can manifest and both are deemed nirmanakaya dimensions. Pure vision transcends the material dimension and constitutes the essence of the elements, while impure vision corresponds to what is called "karmic vision," produced as the outcome of determined actions carried out in the past.

The word nirmānakāya can also refer to a realized individual, such as Śakyamuni Buddha, who takes on a physical form in order to transmit the teachings. In fact, it is only in the nirmāņakāya dimension that the teachings can be uttered and transmitted at the level of subject and object. The sambhogakaya is that dimension in which the potentialities of sound, light, and rays (sgra, 'od, zer), the three fundamental sources of manifestation, appear as the pure vision of the mandala, the origin of the tantric teachings. The books called "tantras," that contain the revelations of these manifestations, constitute the testimony of teachers who had direct contact with the sambhogakāya and only later put it in writing. As regards the Dzogchen teaching in particular, its tantras are said to arise directly from dharmakaya, symbolized by the primordial Buddha Samantabhadra depicted as a skyblue Buddha, naked and unadorned: the original purity of the state of the individual.

SONAM CHOEDON from Lhasa, Tibet is looking for her sister, NORZOM. NORZOM'S husband is JAMPA THINLY and they live in California. Please contact 212-925-8090.



by Marta Macbeth

Even the Secret Service agents were impressed with the weather. Every day before The Dalai Lama arrived at the Beacon Theater, the sun came out. The planned watering of Central Park became unnecessary as thunder, lightning and rain pummeled New York City in the evenings on the days preceding the Sunday event.

My experience of these teachings was as a volunteer for the Gere Foundation. The professionalism and efficiency shown during the week

amazed me. It was an honor to serve His Holiness and a privilege to work with such a heart-centered yet grounded Foundation. The Tibet Center co-sponsored the teachings and the combined effort was successful.

The Beacon Theater teachings were based on the middle-length Bhavanakrama, or Stages of Meditation, by Kamalashila. One thing which stood out for me in these teachings was the stages of meditating compassion. This is done by meditating on compassion for neutral persons, then friends, then enemies. It is a challenging concept for me to view these three as the same.

Every time His Holiness entered or exited the Beacon, people gathered so they could greet him and experience his warmth and smile. However, the Secret Service agents, who were very serious about guarding His Holiness, had the streets blocked so that no one could get very near. However, at one point one woman in a wheelchair was allowed to get closer and when His Holiness spotted her, he walked over and gave her a warm hug. "You are everywhere," he said and gave that magnificent healing laugh.

Above photo: His Holiness the Dalai Lama says hello to Nives Rebernak of Home for Peace and Nonviolence outside the Beacon Theater in New York City

His Holiness' talk in Central Park was an example of his immense appeal. In 1991, about 1000 people arrived at sunrise to a silent meditation in Central Park. It was dark and the horns and chanting led one up to the meadow. It was memorable, but this was a historic event that to me exemplifies how hungry we are for authenticity, wisdom, and compassion. In eight short years, 1000 people had become 40,000. It seemed that New York City was transformed for the day. Even the extra busses were free as they passed through the city crammed with Tibetans, and everyone seemingly affected by the warmth of His Holiness and his message.

It was an eclectic rainbow of people in Central Park eager to listen to His Holiness' talk on the "Eight Verses for the Training of the Mind." He again illustrated points with stories and anecdotes. The teachings were geared for a wider audience this time and he spoke at a level so that the myriad of ages and orientations would all understand the message.

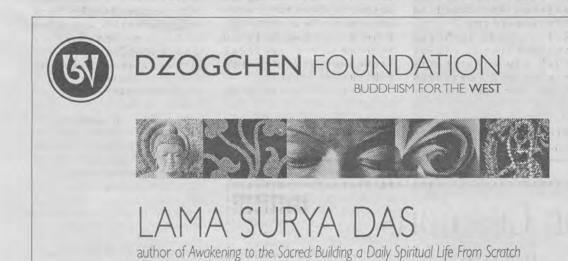
His Holiness emphasized the connectedness with one another and our shared humanity. He also gave hope to all as he tried to make us believe that each of us has the ability to affect change if we have a warm heart and compassion to all. He spoke of the homeless in India and New York City and how we avoid acknowledging the humanity of those whose existence makes us uncomfortable. He did this as he wove in and out of the Eight Verses so that when he proceeded to the next verse you had almost forgotten that the Eight Verses are a Buddhist training. In fact, he so skillfully addressed the teachings that I think most people absorbed his words directly into their hearts and walked away committed to being a better person.

At both the Beacon and at Central Park there was a translator for the hearing impaired. Even if one doesn't know sign language, watching the dance of language is a beautiful experience. Including this as part of the teachings made it all the richer.

As the Central Park talk wound down and His Holiness led us in a prayer, I noticed a NYC policewoman pull down her hat to hide her tears. In that moment I felt a deep gratitude for all whose efforts presented us with His Holiness the Dalai Lama in Central Park on a late summer day.

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Holiness's quarters. In the back, where His Holiness's quarters are, the view is astounding—fields leading up to majestic mountains with their heads in the clouds.

I am so touched to see what has manifested here at Dolma Ling as a result of the work of so many good people. The nuns were given no formal education in Tibet, and to see this dream coming to fruition is so wonderful. They are so excited and dedicated.

The nuns have a week off to study for their exams, and they are spread out all over the place, studying and chanting. At 5 a.m. they are chanting, and it is an incredible thing to wake up to! At 7, they are outside my room in an alcove discussing and testing each other. I eat breakfast with Betsy Napper around 8 and then we head over to the office at 9.

It has not rained non-stop, which is good. Yesterday and today were sunny and hot and HUMID.

Yesterday I went with one of the nuns, Lobsang Dechen, who is the co-director of the Nuns Project, to the Buddhist Institute of Dialectics. They are training Tibetans in Tibetan language and studies, so they can become teachers. There are about 175 students there. We went to see their temple, library and the quarters for His Holiness when he is there. The quarters for His Holiness are quite huge, actually. There are the most amazing rugs in his rooms and an incredible altar. In the temple, they have a huge thangka of the Buddha that is appliqued with lots of other deities and snow lions and dragons. It is just stupendous! I have never seen anything like it except in pictures. I spent a lot of time taking it in while everyone else discussed cabinets for the new temple at the nunnery. The library is sparse-they are fundraising for books.

Today we went to McLeod Ganj and Dharamsala. The nunnery is in Sidphur, which is about 30 minutes from Dharamsala. The village is so much like Mexican villages-storefronts on the street, fruits and vegetables right by the road. The Indian women dress in incredibly colorful outfits-not saris, but dresses with leggings. Very much like Mexico, it's like having rainbows walk by. Dharamsala and McLeod Ganj are on the side of mountains so the roads getting there are hairpin and steep and dangerous. People drive like maniacs here, and the horn is a major instrument of communication-"Watch out, I'm coming!" The views from the towns are absolutely magnificent. The offices of the exiled Tibetan government are over there, as well as the Tibetan Children's Village, the Library of Tibetan Works and Archives, the Medical and Astrology Center and many, many monasteries and one of our nunneries. We





items are a very good idea—they heat the water when you need it, and then you turn it off. I also have a regular toilet, which, I must say, I'm grateful for. Leg muscles can only take so much. The guest house is definitely set up for westerners, as the rest of the buildings are not set up this way. The teachers' quarters have communal showers and toilets, which are, in essence, holes in the floor. The nun's facilities are also communal.

The path to the office is through a glorious array of huge zinnias, morning glories, roses, hibiscus, huge marigolds, tall calla lilies, dahlias, nasturtiums, and other flowers. As the nuns have been studying for exams, there are nuns situated everywhere. Some up on the second floor balconies, some in the alcoves, some right outside my door very early in the morning. They are very shy, and if they feel brave they ask me to help them with their English essays and vocabulary. It's so moving. There's a part of me that would love to come here and help teach-anything. Sewing. But then, being here, I realize that it would be such a huge stretch. There's a woman here from England named Judy who is teaching English at the transit school (for newly arrived Tibetans), who lives next door to Betsy. She is so lonely and the culture shock is immense. She misses her family so much and the Tibetans are not very warm and friendly on a day-to-day basis. The food is strange and hard to get. The mosquitoes are everywhere. And her transition has been very hard. I can see how that could be so. The nunnery is in Sidhpur, which is about 1/2 hour taxi ride from Dharamsala (where all the action is). It takes about 40 minutes by bus. So, I don't see much action. I'm really isolated here & have definitely been brought over here to work. Anyway, I digress.

Once I get to the office, I am chained to a computer. I am trying to coordinate the U.S. database with the Indian one. Our basic set up is the same, but I have been entering data in the U.S. and they have been entering data here. This is a database manager's nightmare, I must say. So, I'm still in the beginning stages of just trying to get the Indian data onto my new and improved U.S. database. It's challenging and tiring. I don't think I'll spend much time teaching the nuns any computer stuff except for the ones who work in the office. At around 10 a.m. a very sweet nun brings us tea (sweet with milk), and we eat lunch together at 1: 15 with the staff and nuns. The lunch is usually rice with strange little bits of meat and either potatoes or cabbage. Some days there's another vegetable or a piece of fruit. And Dolma Ling has the best food of all of the nunneries! I don't quite know how they stay healthy-many don't.

After lunch, we take a short break and then head back to the office from 2 to about 6. Then we go back to our rooms and Judy, who loves to cook, feeds us dinner-curry, dal, macaroni and cheese. We chat for a while and then I go to my room and read. I've read about 4 books already. Luckily Betsy has a good library. There are moments when I get naturally meditative-surprises me! It's been a while since I've been drawn to meditate and not had to force myself to do it. It's a testimony for what actually lives internally and will surface when life isn't a huge rat race. It's moved me to realize that I still have that internal voice and pull. I judge myself so harshly at times! Then I go to bed-sometimes to sleep sometimes to battle those one or two mosquitoes that have managed to get in my room. It's amazing how they show up just at the moment you are falling asleep-to awaken you and then disappear when you turn the light on to smoosh them. I finally slather myself with Green Ban, pull the sheets up and offer my body up. Luckily they don't like Green Ban. Betsy has told me that malaria is not a danger up here, which has me relaxed because I chose not to take the malaria medicine.

That is an ordinary day.

Saturday and Sunday were not ordinary and I will tell you about them...

Saturday we took the bus to Dharmasala, got off at the Kotwall Bazaar and took a taxi up to McLeod. McLeod is the highest-up village I've been to. The buildings are packed onto the hillsides. The views are astounding and the roads treacherous. Because the rains have been so bad, there are landslides everywhere. We went to a few shops and decided that today was not a shopping day! We'll do that another day. We did get some chair carpets for gifts to give to people in the U.S. who help a lot with the Nuns Project.

We went up to Namgyal monastery. This is His Holiness's monastery and where he lives. We went to the various temples and saw where he gives his teachings. The paintings in the temples are utterly awesome. We then decided to circumambulate His Holiness's "palace". Again, the clouds had descended, and we walked among silent, misty trees on a narrow path, passing mani stones, painted carved prayers in big boulders, and prayer wheels. It was quiet and mystical, watching the older Tibetans counting their prayers on much-used malas, turning prayer wheels, and smiling at us as we passed by. We later found out that His Holiness was actually there while we were circling his house. That's nice!

We then went to the Namgyal Cafe-part of the Namgyal Monastery and had pizza, coke and cappuccino-set up for westerners! We had lunch with a woman named Isabel, who works with the Gaddi Indian women on a project which hopes to educate them and help make them self-sufficient. They make tofu, and, I think, jam and some other things and sell them. The Indian women are treated so poorly. Their lives are not their own and they have no power or resources. This project is very worthwhile and definitely underfunded. Isabel lives as these women dohaving to walk up the mountain to get water from a spring, living simply, no conveniences.

We then walked to the Gaden Choeling nunnery, where Gelugpa nuns live. (Gelugpa is the sect of the Dalai Lama.) It is splashed upon a hillside right in-between Dharamsala and McLeod. The buildings are close together where the nuns live and there is an office, a kitchen, and a temple. The nuns were chanting in the temple when we got there. I got to witness fine-tuned negotiations between the TNP and the nunnery. It was actually fun.

We then walked back down to Dharamsala in the pouring rain. Very, very downhill. Very, very slippery. Tevas are a godsend! We caught the nunnery car back to the nunnery, and I went to my room and slept for an

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ate lunch at the Tibet Hotel and then went to the Tibetan Children's Village.

There are 2000 children at TCV. Most have no parents or their parents are in Tibet. They live in homes of thirty to forty children with a "mother" and a "father." They go to school there up through high school, and they have homes for kids who go to college and need a place to come back to. The school building was built by a Japanese architect and is really unique. The children study, work (I saw a 3-year old helping do the laundry!), and play. I was so moved by the feeling of solidarity and community. I could have taken 1000 pictures there. TCV is actually the highest building site in the area, I think-set right in the clouds.

For me, sitting in the Hotel Tibet looking over at the mountains with the clouds wisping around their peaks (Snow Lions, 1 understand), really put me in a reflective place. It has been so many years I have been working with the Tibetans, and I Clockwise: Shugsep nun; man and young boy by prayer wheel; TCV kids; Shugsep nuns; Dolma Ling nunnery; the author, Rinchen Khando, and Betsy Napper.

could hardly be there in my body. So many feelings wanted to come out at once, and the timing was not so appropriate. Tibetans do not display feelings, and I was about to sit at that table and weep. I don't know that I will be able to do all that I want to do on this trip, but that doesn't matter. I really know, as of today, that I am here. And I also know that twenty years of devotion to the Tibetan people have not been misspent.

Wednesday, July 28

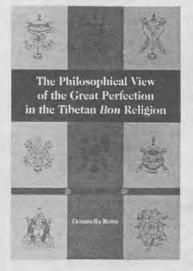
At first I was waking up at 5 or 6. The nuns are chanting and it's a magical way to wake up. I think I was still in a different time zone (or the ozone, for that matter). Now I'm back to my bad habit of getting up at 7:30. I take a shower. I am truly fortunate in that I am staying in the guest house, which has four one-room apartments. I have a shower, which gets heated by a wall unit called a "geezer". These little hour, had dinner, tried to watch *Life is Beautiful* at Betsy's (didn't like it) and went back to my room and read. Quite the day!

On Sunday, which I had hoped I could spend a good part resting because I wasn't feeling so well, Rinchen Khando, His Holiness's sister-in-law, invited us to Kashmir Cottage for lunch. So, Betsy and I got ourselves together and decided to take a taxi instead of the bus (wise decision). We stopped at the Kotwall Bazaar and bought mangoes to give to Rinchen-la as a gift and walked up to the cottage. In Dharamsala and McLeod (which is higher up than Dharamsala) the clouds descend and you find yourself in the midst of a beautiful soft mistiness. Everything takes on a sense of quiet and mystery.

On our way up, Ngari Rinpoche, His Holiness's brother, came driving down. He looks so much like his brother, it's uncanny. He has a tremendous memory, recognizing me from 1980, the second trip to the U.S. with His Holiness. This is when we pre-

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The Philosophical View of the Great Perfection in the Tibetan Bon Religion



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Dzogchen, or the Great Perfection, is considered in Tibet to be the culmination of all teachings embraced by both Bonpos and the followers of the Nyingma school. The View of the Great Perfection introduces the individual to the knowledge of reality, which is one with the enlightened state of all beings. In this book the Dzogchen View is presented by way of two Bonpo texts belonging to the revered terma and oral traditions, here translated and critically edited for the first time in their entirety.

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The following is an excerpt from The Philosophical View of the Great Perfection in the Tibetan Bon Religion.

The View (lta ba)

The expression rdzogs pa chen po'i lta ba, the View of the Great Perfection, obviously implies the literal connotation of theoretical view or philosophical way of seeing; but as will be shown through this presentation, this 'view' detaches itself from the common Buddhist connotation of theory or (wrong) view to cover the whole gamut of doctrinal, metaphysical and soteriological principles pertaining to the Great Perfection.

The first observation to be made is that the teachings of the Great Perfection are traditionally addressed to individuals who still live in a relative condition, where suffering is concretely experienced, but who are deemed to possess a superior capacity of understanding. Therefore, instead of fostering mere speculative knowledge, the Great Perfection teachings, as they are expounded through the principles related to the Basis (gzhi), concentrate uncompromisingly on assisting the individual to transcend the confusion and narrowness that characterize the relative condition, so that one's own Ultimate Nature (rang bzhin), which is the self-perfected state of Enlightenment (sangs rgyas pa) existing as a potentiality in all beings, may be recognized. When these liberating means are applied through the Path (lam), the teachings are centred on actualizing the Awareness (rig pa) that the source and the final point of all external and internal phenomena related to the condition of living beings

The Mind-itself is like

is the unlimited and ineffable state of

- the eye, (without which) other (things) cannot
- appear by themselves.
- Since it is naturally
- concealed in itself, it can
- (only) be discovered by
- (entering) its secret
- (nature).

Reality (Bon nyid), which is one with one's own Ultimate Nature. When the teachings describe the Fruit ('bras bu), they imply the definitive 'return' to the state of Reality; and since that state is precisely one's intrinsically enlightened Nature, the Fruit is said to already be spontaneously accomplished.

The Reality is called Great Perfection because it is not affected by the limitations that characterize all phenomena, such as their transitoriness. the causes that generate them, and the effects to which they are subjected. It cannot be defined as a meeting of opposite principles, nor as an alternation of forces. It is intrinsically non-dual (gnyis med). Therefore, it cannot be identified with the state transcending suffering (mya ngan las

'das pa) enjoyed by enlightened beings, nor with the state of transmigration ('khor ba), since it encompasses and at the same time transcends them both. It is not a state where distinction or choice is to be made between 'good' and 'bad'. Nor is it a state that can be approached and achieved in a gradual way, by going through successive stages of mental and physical practices.

These ideas are expressed in the ITa ba la shan sgron ma, "The Lamp that Clarifies the View" (p. 278,4-7), a short gter ma belonging to the cycle of the Three Proclamations:

- rDzogs pa chen po kun gnas te / rang bzhin lhun rdzogs chen po nyid/
- rdzogs pa chen por ye nas gnas / thams cad rdzogs pa'i rang bzhin la / bzang ngan blangs dor gnyis su med theg pa lam dang bsgam /sic/
- bsgrub rtsogs /

rdzogs chen 'di la ngas ma bshad / rgyu 'bras gnyis su ngas ma bshad / skye shi med par lhun gyis gnas / gnas pa nyid la gnyis su med / des na bon dang gshen rab med / rgyu 'bras theg par btags pas nor / lta bas bltas pa 'khrul par snang / lam gyi rim pa ye nas med / nye lam bde rdzogs lam gyis [sic] mchog /

- 'jug lta spyod bsrungs gnyis mi mnga'
- bsgom dang blo yis the tshom med / des na rdzogs chen nam mkha'i klong //
- The Great Perfection abides (in) everything;
- (it is) the great, spontaneously perfected Nature
- (which) exists as Great Perfection from the origin.
- As to (this Ultimate) Nature which is totally perfected,
- (it) has no duality of acceptance (and) rejection, good (or) bad. (Following) paths (and) vehicles,
- performing meditation: I have not proclaimed (that) the Great Perfection (consists) in this
- I have not proclaimed (that it exists) as cause and effect.
- It exists spontaneously without birth and death.
- As to (that state of) being itself, (it is) without duality; therefore, (it) has no Bon nor
- gShen rab. (It is) erroneous to tie (it) to the
- vehicles of Cause and Fruit. Investigated through (a specific) view, (it) appears in (a) delusive
- (wav). From the beginning, (it) has no
- graduality of paths (it is) the best path, the direct path of perfection and bliss
- There is no view (to be) followed, nor conduct (to be) observed.
- There is no uncertainty (produced)

aspired state that transcends suffering (mya ngan las 'das pa). However, in the View of the Great Perfection, meditation is considered as a contingent state, a child's play, because no matter how profound and accomplished that may be, it is nevertheless considered to imply the perception of a subject envisaging its object. Therefore, how can it be possible to actually transcend all suffering by using a means that constitutes the cause, or the emblem, so to speak, of all duality? "The Commentary to The View which is like the Lion's Roar" (lTa ba seng ge sgra bsgrags kyi 'grel pa, rDzogs chen bsGrags pa skor gsum, pp. 826,4-7, 827,3-7) briefly describes the way in which the followers of what we can infer to be the Seventh Vehicle of the Fruit endeavour to find the absolute state by practising meditation on specific deities; how this view is still maintained in the Eighth Vehicle of the Fruit, although it is approached from a more sophisticated standpoint; and how this view loses its validity when one has realized the 'true' state of meditation:

- Theg pa 'og ma bas sngags phyi nang gi lugs ni sgom yod du 'dod/
- de yang dngos po mtshan ma rang du 'dod ta [*]
- zhal yas dang gdan dang yi ge 'bru dang sku dang rgyan dang cha lugs sgom
- pa'o/ theg pa ye gshen pa yang klong du
- ma gyur bar du sgom du yod par 'dod
- de yang dngos po mtshan ma mi sgom ste /
- zhi gnas dang lhag mthong cha mnyam pa de /
- ma yengs pa'i ting nge 'dzin gyi sgom pas sgom yod do /
- ./ sgom du yod pa'i dus tshod ni / ma rtogs pa'i dus dang /
- rtags [* read rtogs] par bya ba'i
- thabs kyi dus so / de la rtogs pa'i dus na sgom du
- med te [sic] sgom mi sgom gyi bye brag mi shes pas/
- rtags [* read rtogs] pa klong du gyur ba'i dus na yang sgom du med de /
- bsgom bya'i yul dang sgom byed kyi blo gnyis ka ban /* read bon] nyid dam sems nyid du shes pas so /
- yang sgom par bya ba'i yul pha rol na med par rtogs la /
- sgom par byed pa'i shes pa tshu ral * read rol] na med par rtogs pa'i sgom med do //
- Lower Vehicles (which follow) the system of outer and inner formulas maintain (that it) exists (in) meditation. By (mentally) assuming the aspect (and) characteristics (of a certain deity)

- a certain deity). (They say) it is (found in) meditation through the practice of undistracted meditative absorption (which consists in) equalizing peaceful-abiding and
- superior seeing. When (it is said that) it is (found) in meditation,
- it is (either) a method to foster realization or lack of realization.
- In that respect, when one has realized (it), it is not in meditation
- since the difference between meditation (and) nonmeditation is not perceived;
- also, when realization has fully matured, it is not (found) in meditation
- (because) both the mind that performs meditation and the object that is meditated (upon) are perceived as the Mind-itself, the Reality.
- Moreover it is not (found in) meditation, when (one) realizes (that) there is no object on one side to be meditated (upon). (and) no consciousness on the other that performs meditation.

In practice, as said in "The Explanation of the Twelve Little Tantras" (rGyud bu chung bcu gnyis kyi don bstan pa, pp. 187,6-188,1), it is impossible to experience and perceive the absolute state by any other means than that state itself:

- Sems nyid mig dang 'dra ste gzhan gsal rang mi gsal /
- rang la rang gis gsang pas rang gsang thabs kyis chod / thabs gzhan 'khrul cing 'khor ba'i gnas su lhung //
- The Mind-itself is like the eye, (without which) other (things) cannot appear by themselves. Since it is naturally concealed in itself, it can (only) be discov-
- ered by (entering) its secret (nature).
- Other ways are delusive and (make one) fall into the sphere of transmigration.

In the lTa ba la shan sgron ma (op. cit., p. 278,1) we also read that the teachings therein contained have been expounded by the Compassionate Teacher Kun tu bZang po. Instructions of this kind are traditionally not considered as mere verbal expression, but rather as expounded from the state of contemplation (dgongs pa), which is referred to as the Condition of Kun tu bZang po (kun tu bzang po'i ngang), 'manifesting itself' on a supernatural plane in the form of deities such as gShen lha 'Od dkar. The latter is very often called the Compassionate Teacher (thugs rje'i ston pa) in the texts. dPon slob 'Phrin la Nyi ma informs us that the term kun tu bzang po can be interpreted as "dus kun tu (kun tu) dri ma ma bgos pa (bzang po)", "at all times wearing no stains", and that it refers to the Self-Originated Primordial Wisdom of the Basis (gzhi'i rang 'byung ye shes), whereby it is also styled Kun tu bZang po of the Basis (gzhi'i kun tu bzang po). He also points out that the term kun tu bzang po is interpreted in a twofold way: "gdags su med pa'i Kun tu bZang po" and "gdags su yod pa'i Kun tu bZang po"; "qdags su med pa'i Kun tu bZang po", the inexpressible Kun tu bZang po, symbolizes the Body of Reality (Bon sku). The expressible Kun tu bZang po, "gdags su yod pa'i Kun tu bZang po", refers, as in the case of our texts, to deities or enlightened beings that are expressible in terms of their attributes and qualifications, such as gShen lha 'Od dkar and Ta pi Hri tsa. These two figures respectively symbolize the Body of Perfection (rDzogs pa'i sku) and the Body of Emanation (sPrul pa'i sku).

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by thoughts and meditation. Therefore, (it is) Great Perfection, (it is like) the Expanse of Space.

Taken by itself, the affirmation that this absolute state cannot be found in meditation seems to go against and dismiss the whole range of endeavours that followers of lower Vehicles painstakingly undertake with the aim of reaching the much

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(they) meditate (upon its) countenance, seat, seedsyllable,

body, ornaments and garments. Also the followers (of) the Vehicle (of) the Primordial gShen maintain that as long as (it is) not realized, it is

(found) in meditation, (although)

(they) do not meditate (upon) the aspect (and) characteristics (of

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sented H.H. with our first published book, *Death*, *Intermediate State and Rebirth* in New York City at the Waldorf Astoria. The memories!!

We then went up to the cottage, which is surrounded by fruit trees and beautiful flowers. It was wonderful to see Rinchen-la. We talked about so many things-the Nun's Project, my kids, her coming grandchild and all of the old friends of the Tibet cause. She wants to do something to reconnect with all of the people who originally worked with the Office of Tibet back in the 60s and 70s. To her, these are the people who laid the groundwork for what has manifested now. The Tibetan issue is so big now and there are so many people, that she feels the old-timers have been forgotten. We talked about that and I said that, in a way, this was so, and that, also, many of the old-timers are so happy to see what has blossomed out of the initial work done. For me, having put 20 years into this, it's so moving to see what has happened. It was very validating to have Rinchen mention this, however, I must say. She expressed much sadness and some frustration over putting so much time, energy and money into building here when it would be wonderful to be able to do this in Tibet when they get back. Betsy told me that anything that the Tibetans have earned here, must be left here. So, going back to Tibet will have to be financed some other way. We all pray for the miracle of the Tibetans going home! It seems like that is what it will take to have that happen. Some major upheaval in China!

We had a wonderful lunch of momos and vegetables. It was a delightful time and I'm so glad that Rinchen invited us. She told us that His Holiness is in town, and she will let us know if he is having any public audiences. I'd love to see him!!!

So, Betsy and I took a taxi back to the nunnery, napped and then worked in the office some. That was the weekend.

Wednesday, August 4

The last few days have been unbelievably tiring! Wednesday through Sunday I have gone to McLeod each day—a full morning's journey. The roads, especially because of the monsoon, are rocks and mud and, not to mention, on the sides of mountains.

On Wednesday we heard that His Holiness was going to be giving a public audience the next day. Needless to say, I wanted to go to that! Dominique (she is the new English teacher/ recent graduate from Columbia and so great) and I went to the Security/ Passport office in McLeod to register for the audience. First you need to register with the Tibetan office, which went quite fast. Then you need to stand in a second line to register with the Indian security office, which took HOURS! Separate line for men and women, and, of course, there were more women. As word crept through the community that this audience was happening, more and more people showed up. It was very exciting. Dominique and I took turns roaming into shops and standing in linein the pouring rain. We took a jeep taxi down from McLeod to Dharamsala, which had at least 15 people in it. Then we took a regular taxi back to Dolma Ling.

in and gets processed—how one responds to experiencing the world. My prayer is that in his Holy Presence this will be able to happen—that my sincerity and intention will allow the shift in the matrix. I pray for the obstructions to be removed, for the free flow of energy to happen that will allow my life to blossom and fulfull its own particular, unique destiny.

It was quite incredible to be in the crowd waiting to see His Holiness. There were quite a few new arrivals from Tibet. You could tell which ones they were. They were shiny-faced, dressed in traditional costumes, even the men, which is very rare. There were many, many monks and many, many monkeys. The monkeys were on top of a fiberglass roof, so you could see their little hands and the teeny ones were turning somersaults and hop-scotching over each other. It was so enthralling. We were all in such a deep state of anticipation. Judy Tethong was with us, who is a woman from Vancouver married to one of the Tibetan cabinet members, so she could get us updates on everything that was happening. The westerners were separated from the Tibetans, and everyone's security passes were checked and people were patted down to check for weapons. The security was very tight, which was a new experience for me. So, we waited and watched.

Finally, you could see the bodyguards getting attentive and the incense burners were being swung His Holiness walked up the stairs. It was electrifying for me to see him. Tears just welled up and my heart nearly burst. He carries such an enormous presence, such an enormous love. We held back to the end of the line, so we could watch everyone passing by the line. There were so many people that we couldn't present our scarves to him, we had to just put them around our necks. He stood in front of the temple, smiling. The first person who went was a very old nun, who he joked with and put his head to her forehead. There were many, many westerners who had come out of curiosity. Then there were the Westerners who were "important", who had to get ahead of everyone, who looked urgent. As we got closer to him, my excitement kept growing. So, there I was holding his hand, looking into those sparkling, compassionate eyes. That's what I was yearning for, starving for-that glimpse of being seen as only my better self. The place I so often feel I struggle to attain, being given effortlessly in just a momentary glimpse. Thank you. Thank you

It was impossible to leave. We waited while His Holiness met with the new arrivals. He spent almost an hour with them. What a tremendous gift. Meanwhile, we watched all of the people waiting. The old Tibetans turning their prayer wheels and praying with their malas. Sitting on the ground, just grateful to be in the presence of the Dalai Lama, Little children running around. Monkeys checking out the crowd. We finally left and walked half way down to Dharmasala listening to many, many stories told by Judy-of when she was working with the Tibetans in 1963 as a peace corps volunteer. What an amazing time for her. The rest is more story-Going back to the office, working. The weekend was spent shopping, sleeping, and visiting nunneries, which is full of stories in itself. I was able to visit Shugsep and Tilokpur, two other nunneries that we support. Each one, each nunnery holds a unique feeling of commitment. Always, there is welcome and delicious tea. The last few days have been filled with work-getting the database more and more together. I will need to do some of this work when I get back. Today, Wednesday, will be spent getting the next newsletter together. I will be spending two days in Delhi before leaving on Saturday. I am really looking forward to coming home and jumping into a new stream.

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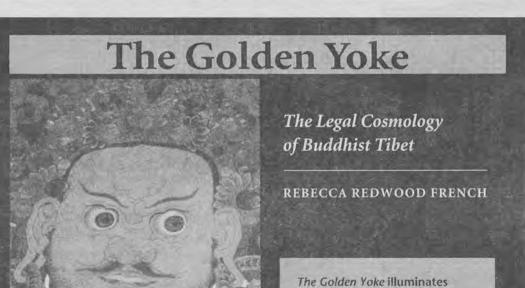
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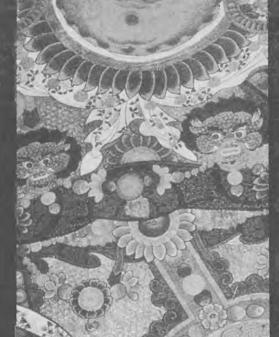
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Back to the database! By the time I leave, I am hoping to have it pretty much in order. I will probably have to work on it some when I get back and send it back with Betsy when she returns.

The next day we leave to go to the audience with His Holiness. Talk about being in an altered state! I keep remembering starting this trip with watching *The Matrix* and it has somehow become the theme of my trip. Seeing His Holiness reaffirmed that feeling. To shift the matrix of the structure of my being—a real shift of how it is that information comes



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International Committee of Lawyers for Tibet: LOOKING TO THE FUTURE

According to the International Committee of Lawyers for Tibet (ICLT), many of the pieces to begin solving the conflict in Tibet are now in place, and Tibetans are turning their sights from simply surviving to planning for the imminent freedom of their own country.

The ICLT has been working closely with His Holiness the Dalai Lama and other Tibetan Government leaders to end human rights abuses in Tibet, and to promote a peaceful settlement through negotiations and the rule of law. Some of the group's recent endeavors include:

-Investigated and reported to the United Nations the continuing Chinese policy of human rights abuses, including coerced abortions and sterilization of Tibetan women.

-Launched an investigation of abuses against Tibetan children (including imprisonment and torture) to respond to China's upcoming report to the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child.

-Organized Tibetan delegations to the UN Women's Committee meetings in January and March 1999, and to The Hague Peace Appeal Conference in The Netherlands in May 1999, which highlighted Tibet, non-violent

conflict resolution, and the rights of indigenous peoples.

-Made more than a half-dozen official submissions to the United Nations detailing China's violations of human rights law in Tibet, which have

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been instrumental in gaining special attention to Tibet by UN Member States and Special Rapporteurs.

-Campaigned to pass Tibetsupport resolutions across the U.S. affirming Tibetans' right to determine their own future. Many states and cities have now passed resolutions of this nature.

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-Mobilizing a campaign to stop a

World Bank project which would illegally transfer thousands of ethnic Chinese into Tibet and contribute to the destruction of Tibetan culture and environment.

-Helped hundreds of Tibetan refugees in the U.S. by obtaining free or low-cost asylum and immigration legal assistance.

-Wrote and published a new legal study affirming Tibet's right to independence and refuting China's historical claim to Tibet. (The study is now being used worldwide by the Tibet support movement, government leaders, and policy makers.)

-Researched and analyzed 35 models of self-governance to assist Tibetans in developing their own vision of what form of self-rule for Tibet to negotiate for. This study will also provide the legal precedents to support that negotiating position.

-Assisted the New York office of Tibet to set up a UN Tibet Advocacy Bureau.

-Provided training for the Tibetan Parliament Legislative Counsel.

-Hosted the Tibetan Supreme Court Justice U.S. tour.

In the coming year, ICLT will focus its efforts on:

Tibetan Children's Rights Project. ICLT's legal interns have already begun the groundwork, and our investigative teams-including psychologists and human rights law experts with specialized training and sensitivities for children and victims of torture-have begun preparing their fall mission to refugee centers in India,

ICLT will continue to seek Tibet support resolutions in cities and states in the U.S. and internationally, and will work with Tibetan Government-in-Exile representatives to develop Codes of Conduct and development guidelines.

Dr. Robert Clark: Translator of The Practice of Mahamudra

Dr. Robert Clark orally translated most of the teachings which were later compiled and edited into our recently published book, The Practice of Mahamudra, by Drikung Kyabgon Chetsang Rinpoche. Regretfully, Dr. Clark's role as oral translator was not acknowledged in the first printing of the book. This omission will be corrected in the next printing.

At the request of the Tibetan Government, ICLT will help plan and participate in a "Self-Governance" conference in Dharamsala, India this November.

ICLT will publish an expanded Tibetan Women's Rights report for wider dissemination.

ICLT continues to promote the Tibetan cause at the United Nations and other international forums, preparing reports, lobbying, and assisting Tibetan participation.

Because Tibetans are now planning the kind of development and civil institutions a free Tibet will need, ICLT's future work will include ways of linking sustainable development and the protection and promotion of human rights through the rule of law. These links will assist Tibetans to participate in a regional and global economy that promotes human rights and world peace.

The ICLT believes that world peace will be greatly affected by the outcome in Tibet. Without international support for non-violent resolution and human rights law, violence, terrorism, armed resistance, and war are the likely outcome wherever conflict erupts.

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U.N. Bars Ethnic Tibetan's Talk

by Paul Lewis

from The New York Times International Friday, March 5, 1999

United Nations officials have prevented an ethnic Tibetan from addressing the organization's Commission on the Status of Women, saying this might offend the Chinese delegation and result in China's opposing the accreditation of some women's groups to the world organization.

The incident, which occurred on Wednesday, has drawn protests from women's and human rights groups attending the commission's annual two-week conference here.

Losang Rabgey, a Canadian citizen of Tibetan origin who represents an international human rights group called the Transnational Radical Party, was chosen to address the commission as one of five delegates on its task force on women's health. Her topic was to be violence against women in occupied territories.

But at the last moment, officials from the United Nations Division for the Advancement of Women said she would not be allowed to speak, explaining that her name was identifiably Tibetan and that this might offend the Chinese delegation.

Ms. Rabgey was also warned that if China was offended, it might oppose accrediting some women's organizations to the United Nations when their status comes up for review.

Ms. Rabgey then asked another heduled speaker. Krishanti Dharmaraj of the San Franciscobased Women's Institute for Leadership Development for Human Rights, to mention her exclusion during Ms. Dhher's address to the commission. After Ms. Dharmaraj did so, United Nations officials refused to let any of the three other scheduled speakers

take the floor. They also expressed displeasure with Dr. Joyce Brock, an American physician and the organizer of the task force on women's health, who had selected the original five speakers.

A United Nations spokeswomen said officials in the Division for the Advancement for Women insisted that the reason Ms. Rabgey was not allowed to speak was that they thought her topic was not relevant to the commission's work.

But Janice Mantell, executive director of the International Committee of Lawyers for Tibet, said today that it was "unacceptable that a United Nations body entrusted to promote the human rights of women cannot hear from a participant because her ethnic identity is a politically sensitive issue for China.

"Tibetans are a target of China's colonial expansion directly resulting in human rights violations, including violence against women," Ms. Mantell said.

In a statement, the lawyers committee said, "Tibetan women are subjected to systematic violence in the form of forced or coerced sterilization and abortion, including late term abortion.

Reed Brody, of Human Rights Watch, said, "This kind of censorship is unfortunately typical of the United Nations bureaucracy's penchant to cave in at even the suggestion of Chinese displeasure."

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European Women's Lobby, said, "We fully support the right to speak of all women, including Tibetan, and we deplore the fact that this right should have been denied them."

There was no comment from the Chinese delegation.

U.N. Apology to Tibetan

from The New York Times International Tuesday, March 9 (Reuters)

The United Nations apologized today for preventing an ethnic Tibetan from testifying before a United Nations women's commission, apparently because of fear of criticism from China.

Losang Rabgey, an ethnic Tibetan with Canadian citizenship, said she had been given permission to address the commission as one of five speakers for a health task force but was told at the last minute last week that she could not testify as the representative from Asian women's groups. There was no known protest from China of the planned address.

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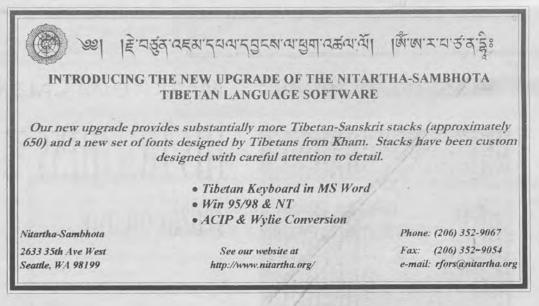
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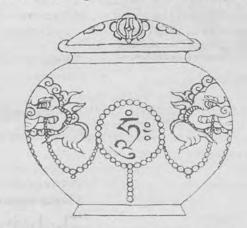
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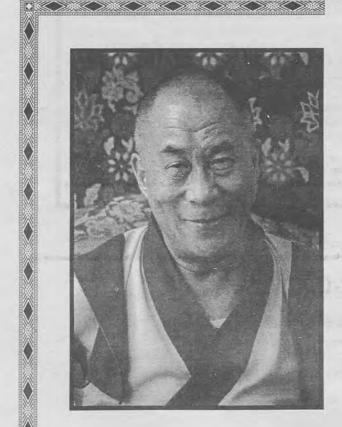
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Nyoshul Khen Rinpoche was one of the closest disciples of Kyabje Dilgo Khyentse Rinpoche and Kyabje Dudjom Rinpoche. He first visited France in 1980, after which he lived for some years at La Sonnerie and gave teachings in the early three retreats at Chanteloube and elsewhere.

Rinpoche was universally recognized as a very great master. In recent years, he spent the most of his time in Bhutan where he had many disciples. Offering countless teachings, Rinpoche also coauthored *Natural Great Perfection* with Lama Surya Das, one of his closest western disciples. He returned to France in May for medical treatment, but his illness was very serious and already far advanced. We are grateful that he remained with us as long as he did.

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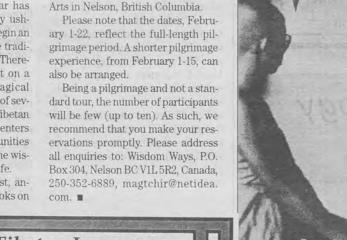
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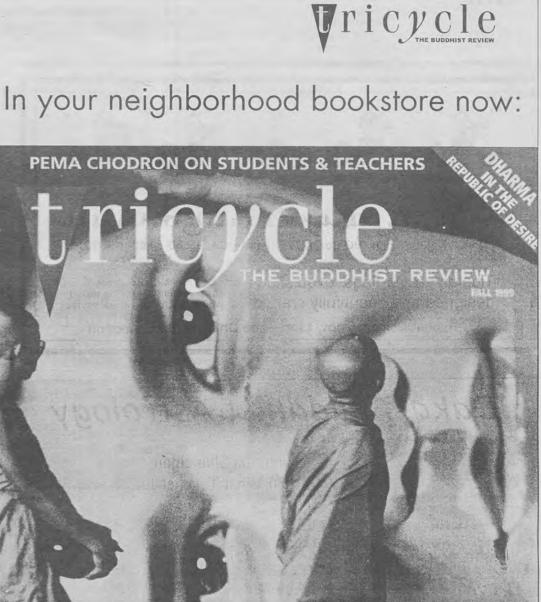
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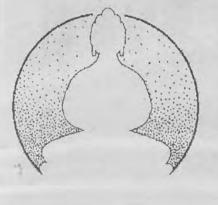
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Rev. McDonald has informed us that after the fall 1999 catalog she will no longer be able to provide this service due to physical difficulties. Her kindness has been greatly appreciated.

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We extend our sincerest wishes for Rev. McDonald's happiness and health.

Above photo: Rev. Patrice McDonald reading the Summer 1999 issue of the Snow Lion Newsletter.

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From snowy heights, Glacial streams, Valleys green, You came.

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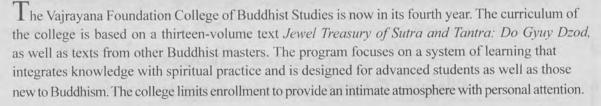
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in a particular time and place in order to meet with those conditions most appropriate to their needs.

The present era is called *kaliyuga*, or "the dark age," for in it we are confronted by five harsh conditions: lifeforce is weak; delusions and afflicted emotions predominate everywhere; the times are violent; the living beings presently incarnate are mostly of low character; and false ideas and attitudes are mistaken for truth. As a result, human civilization is filled with social structures, philosophical attitudes and behavioral norms that are in direct contradiction to and obstructive of spiritual growth.

On the positive side, the smallest point of light is clearly visible simply because everything is so dark, just as a candle flame in the daylight is almost invisible but at night is clearly seen from a great distance. Similarly, those born in the kaliyuga who enter into the path of spiritual knowledge quickly achieve their goals, for the steps on the path are easily distinguished.

The biggest obstacle to enlightenment in the kaliyuga is the temptation to follow the norms of society, for society is mostly on the wrong track. Therefore when the eleventh-century Kadampa master Lama Drom Tonpa was once asked how best to follow the path of spiritual knowledge he replied, "The masses have their heads on backwards. If you want to get things right, first look at how they think and behave, and consider going the opposite way."

Who suffer most deeply of all the beings in the world? Those with no self-discipline who are overpowered by delusion.

Generally speaking a person is always in one of two types of mind states: *shen-wang*, or "other-powered" and *rang-wang*, or "self-powered." The former refers to the times when we do not keep the mind in positive spheres, and consequently are driven by distorted emotional or cognitive states; the latter refers to when we keep the mind focussed through the application of spiritual methods.

It could also be said that there are two types of living beings: those who are directed mainly by negative mind states, and thus are mainly "otherpowered," and those who are directed mainly by spiritual forces, and thus are mainly "self-powered." The second of the two have eliminated the coarse delusions and afflicted emotions, and have aroused the innate seeds of wisdom. Thus they hold the reins of their destiny in their own hands.

Distorted mind states and afflicted emotions are the principal inner agents giving rise to external courses of action that create unhappiness for self and others. Due to anger, attachment, jealousy, prejudiced attitudes and so forth we misjudge the dynamics of the moment and mistake the flow of energies that constitute the

transformations of body, speech and mind.

The remedy is the taming of the negative mind and the arousal of wisdom. However, these goals are not easily or quickly accomplished. Therefore those who have taken up the enlightenment path rely upon selfdiscipline. We cannot always have the wisdom to be free of anger, but through the will-power of self-discipline we can refrain from acts based on anger. Similarly, we may not yet have the wisdom that is free from prejudices, but we can discipline ourselves to mind our own business.

Undeveloped beings are almost always in a state of *shen-wang*. The more developed we become, the less time we spend in *shen-wang* states, and the more time in *rang-wang*, until eventually we achieve the transcendental wisdom that keeps us eternally in *rang-wang*.

What is like a smelly fart that, although invisible, is obvious? One's own faults, that are precisely as obvious as the effort made to hide them.

Ordinary people try to hide their faults and show what they think of as their good qualities. However, the more we try to hide a fault the more pronounced it becomes. The only remedy is the transcendence of the fault. As long as it still holds sway over us it is definite that it will continue to manifest.

The first step in overcoming our faults is the arousal of the determination to face and acknowledge them when they appear. Ordinary beings don't do this, and instead try to hide them from both self and others.

Of course, not everything that causes us embarrassment is a fault to be transcended. Ordinary social conditioning sometimes makes us ashamed of things of which we should be proud, and proud of things of which we should be ashamed. For this reason it is important to examine one's situation closely and not just take one's spiritual tradition for granted. But when it looks like a fault, smells like a fault and feels like a fault, most probably it is a quality to leave behind.

The early Kadampa lamas likened the Dharma to a mirror, and said that the practitioner should look at his or her face in this mirror and then clean it up in accordance with what is seen.

What is an auspicious omen

in country and city dweller alike? Love, that seeks harmony amongst

people, and that wishes only happiness for

others.

The term that the Seventh Dalai Lama uses here for harmony is *puntsun yitu ongwa*, which literally means "seeing one another with affection." The *yitu ongwa* segment of the expression literally means "delighting the mind," and is likened to the way a mother reacts to seeing her only child. The mere sight of the child brings pleasure and joy to the mind of the mother.

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delights in the company of others, and that only wishes them well, is an "auspicious omen" in a person. Just as an auspicious omen seen in cloud formations, dreams or the like is a prophecy of good things to come, the quality of mind that always looks on others with affection and sympathy is an indication that the possessor of that mind is destined for happiness. When one has established the mind that always looks on others with love, one's experience of the world becomes more lowing, peaceful and fulfilling.

The Buddha said, "The presence of love in the mind immediately pacifies whatever negative energy is present in one's environment. The force of the delusions is weakened, and the iron grip of negative karma is loosened."

What is the one root of all goodness in samsara and nirvana? The clear light of one's own mind, which by nature is free from every stain.

The basis of all conscious life is the mind, with its twofold quality of radiance and knowing. On its most subtle level, the mind is pure luminosity, or primordial clear light. Maitreya likened this aspect of the mind to the sky; the clouds of distortion and the delusions move through the sky and sometimes even obstruct the light of the sun, but they cannot actually harm or stain the sky. When conditions change, the clouds disappear and the pure sky shines through in all its glory.

The essential nature of mind is equally pristine in all living beings, from earthworms to buddhas. However, those on basic levels of consciousness fall prey to the distortions and delusions because of misapprehending the nature of the self. Moved by these factors they engage in negative behavior and bring suffering to self and others. Even the most seemingly evil person has the primordial clear light mind at the heart of his or her existence. Eventually the clouds of distortion and delusion will be cleared away as the being grows in wisdom, and the evil behavior that emanates from these negative mindsets will naturally evaporate. That being will realize the essential nature of his or her own mind, and achieve spiritual liberation and enlightenment.

The Buddha said, "The world is led by the mind. All good and evil deeds are created by it. It revolves like a fire wheel, moves like waves, burns like a forest fire, and widens like a great river."

As His Holiness the present Dalai Lama once put it, "The clear light mind, which lies dormant in living beings, is the great hope of mankind."

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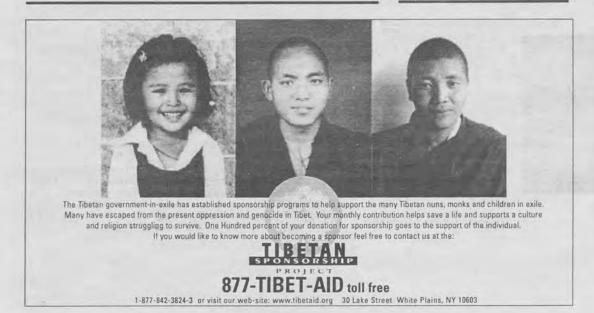
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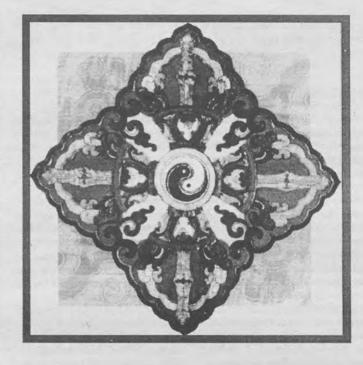
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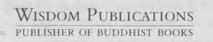


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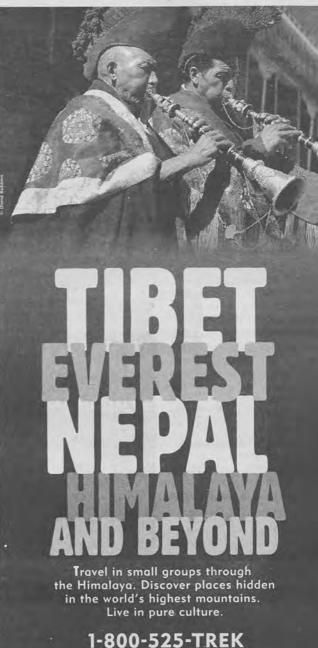
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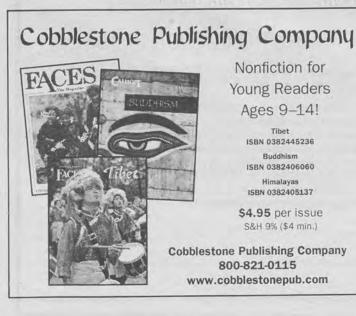


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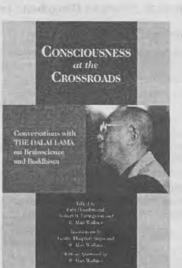
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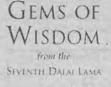
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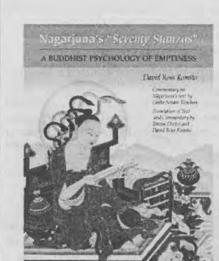
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Glenn H. Mullin studied Tantric Buddhism in the Himalayas for twelve years, and has over a dozen books in print. In addition to his writings, he has co-produced numerous recordings of Tibetan sacred music, and also worked on three feature-length documentary films and four television productions related to Tibetan Buddhism.



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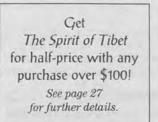


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Glenn H. Mullin is a member of the Library of Tibetan Works and Archives Research and Translation Bureau. He lived in the Himalayas from 1972 to 1984, where he studied tantric Buddhism under numerous Tibetan masters. A renowned author and Tibetologist, he has lectured and conducted workshops throughout the world, and has published over a dozen books on Tibetan Buddhism. GURU YOGA

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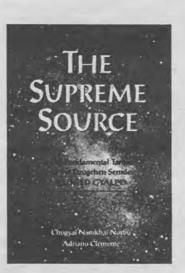
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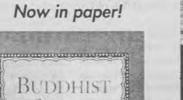
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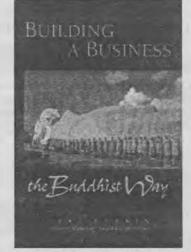
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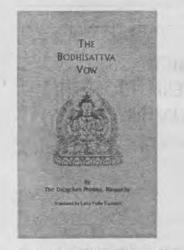
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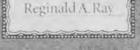
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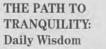
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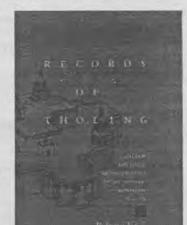
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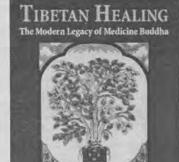
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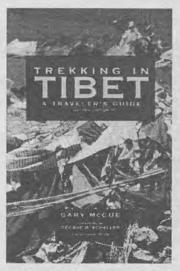
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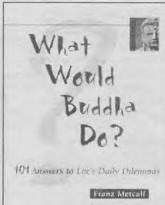




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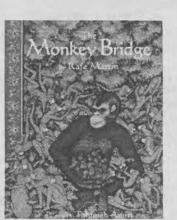
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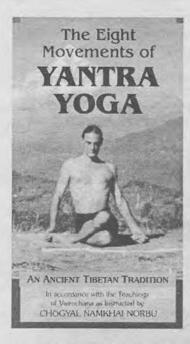
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Fabio Andrico was born in Italy in 1951. He went to India as a young man where he studied Hatha Yoga. He met the master Chogyal Namkhai Norbu who gave him teachings on Dzogchen and Yantra Yoga. For the last 20 years he has been a Yantra Yoga instructor of the Dzogchen Community and taught courses all over the world.



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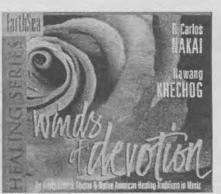
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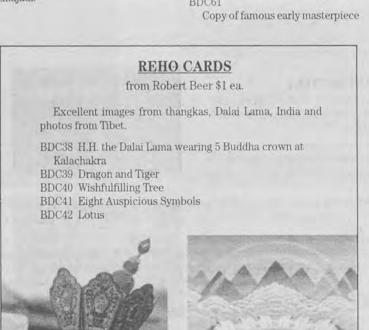
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With over three thousand divinities in its pantheon, Buddhist iconography is challenging. With the aid of abundant illustrations, this guide provides clear and concise explanations of the differing names and attributes by which the deities are known in India, Nepal, Tibet, China, Japan and Southeast Asia. Included are comparative tables, extensive bibliography, index and notes.

Die Götter des Himalaya

DIE GOTTER DES HIMALAYA: Buddhistische

DHARMA ART

by Chogyam Trungpa. 192 pp., 20 photos, 8 x 9", #DHAR \$17

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Presents Trungpa Rinpoche's teachings about the power of art to awaken and liberate. Dharma art springs from the meditative state-a condition of directness, unselfconsciousness and nonaggression. It provides a vehicle to appreciate the nature of things as they are and express this without any desire to achieve. Calligraphy, poetry, and photography were a primary means of expression for Chogyam Trungpa.

GOLD JEWELRY FROM TIBET AND NEPAL

by Jane Casey Singer. 144 pp., 10 x 9", 110 color photos, 20 illus., #GOJE \$35

In Tibet and Nepal, jewelry reflected the owner's personal wealth and social status. A woman's jewelry collection served as a kind of personal financial portfolio. In Buddhism gems connote preciousness, rarity, and supreme refinement, and Tibet's deities were adorned with jewels and gold. Some of the finest examples of gold jewelry are represented hereearrings, ornate jewelry ensembles, and gem-encrusted amulet boxes.

THE GREAT STUPA OF **GYANTSE:** A Complete Tibetan Pantheon of the **Fifteenth Century**

by Franco Ricca & Erberto Lo Bue. 320 pp., 8 1/2 x 12", 112 color and 76 b&w photos, numerous plans, #GRSTGY \$90

THE HIDDEN TRADITION: Life Inside the Great Tibetan Monastery, Tashilhunpo published by the Foreign Languages Press, Beijing. 176 pp., 200 color photos, 9 x 12.5" #HITRA \$69.95

Tashilhunpo, located in Shigatse, the second largest city in Tibet, is one of the four great monasteries of the Gelugpa order. Constructed in the 15th century, it has been the permanent residence of seven Panchen Lamas. These great photos record the life of the monastery and show the magnificence of its architecture, murals, and sculptures.

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A HISTORY OF TIBETAN

by David Jackson. 432 pp., 60

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This richly illustrated work ex-

plores the sacred painting traditions

of Tibet from the mid-15th through

20th centuries on the basis of both the

surviving masterpieces and the exten-

sive written sources that survive in

Tibetan language. The study presents

the great founders of the main

schools of Tibetan painting. Includes

the main Tibetan sources and stud-

ies, both traditional and modern, a

detailed summary of previous West-

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sources and studies (traditional and

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by Jonathan Landaw & Andy Weber. 350 pp., 32 color images and 10 line drawings #IMENL \$24.95 (see General Tibetan Buddhism)

"Among the few guides we have to the immense richness of Tibetan religious art, Images of Enlightenment stands out for the way in which depictions of Buddhist deities are grounded in concise yet detailed descriptions of the meditative practices in which those images would be used. Indeed, this is much more than an art book; it is a potent introduction to Tibetan Buddhism."--Dan Cozort, Dickinson College

...a concise introduction to the fundamental points of tantric Buddhism as practiced in the Tibetan traditions."-The Mirror

'A clear and straightforward guide to the inner world of this sacred art."-NAPRA Trade Journal





Los Angeles County Museum of Art is one of the most comprehensive. Tibetan culture is introduced followed by numerous beautiful images of Tibetan painting, sculpture and ritual objects are presented with expert descriptions of iconography.

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Although conforming to the stylistic conventions of Tibetan Buddhist art, an entire and unique pantheon of deities is revealed as well as the main characteristics and doctrines of Bon, its monastic life, meditational and ritual practices. The iconography of Bon is presented through a series of thangkas, miniatures and bronzes. The peaceful, tutelary, protector and local deities, and the Bon siddhas, lamas and dakinis are fully described.

Kunst Tibets

by Gerd-Wolfgang Essen & Tsering Tashi Thingo, pref. by the Dalai Lama, photos by Hans Meyer-Veden. 299 pp., 206 color photos, 9 x 12", text in German, #DIGO \$50 cloth

The Gerd-Wolfgang Essen Tibetica Collection in Hamburg, Germany contains some of the finest Tibetan antiques preserved anywhere. There are many pieces dating from the 10th century-exquisite and beautifully preserved. The majority of the book contains thangkas and statues that illustrate aspects of: Buddha, Dharma and Sangha as well as Lama, Yidam and Dakini. These are followed by mandalas, a section on Mahakala and Dharmapalas, directional guardians and a section of priceless ritual objects, masks, musical instruments, amulet boxes, and carpets.

The great stupa of Gyantse, about 100 miles southwest of Lhasa, may be the chief wonder of the Tibetan Buddhist world. Within its 75 chapels and temples is nearly the entire pantheon of Indo-Tibetan religion up to the early 15th century. The author explains the structure of the stupa, the iconography of the paintings and statues, and provides a thorough survey of the 75 chapels and temples. This book is very beautifully illustrated and constructed.



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JOURNEY TO ENLIGHTENMENT: The Life and World of Khyentse Rinpoche, Spiritual **Teacher from Tibet**

Text selections & photos by Matthieu Richard. 152 pp., 11 x 9.5", 130 color photos, #JOEN \$45 cloth

Matthieu Richard's photographs, text, and extensive passages from H.H. Dilgo Khyentse Rinpoche's own writings comprise this personal study of one of the most significant teachers of Tibetan Buddhism, his world, and its spirit. Matthieu Richard spent fourteen years as Khyentse Rinpoche's personal assistant and is highly regarded for his scholarship and knowledge of Tibetan religion and culture as well as his outstanding photography.

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THE KATHMANDU VALLEY

photos by Fredrik Arvidsson, text by Kerry Moran. 240 pp. 160 color photos, 11 x 11" #KAVA \$49.95 cloth

Here is the perfect guide to Kathmandu and environs where the ancient and the modern live so inescapably side by side. The photos include temples and holy sites, lush landscapes, diverse ethnic groups, architecture, ritual, art, and scenes from everyday life.

Tibet as it wassome of the first color photos of Tibet!

LABRANG: A Tibetan Buddhist Monastery at the Crossroads of Four Civilizations

by Paul Kocot Nietupski, photos from the Griebenow Archives, 1921-1949, 160 pp. 9 x 8" high, 36 color and 100 b&w photos, illustrations, #LA \$24.95

Labrang Monastery, located in the northeast corner of the Tibetan plateau at the strategic intersection of four major Asian civilizations-Tibetan, Mongolian, Chinese, and Muslim-was one of the largest Buddhist monastic universities in Tibet. In the early twentieth century, the time frame of this book, it housed several thousand monks who studied and practiced the full range of Buddhist doctrines and rituals.

But Labrang was much more than a monastery. Besides being a gathering point for numerous annual religious festivals that drew thousands from near and far, Labrang supported an active regional marketplace where Chinese artisans rubbed shoulders with Hui merchants and nomadic Tibetan highlanders, and was the seat of a Tibetan power base that strove to maintain regional autonomy through the shifting alliances and bloody conflicts that took place between 1700 and 1950.

Author Paul Nietupski draws on the photographs and memoirs of Marion and Blance Griebenow, Christian missionaries resident in the area for nearly twenty-seven years, as well as the memoirs of Apa Alo, a local leader whose family included some of the highest incarnations of Labrang Monastery, to detail Labrang's unique and colorful Tibetan border culture.

"Nietupski's publication of the Griebenow photographs, together with his excellent documentation of them, provides a wonderful introduction to this exquisite monastery, as well as to its people and environs."-Glenn H. Mullin for The Quest

Paul Nietupski, Ph.D. is a scholar of Asian religions and cultures currently teaching in the Department of Religious Studies at John Carroll University in Cleveland, Ohio. His wideranging interest include the transmissions of Buddhism in Medieval Asia and the interfacing of Asian religions and cultures.

LIVING BUDDHISM

by Andrew Powell, photos by Graham Harrison. 200 pp., 150 color plates, 8 1/2 x 11", #LIBUD \$24.95

This is a photographic treasure house that immerses the reader in the landscapes of the Buddhist East-Tibet, China, Japan, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Burma, Nepal, and India. The author and photographer visited Buddhist communities and interviewed some of the religions' leading figures, including the Dalai Lama.

Winner, National **Press Photographers** Assoc. 1995 Award of Excellence!

LIVING TIBET: The Dalai Lama in Dharamsala

Photographs by Bill Warren, Text by Nanci Rose. 138 pp., 160 color photos, 8 x 10 1/2", #LITI \$26.95

"Bill Warren's photographs wonderfully evoke the true spirit of Dharamsala, a place where Tibetan culture is more complete and can be better observed, than in Tibet itself."-Galen Rowell

Living Tibet is an engaging and dramatic exploration of Tibet's rich artistic and cultural heritage as preserved in one of the most successful refugee communities in history. Sheltered by the Himalayas of northern India, Dharamsala has been the home of H.H. the Dalai Lama and the government and cultural headquarters for the Tibetan people since 1960. Photojournalist Bill Warren and writer Nanci Rose take us on a colorful and informative journey through the winding streets and behind the scenes of this unusual place-revealing the rich tapestry of life in Dharamsala. Contains exclusive sections on the Dalai Lama and the Nechung Oracle as well as helpful travel information.

"Living Tibet is a glorious tribute to the magnificent culture of Tibet, but the real magic is in the overwhelmingly wonderful photographs throughout."-New Age Retailer

LOST LHASA: Heinrich Harrer's Tibet

text and photographs by Heinrich Harrer. 224pp. 200 b&w photographs, #LOLH \$24.95

Lost Lhasa is the visual sequel to Heinrich Harrer's classic Seven Years in Tibet.

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MONGOLIA: The Legacy of Chinggis Khan

by Patricia Berger & Terese Tse Bartholomew. 339 pp., 320 illustrations, 237 in color, 9 x 12", #MOLECH \$60 cloth

Drawn from Mongolia's national museums and library, this collection is outstanding! It provides a unique view of Mongolian Tibetan Buddhist life in symbol-rich art forms that reveal the country's spiritual, political, and social beliefs: opulent headdresses; radiant bronze sculptures by the brilliant artist Zanabazar; colorful, exotic ritual masks used in the tsam dance; richly decorated manuscripts and book covers; thangkas; and the spun-gold robe of the Bogdo Khan.



THE MANDALA: Sacred Circle in Tibetan Buddhism by Martin Brauen, foreword by H.H. the Dalai Lama. 152 pp., 9 x 12", 49 color & 62 b&w photos, #MASAP \$25

The mandala serves as a metaphor for the way that all beings and things have their place in the universe. The Mandala provides a thorough study of the different aspects of this sacred art. There are photos of sand mandalas, painted and butter mandalas; diagrams showing the different aspects of the form itself-the significance of the outer circle, the four gates and their qualities, the many details such as vases, sculptures and architectural models, all representations of the principles of the mandala. There are also photos of the Dalai Lama performing the Kalachakra Initiation.

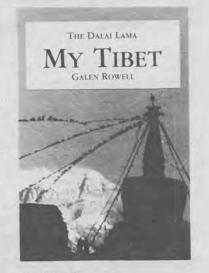


TIBET: Featuring Personal Sacred Objects of the Dalai Lama

by Glenn H. Mullin & Andy Weber, with a foreword by H.H. the Dalai Lama. 176 pp., 8 x 10", #MYARTI \$16.95

"This is not just a catalog of an exhibit, rather it is an introduction to the artistic history of Tibet and the world of its mysticism."-Glenn Mullin

Presents religious and secular arts, including thangka paintings, bronze and silver statues, temple musical instruments, ritual objects, etc. The book has three parts: twenty-one personal items of H.H. the Dalai Lama; ancient pieces from the surviving collection of Drepung Loseling Monastery in India; and a selection of contemporary pieces made by the Tibetan refugees.



MY TIBET

by the Dalai Lama & Galen Rowell. 168 pp., oversize cloth edition, 108 color photos. #MYTIP \$29.95 paper; #MYTI \$40 cloth

His Holiness the Dalai Lama and Galen Rowell have produced a great photographic study of Tibet. Rowell's photos of Tibet are remarkable in quality and composition. His Holiness has written the captions for the photos and also essays about world peace, the environment, the meaning of pilgrimage and on his early life in Tibet



NOMADS OF WESTERN **TIBET:** The Survival of a Way of Life

by Melvyn Goldstein and Cynthia Beall. 192 pp., 190 color photos, #NOWETI \$24.95

For 16 months between 1986-88, Melvyn Goldstein and Cynthia Beall lived and studied in a community of roughly 300 western Tibetan nomads. This copiously illustrated book is an intimate and fascinating account of these remarkable people, of their tradition and struggle for cultural survival.

FROM MANCHURIA TO TIBET A Quarter Century of Exploration



by Wong How Man with Julie Gaw 246 pp., 11 x 11", 281 color photos, 2 maps, #FRMATI \$49.95 cloth

Provides an impressive, rare glimpse of ethnic groups whose lives and customs mirror the enchanting, but often brutal, environments in which they live. From Manchuria and Mongolia to the Silk Road and the Tibetan Plateau, traditions carry on as they have for centuries. The focus here is on the diversity and interconnectedness of unique peoples in beautiful unusual landscapes. Delves into the history, traditions, stories and dreams of colorful indigenous peoples and their surroundings-often in formidable terrain.

THE LAST FORBIDDEN KINGDOM: Mustang, Land of Tibetan Buddhism

Photos by Vannessa Boeye, text by Clara Marullo. 156 pp., 100 full-color photographs, 11 x 11", #LAFOKI \$40 cloth

In 1992 the doors to Mustang were unlocked and a few foreigners made the arduous trek to photograph and write about this fabled land. This book is a riveting account of the authors' experience and a unique view of the society that exists there. It is an evocative visual record of some of the most dramatic and beautiful landscape in the world.



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Editors pick— The best photobook of Tibetan culture!

THE SPIRIT OF TIBET: Portrait of a Culture in Exile photographs and text by Alison Wright, foreword by H.H. the Dalai Lama. 200 pages, 180 color photos, 9 1/2" high x 10" wide, #SPTI \$34.95

This visually stunning, full-color portrait of Tibetan life in exile displays the spirit of Tibetan refugees living in the beautiful mountain settings of northern India. It shows how Tibetans have preserved the best of their unique culture and identity. Aided by their Buddhist faith, the Tibetan people have rebuilt productive lives for themselves, and live today in thriving communities with a strong sense of purpose: to preserve and maintain the ancient Buddhist tradition which forms the core of Tibetan culture. In this sense, Tibetan refugees have managed more than mere survival: they have created a Tibet in exile that is in many ways more truly Tibetan than their occupied homeland.

These extraordinary images portray skilled Tibetan artists creating paintings, statues, and wood carvings; Tibetan doctors with their herbal remedies and pulse diagnoses; opera singers; young Tibetan children and lay people in their daily lives; monks and nuns engaged in study and practice; examples of Tibetan architecture and majestic mountain scenes.

Alison Wright's photographs capture the indomitable resiliency of the Tibetan people as they have survived the ordeal of exile with humor and determination, and with their perspective intact. Their inner strength and courage when faced with the loss of everything they have ever known is inspiring and forms the essence of this book.

"Her compositions are stunning, the color and light with which she adeptly enflames her subjects exude both strength and intimacy."—John Flinn, San Francisco Examiner

"There are many collections of Tibetan images available these days, but Ms. Wright's work should be the first one you buy."—S.A. Hunt

"I am writing to thank you for your beautiful book, *The Spirit of Tibet*. I was moved to tears the first few times I went through it."—L. Mastelotto





RUTHLESS COMPASSION: Wrathful Deities in Early Indo-Tibetan Esoteric Buddhist Art

by Rob Linrothe. 368 pp., 221 b&w and 16 color illustrations, oversize, #RUCO \$55 cloth

The author reconstructs the development of early esoteric Buddhism through the potent image of the wrathful deity. Vajrayana Buddhists understand that these wrathful spirits represent inherent qualities of our own, and that meditation on these figures can transmute the otherwise malevolent sides of our own natures into positive qualities and actions. Art objects provide precious clues as to the early development of esoteric Buddhism in India, about which few early texts survive. Through careful examination of a large body of images as well as Sanskrit, Tibetan, and Indic texts, this lavishly illustrated volume traces the evolution of the forms and the unfolding significance of the wrathful deity in esoteric Buddhist sculpture.

SACRED MOUNTAINS OF ASIA

ed. by John Einarsen. 151 pp., 8 1/2 x 11" 135 b&w photos and illus. #SAMOAS \$16

"To see the greatness of a mountain, one must keep one's distance; to understand its form, one must move around it; to experience its moods, one must see it at sunrise and sunset, at noon and at midnight, in sun and in rain, through all the seasons. He who can see the mountain like this comes near to the life of the mountain."—Lama Anagarika Govinda

Twenty-nine pieces celebrate many sacred peaks through prose, art, photographs, poetry and spiritual texts.



SACRED VISIONS: Early Paintings from Central Tibet

by Steven M. Kossak & Jane Casey Singer, with essay by Robert Bruce-Gardner. 240 pp., 149 illus., 134 in color, map, glossary, biblio., index, 9 x 12", #SAVI \$70 cloth

A major exhibition of Tibetan thangkas at the Metropolitan Museum of Art is featured here. The authors discuss the individual works in reference to their style, iconography, provenance, and date. This collection and discussion documents the way that Indian, Nepalese and Chinese styles influenced the early thangka painting in Tibet and shows how Tibetans begin to synthesize by the fifteenth century a truly indigenous mode of expression.

SECRET VISIONS OF THE FIFTH DALAI LAMA: The Gold Manuscript in the Fournier Collection, Musee Guimet, Paris

by Samten Gyaltsen Karmay, fore. by H.H. the Dalai Lama. 142 pp., 92 color illus., glossary, biblio, index, 10 x 13" #SEVIFI \$50 paper

This work recounts in words and images the visionary experiences of the Great Fifth Dalai Lama, Ngawang Lobzang Gyamtso (1617-1682). Although this Dalai Lama was known as a statesman, this book reveals his inner world of profound mysticism, magical powers and often disturbing visions. It is a guide to the complex interweaving of the various gods, goddesses, protectors, teachers, demons and spirits who populated his consciousness. They provide him with instructions, warnings, exhortations on his spiritual development and on the conduct of his government. The illustrations represent the finestknown quality in the miniature style of Tibetan art and stand as the earliest manifestation of the black thangka style of painting.



THE STUPA: Sacred Symbol of Enlightenment

Crystal Mirror Series Vol. 12, ed. by Elizabeth Cook. 437 pp., 218 photos, 140 in color, 7 x 10" #STSASY \$35 The book on stupas! Traditional



TABO: A Lamp for the Kingdom

by Deborah E. Klimburg-Salter. 256 pp., 225 illustrations, 150 in color, 9 1/2 x 11", #TALAKI \$75 cloth

The monastery of Tabo in northern India is in the secluded Spiti valley, which was part of the ancient kingdom of Western Tibet. The oldest continuously operating Buddhist enclave in India and the Himalayas, Tabo's role as an intermediary between India and Tibet and the extraordinary beauty of its frescoes make it a special place.

The author describes the art, iconography, and contemporary rituals of Tabo with the aid of photographs, plans, and diagrams. The color photos show Tabo's hidden glories and history.

TARA'S COLORING BOOK

by Andy Weber & Nigel Wellings. 12 line drawings, oversize, #TACOBO \$12.95

A book of twelve exquisite line drawings of famous Tibetan icons— Buddha, Chenrezig, Tara, Manjushri and others with instructions on how to color the drawings.

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by Diana Myers. 111 pp., large format, 83 b&w and color photos #TEHOHO \$27.50

Tibetan rugs in this photo book had a unique role as objects of both the sacred and the secular realms. They were used in temples, in homes of rich and poor alike, and on horseback. The rugs are notable for their supreme, lively sense of rhythm and color.

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TIBET

by Pietro F. Mele; intro. by Michael C. van Walt van Praag. 9 1/2 x 9 1/2," B&W Photos, #TIM \$7.95 cloth (was \$25)

"Mr. Mele deserves to be congratulated for bringing out this album. I am impressed with his book."—H. H. the Dalai Lama

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PILGRIM: Photographs by Richard Gere

with a foreword by H.H. the Dalai Lama, an intro. by Richard Gere and a poem by Patti Smith. 144 pp., 12 x 13," 64 b&w photos, map, #PI \$75 cloth

Richard Gere has for many years been one of the most outspoken defenders of the Tibetan people. As a student and friend of the Dalai Lama, he has made numerous journeys throughout India, Nepal, Zanskar, and Tibet. He has begun showing his photographs in museums and galleries around the world to universal acclaim. Gere's photographs are striking and atmospheric. Reproduced on luxurious, uncoated stock, in an oversized format, Pilgrim draws the viewer within the aura of this spiritually vital world through Gere's personal vision. Through the subtle use of light and (in some photos) blurred motion, his photos reveal the innerscape of the people.

THE SAND MANDALA OF VAJRABHAIRAVA

by Daniel Cozort with the monks of Namgyal Monastery. 40 pp., 4 color photos, 30 b&w photos, 9 x 8[#], #SAMAVA \$8.95

Mandalas are perhaps the world's richest religious symbols, intricate designs that in Buddhism symbolize the ideal worlds of Buddhas and the many facets of Buddhist teachings. This book explains the symbolism of the colorful mandala of Buddha Vajrabhairava (wrathful form of the Buddha of Wisdom-Manjushri) created in sand by monks of Namgyal Monastery (the Dalai Lama's personal monastery). It places mandala-making in the context of Buddhist tantra and describes the process whereby a mandala is planned, executed and finally dismantled.

texts and prayers, historical anecdotes, architectural sketches, and an in-depth exploration of the eight great stupa forms with over 200 photographs of stupas from around the world present the vast and rich tradition of knowledge associated with the stupa.

THE ENCYCLOPEDIA OF TIBETAN SYMBOLS AND MOTIFS

by Robert Beer. 400 pp., line art throughout, 9 x 12", #SYMOTI \$60 cloth

For artists, designers, or anyone interested in Tibetan art, this is an exhaustive reference to the variety of symbols found throughout Tibetan art—in line drawings, paintings, thangkas, and ritual objects. Hundreds of Robert Beer's drawings depict animals, flowers, plants, teachers, mudras, dragons, offerings, geometric borders, etc. Professor Giuseppe Tucci in the 40s.

In his introduction, Michael van Walt, Dutch expert in international law, updates the reader on the major events in Tibet that have occurred since Mele traveled.

TIBET: Journey to the Forbidden City (Retracing the Steps of Alexandra David-Neel)

by Tiziana and Gianni Baldizzone. 160 pp. 148 photos, 133 in color, 10 x 14", #TLJOFO \$40.00

Photographers Tiziana and Gianni Baldizzone traveled to places in Tibet visited by Alexandra David-Neel seventy-plus years before to "give color" to the places that have inspired her work. More than 145 illustrations showing in great detail the panoramic landscapes, the faces and expressions of individual people, and the brilliant dress styles of the people of Kham and Amdo.

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TIBET: Land of Mystery ed. by Sun Jie. 160 pp., full color, 11 x 13" #TILAMY \$60 cloth

This book is a photgraphic knockout. Many large and double page photographs that are rich and dramatic these photos are remarkable in their portrayal of Tibet.

TIBET: THE SACRED REALM

text by Lobsang Lhalungpa. 159pp. 140 b&w photos, 40 illus., 11 x 9", #TISARE \$27.50

Tibet: The Sacred Realm is a handsome collection of rare photographs of pre-invasion Tibet taken by European travelers and explorers around the turn of the century. It is chronicled by Lobsang Lhalungpa and is highly recommended.



TIBETAN ART: Toward a Definition of Style

by Jane Casey Singer and Philip Denwood. 320 pp. 9 x 12", 341 illustrations, 257 in color, 2 maps, #TIAR \$100 cloth

This book provides the most comprehensive coverage of Tibetan art yet published. Illustrated with works of an unprecedented range and quality, all the major types of Tibetan art are presented: painting, sculpture, textiles, architecture and cave drawings. The essays are based on papers of the muchcelebrated international symposium on Tibetan art organized by the School of Oriental and African Studies in association with the Victoria and Albert Museum. We are impressed!

THE TIBETAN ART COLOR-ING BOOK: A Joyful Path to Right Brain Enlightenment art by J. Jamyang Singe. 16 pp., 0.100 JULY 1000 11405

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ll", 36 photos, most in color, #TIBUAL \$8

This unusual museum catalog records the construction, decoration and consecration (by the Dalai Lama) of the Tibetan Altar at the Newark Museum. The contents of this elaborate shrine are extensively described—it was traditionally constructed and contains the requisite items for practice.

TIBETAN COLLECTION: Sculpture and Painting

by Valrae Reynolds, Amy Heller, Janet Gyatso. 208 pp. #MATICS3 \$20

Based on the excellent art collection at the Newark Museum, this book contains photos of sculpture metal, wood, ivory, lacquer, stone and clay; thangkas—painted, appliqued and embroidered; wall paintings; and iconography—body positions, gestures, and symbols associated with deities. Janet Gyatso has written an excellent chapter on "Image as Presence: The Place of Art in Tibetan Religious Thinking."

TIBETAN RUGS

by Hallvard Kuley. 236 pp., 265 color, 6 b&w plates, 117 b&w illus., 7.5 x 8", #TIRU \$35.95

This first comprehensive classification of Tibetan rugs presents a coherent picture of the rug tradition of Tibet. 258 rugs are illustrated in color accompanied by measurements and details as to the weaving techniques, knot counts, etc.





TIBETAN THANGKA PAINTING: Methods & Materials

by David & Janice Jackson with art & appendix by Robert Beer. 216 pp., 73 photos, 500 line dwgs., 8 1/4 x 11 3/4", #TITHPA \$40

"An indispensable reference manual for anyone who is interested in Tibetan art."—Parabola

"Absolutely incredible book, highly recommended."—Circle of Light

Tibetan Thangka Painting is the only detailed description of the techniques and principles of the sacred art of Tibetan thangka painting. The authors researched the subject for over ten years, making five journeys to Nepal and India and learning from twenty traditional painters. It is a step by step guide from the preparation of the canvas to the final syllables behind each completed figure. This revised edition includes an appendix of guidelines for using modern techniques and commercially available materials.

TIBETAN VOICES: A Traditional Memoir

photos by Brian Harris, written & ed. by Heather Wardle, Elizabeth Cass, Iain Marrs, George Koller. 8 3/4" x 11" wide, 150 pp., 50 photos, #TIVO \$31.95

Brian Harris has combined images of Himalayan Buddhist culture with memoir-style accounts of Tibetan elders in India and the West—the photos and text are rich and moving. Royalties are being donated to Seva Service Society, The Tibetan Health Education Organisation, The Nuns Project and Delek Hospital Aid Foundation.



A Struggle to Survive by Steve Lehman. 200 pp., 125 illustrations, 90 in color, 10 x 9",

#TISTSU \$45 cloth This is a beautiful but disquieting portrait of the splendor and ruin that mark contemporary Tibet. Awardwinning photojournalist Steve Lehman travels beyond the mountain vistas and timeless temples to uncover a different Tibet-a Tibet of lumberyards and uranium mines, of brothels and discos, of demolished temples and burned-out police stations. Documented over a ten year period, Lehman makes real the grave beauty of this culture torn by political conflict. Extensive quotes culled from hundreds of interviews with Tibetans augment the evocative color images, along with maps, propaganda and religious iconography.



TIBET'S HIDDEN WILDERNESS: Wildlife and Nomads of the Chang Tang Reserve

text and photographs by George B. Schaller. 168pp., 134 color photographs, #TIHIWI \$45 cloth

George Schaller sought to chronicle and study the many rare and elusive animals that inhabit this remote and arid region in north-central Tibet, and *Tibet's Hidden Wilderness* is a record of his experiences and observations there. It introduces the Chang Tang's extroardinary landscape, wildlife, and nomadic peoples and concludes with a conservational plan that supports the harmonious interaction of Chang Tang's indigenous peoples and wildlife.

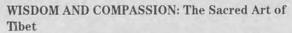
TREASURES OF TIBETAN ART: The Collections of the Jacques Marchais Museum of Tibetan Art

by Barbara Lipton & Nima Dorjee Ragnubs. 295 pp., 81 color photos, 109 b&w photos, 8 1/2 x 11", #TRTIAR \$32

The most important works from the renowned collection are beautifully illustrated and described in this volume of Tibetan art from Tibet, China, Mongolia and Nepal. They include sculptures and thangkas depicting the Buddha, arhats, lamas, meditational deities, bodhisattvas, protector and guardian deities, ritual objects, musical instruments, jewelry, and decorative objects. The essays contribute new information on Tibetan culture, iconography, history, and folklore.

Two Great Art Books from Marylin Rhie & Robert Thurman





by Marylin Rhie & Robert Thurman, photos by John Taylor. 488 pp., 353 illus., 338 in full color, 9 x 12", #WICO \$75 cloth

This landmark volume illustrates, explains, and celebrates hundreds of the finest and most beautiful examples of Tibetan



TIBETAN NOMADS by Schuyler Jones. 463 pp., over 200 illus., 100 in color, 9 x 11" #TINO \$50 cloth

This is the first book to place the material culture of the Tibetan people in a cultural and environmental context and examines Tibetan nomadism and the trade networks throughout Asia. The National Museum of Denmark has an outstanding collection of everyday objects: clothing, jewelry, weapons, musical instruments, tools, armor, religious objects, agricultural implements, horse and yak trappings—these plus photos of nomadic life give a view into the lives of these peoples.

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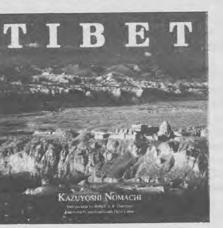
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APPARITIONS OF THE SELF: The Secret Autobiographies of a Tibetan Visionary

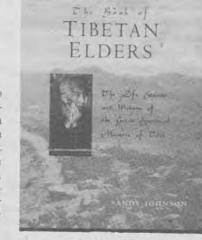
by Janet Gyatso. 360pp. #APSE \$39.50 cloth, \$18.95 paper #APSEP

In this volume, Janet Gyatso focuses on the two secret autobiographies of the visionary Jigme Lingpa (1730-1798), whose poetic and selfconscious writings are as much about the nature of his own identity, memory, and the variability of autobiographical truth as they are narrations of the actual content of his experiences. Gyatso places the Tibetan autobiography in a dialog with Western literary theory, explores Jigme Lingpa's historical milieu, his visions, his meditative practices, and also investigates the unsettling role of the "dakini" for the autobiographical subject in Tibetan religious literature.

ATISHA AND TIBET: Life and Works of Dipamkara Srijnana in relation to the History and Religion of Tibet with Tibetan Sources

by Alaka Chattopadhyaya, trans. under Prof. Lama Chimpa. 593 pp. #ATTI \$23.95 cloth

Here is a comprehensive account of the baffling personality of the great Bengali Pandit Atisha also known as Dipamkara Srijnana, the great teacher and reformer of Tibetan Buddhism. After telling his life story, the author presents the Tibetan account of their own history and the place of Atisha in it. This is followed by biographical material on Atisha from Tibetan sources such as Brom-ston-pa, and selected teachings of Atisha that are available in English and a listing of those only available in Tibetan.



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Dolpopa Sherab Gyaltsen (1292-1361) was one of the most important figures in Tibetan history and perhaps the greatest expert on the tantric teachings of the Kalachakra Tantra. Based largely upon esoteric Buddhist knowledge believed to be preserved in Shambhala, Dolpopa's theories continue to excite controversy in Tibetan Buddhism after almost 700 years.

Dolpopa emphasized two contrasting definitions of the Buddhist teachings of emptiness: "emptiness of selfnature," which applies only to the level of relative truth, and "emptiness of other," which applies only to the level of absolute truth. Dolpapa identified ultimate reality as the Buddhanature inherent in all living beings. This view of an "emptiness of other," known in Tibetan as Zhentong, is Dolpopa's main spiritual legacy. Contained here are translations of major works by Dolpopa which present his view of the path and a summation of his ideas.

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These beautifully illustrated stories of the Mahasiddhas, men and women who attained enlightenment and magical powers by both disregarding convention and penetrating to the core of life, reveal a way through human suffering into a spontaneous and free state of oneness with the divine.



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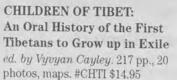
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DILGO KHYENTSE RINPOCHE

by Editions Padmakara. 16 pp., 8 color and b&w photos, #DIKHRI \$9.95

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Born in 1933, Palden Gyatso was ordained as a Buddhist monk at the age of eighteen. Through sheer determination, he won a place as a student at Drepung Monastery, one of Tibet's "Three Greats," where he came to spiritual and intellectual maturity. In 1959, along with thousands of other monks, Palden Gyatso was forced into labor camps and prisons. He would spend the next thirty-three years of his life being tortured, interrogated, and persecuted simply for being a monk.

After his release from prison in 1992, Palden Gyatso escaped across the Himalayas to India, smuggling with him the instruments of his torture. Since then, he has devoted himself to revealing the extent of Chinese oppression in Tibet and the atrocities he endured.

A western wontan's quest for Enlightenment by Vicki Mackenzie. #CASN \$14.95 paper Tells how an Englishwoman, the daughter of a fishmonger from London's east end, has become a spiritual leader and a champion of the

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FOREST RECOLLECTIONS: Wandering Monks in Twentieth-Century Thailand by Kamala Tiyavanich. 410 pp., 8 maps and charts #FORE \$29.95

During the first half of this century the forests of Thailand were home to wandering ascetic monks. They were Buddhists, but their brand of Buddhism found expression in living in the forest and in contending with the mental and physical challenges of hunger, pain, fear, and desire. Combining interviews and biographies with an exhaustive knowledge of archival materials and modern resources, the author documents the monastic lives of three generations of forest-dwelling ascetics. ed. by David Snellgrove. 302 pp., plus 46 b&w plates, fold-out map, #FOLA \$21.

This unusual volume presents the autobiographies of four Tibetan lamas in the land of Dolpo, which was part of Western Tibet. Three of them were born in the 16th century, and one in the 17th. These life stories were dictated by the lamas themselves in response to the disciples' requests and one hand-written copy was preserved. Snellgrove's introduction describes religious practices in Dolpo-which are practically unchanged for a thousand years.

A GARLAND OF IMMORTAL WISH-FULFILLING TREES

by The Venerable Tsering Lama Jampal Zangpo, Trans. by Sangye Khandro. 187 pp. 23 plates, 14 in color, #GAWIFU \$15.95

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THE GREAT DISCIPLES OF THE BUDDHA: Their Lives, Their Works, Their Legacy by Nyanaponika Thera and Hellmuth Hecker. 448 pp. #GRDIBU \$29.95 October

In this book, twenty-four of the Buddha's most distinguished disciples are brought to life in ten chapters of rich narration. Drawn from a wide range of Pali sources, the material in these stories has never before been assembled in a single volume. These stories sharpen our understanding of the Buddhist path through the people who fulfilled the early Buddhist ideals of human perfection.

HIDDEN TREASURES AND SECRET LIVES

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by Michael Aris. 278 pp. #HITR \$19.95 cloth

This is a study of the lives of Pemalingpa (1450-1521) and the Sixth Dalai Lama. Pemalingpa was a rediscoverer of hidden texts (terma) and an uncle of the Sixth Dalai Lama. This Dalai Lama is best remembered for his rebellious life and love poetry.

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HOUSE OF THE TURQUOISE ROOF

by Dorje Yuthok, trans. & edited by Michael Harlin, foreword by Heinrich Harrer. 330 pp., photos #HOTURO \$16.95

"...a superior book."-The Tibel Journal

Dorje Yuthok offers readers a fascinating account of life in upper-class Lhasa. This frank autobiography of a noblewoman describes life in Lhasa before the Chinese occupation. It is also a quiet, dignified description of women's status in the family and the community. The author possesses an insider's view of the highest government circles-both her father and her husband were cabinet ministers, and her brother served as prime minister. Her outlook on life is grounded in the Buddhist practice she learned as a close disciple of well-known lamas and spiritual teachers.

"Dorje Yuthok's book, rich in vignettes of the quotidian life of Tibetan aristocrats prior to the Chinese invasion, reflects a sensitivity to readers' interests in finely drawn portraits of Tibetan social interaction, ritual observances, and material culture. Yuthok's detailed descriptions of the intimacies of family life deftly convey the immediacy of her experience to readers."-Marcia Calkowski, The Journal of Asian Studies



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JOURNEY TO **ENLIGHTENMENT:** The Life and World of Khyentse Rinpoche, **Spiritual Teacher from Tibet** text selections & photos by

Matthieu Ricard. 152 pp., 11 x 9 1/2", 130 color photos, #JOEN \$45 cloth (see Art & Photography)

LADY OF THE LOTUS-BORN: The Life and Enlightenment of Yeshe Tsogyal

by Gyalwa Changchub and Namkhai Nyingpo, trans. by Padmakara. 176 pp. #LALOBO \$29.95 cloth

The first Tibetan Buddhist to attain enlightenment was probably Yeshe Tsogyal, the female consort of Padmasambhava. Her biography is a colorful and intriguing picture of Tibet at the beginning of the Buddhist era-a time of upheaval, when royal patronage was striving to foster the new teachings in the face of powerful opposition. These profound teachings are offset by episodes of exploit and adventure, spiritual endeavor, court intrique and personal encounters.

THE LIFE OF GAMPOPA: the Incomparable Dharma Lord of Tibet

by Jampa Mackenzie Stewart, illus. by Eva van Dam, intro. by Lobsang P. Lhalungpa. 175 pp. #LIGA \$12.95

Here is the first complete life story of Gampopa, the foremost disciple of Milarepa and forefather of the Kagyu lineages. It is said that over 50,000 disciples gathered around him after his enlightenment. Compiled from numerous Tibetan biographies, this comprehensive and inspiring rendition highlights the extraordinary details of Gampopa's advanced meditative experiences, and presents direct insights into the practice and realization of Mahamudra. Beautiful drawings by Dutch artist Eva van Dam illustrate this compelling and moving tale. A history of the Kagyu lineage by Lobsang P. Lhalungpa supplements the story of Gampopa's life, and provides the fullest possible picture of the development of the Kagyu lineages of Tibetan Buddhism.

"J.M. Stewart has rendered a great service by collecting all the available and often divergent information about Gampopa and presenting a plausible synthesis of known facts."-Georg Feuerstein for Quest Magazine

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LIFE OF MARPA THE TRANSLATOR

by the Nalanda Translation Committee. 320 pp. #LIMA \$16

Marpa exemplifies the ideal of the person who devotes himself to spirituality without neglecting his worldly obligations. He was the student of Naropa and teacher of Milarepa. This biography paints a vivid picture of the young Tibetan's three journeys to India to study the Buddhist teachings. Despite many hardships, he mastered the tantric teachings, translated Sanskrit texts into Tibetan and established the Kagyu lineage.

THE LIFE OF MILAREPA by Lobsang Lhalungpa. 220 pp.

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Milarepa's life is the most beloved story of the Tibetan people and one of the greatest source books for the contemplative life in all of the world's literature. It presents the quest for spiritual perfection, tracing the path of a great sinner who became a great saint. It is also a powerful and graphic tale, full of magic, disaster, feuds, and humor.

THE LIFE OF SHABKAR: Autobiography of a Tibetan Yogin

trans. by Matthieu Ricard, intro. by the Dalai Lama. 650 pp. #LISH \$24.95

The Life of Shabkar has long been recognized by Tibetans as a master work about a Tibetan yogi Following his inspired youth ing in Amdo in **FRIN** guidar **OUT OF** at extrao Budd **OUT** esters, Shabkar trainunder the a extraordinary sters, Shabkar Tsodruk Bud Rangarol devoted himself to years of solitary meditation. With determination, he mastered the most esoteric Dzogchen practices. He then wandered far and wide over the Himalayan region living his realization.

THE LIVES AND LIBERATION OF PRINCESS **MANDARAVA:** The Indian **Consort of Padmasambhava** trans. by Lama Chonam &

Sangye Khandro. 224 pp., #LILIPR \$16.95

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THE LOTUS-BORN: The Life Story of Padmasambhava

by Yeshe Tsogyal, foreword by H.H. Dilgo Khyentse. 264 pp. #LOBOP \$20

This biography of Tibetan Buddhism's founder, Padmasambhava (755-797), was written by his most important female student. A combination of history and legend, the book narrates the story of this outstanding spiritual person and also contains instructions and advice that he gave for future generations. Included is a commentary by Tsele Natsok Rangdrol, a seventeenthcentury author.





THE GREAT KAGYU MASTERS

trans. by Khenpo Konchog Gyaltshen, ed. by Victoria Huckenpahler. 240 pp. #GRKAMA \$14.95

"A golden treasure, this single volume contains fascinating life stories of many enlightened masters, who are important not only in the Kagyu lineage, but are the crown jewels of the Buddhist world. Starting with Vajradhara and Shakyamuni Buddha, the sources of the lineage, the book then expounds upon the outer and inner biographies of Kagyu lineage masters, including Tilopa, Naropa, Marpa, Milarepa, Atisha, Gampopa and others."-Tulku Thondup Rinpoche.



I GIVE YOU MY LIFE: The Autobiography of a Western **Buddhist Nun**

by Ayya Khema, trans. by Sherab Chodzin Kohn. 240 pp., 42 b&w photos, #GIMYLI \$23 cloth

Ayya Khema (1923-1997) was the first Western woman to become a Theravadan Buddhist nun. She has served as a model and inspiration for women from all the Buddhist traditions. Though her renown as a teacher is widespread, few know the amazing details of her life before her monastic ordination at the age of 58. She was a Jew in Berlin during the Nazi era, escaped to Scotland, moved to China, survived the Japanese invasion of China, moved to California, travelled the Amazon, studied in Boliva, built a power plant in Pakistan and created the first Australian organic farm. After meeting spiritual teachers in India, her Buddhist practice began.



LIFE OF THE MAHASIDDHA TILOPA 86 pp. #LIMATI \$9.95

Thought to have been composed in the 11th century by Marpa, this account of the complete liberation of Tilopa is accompanied by a transliteration of the original Tibetan text.

The Story of Venerable Ngagpa Yeshe Dorje Rinpoche

by Marsha Woolf & Karen Blanc. 106 pp., 19 color photos plus other illustrations, #RA \$16.95

This is the life story of one of Tibet's foremost spiritual practitioners who is famous for his ability to summon and stop rain. In Tibet, he meditated in caves and remote places and was dependent on the support of local people who he helped by summoning and preventing rain-very important in a country where drought and violent hailstorms are major disasters. Yeshe Dorje Rinpoche was often asked by the Dalai Lama to help with the weather during large outdoor teachings.

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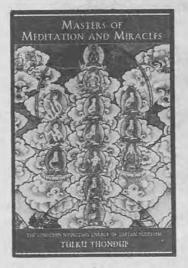
LUNGTA #10: THE LIVES OF THE PANCHEN LAMAS 35 pp. b&w photographs, magazine format #LUN \$7.95

This magazine, published by the Amne Machen Institute, is a forum devoted to articles and essays that contribute to the study and preservation of Tibetan secular and religious culture-and provides a wide range of views and opinions. This issue includes biographies on the lives of the Panchen Lamas (especially the last two), the relationship between the Panchen Lamas and the British and Chinese, the story of the persecution of the last Panchen Lama, and an article by Wei Jingsheng on China's top political prison-the infamous Qincheng No.1



MASTERS OF MAHAMUDRA: Songs and Histories of the Eighty-Four **Buddhist Siddhas** by Keith Dowman. 454 pp. #MAMA \$21.95

These eighty-four masters who led unconventional lives include some of the greatest Buddhist teachers: Tilopa, Naropa, and Marpa among them. Keith Dowman translated their songs of realization and the legends about them and gives a commentary on each of the Great Adepts.



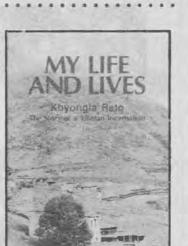
MEMOIRS OF A TIBETAN LAMA by Lobsang Gyatso, translated

and edited by Ven. Dr. Gareth Sparham, 328 pp., #METILA \$16.95

A Tibetan patriot and unswerving follower of the Dalai Lama, Lobsang Gyatso emerges from these memoirs as a master storyteller, a fearless social critic, and a devoted Buddhist monk. With unusual wit and realism he provides a picture of his country from the perspective of a common Tibetan, recounting his early life in Kham as a herder and rambunctious young monk, his travels to Lhasa, his life in one of Tibet's most famous monasteries, and his flight into exile. Lobsang Gyatso's story is about the hopes and aspirations of a man trying to live up to higher ideals while dealing openly with the pettiness and violence in the monasteries. It is also the story of the fall of Tibet seen through the eyes of a fearless patriot. Always outspoken, the problem with Tibetans, he writes, was their overblown belief in Buddhism and in the specialness of their country. Although he had only told his story as far as 1962 before he was murdered in 1997, the book constitutes a moving statement against sectarianism and rigid conformity. In his life story, one sees the unique culture and people of Tibet as they are, not as part of myth, and the record of a life that embodied Buddhist truth.

Lobsang Gyatso was born in south-eastern Tibet in 1928. He was an unusual mix of the traditional and the modern. He was an unswerving follower of the Dalai Lama but scoffed at the posturing of incarnate lamas and never went to public tantric teachings. He was a product of Drepung Monastery but was not loved by Gelukpa luminaries. He never learned English and had no interest in Dharma centers yet founded an Institute which attracted a number of Western practitioners and academics.

Lobsang Gyatso was murdered, in his room at the Buddhist Dialectic Institute with two of his students, in the late winter of 1997. The motive is thought to involve his unswerving support for the Dalai Lama's views.



OLD PATH WHITE CLOUDS: Walking in the Footsteps of the Buddha

by Thich Nhat Hanh. 600 pp, 40 drawings #OLPAWH \$25

This is a biography of the Buddha drawn directly from 24 Pali, Sanskrit, and Chinese sources, and retold by Thich Nhat Hanh in his inimitable and beautiful style. It traces the Buddha's 'ife, slowly and gently over the course of 80 years and 600 pages, partly through the eyes of Svasti, the buffalo boy who provided kusha grass for the Buddha's enlightenment cushion, and partly through the eyes of the Buddha himself. It brings to life the story of the Buddha in a most vibrant way.

PORTRAIT OF A DALAI LAMA: The Life and Times of the Great Thirteenth by Sir Charles Bell. 460 pp. #PODALA \$22.95

The author was the British political representative to Tibet during the crucial early years of this century. Fluent in Tibetan, he became closely associated with the Thirteenth Dalai Lama and the turbulent affairs of that time. This is an immensely readable personal account of the life of this great Tibetan leader and the events that helped shape modern Tibet.

REBORN IN THE WEST: The Reincarnation Masters

by Vicki Mackenzie. 213 pp. #REWE \$13.95

Among the wealth of information that currently fuels the reincarnation debate, there is one story that towers above the rest. For the first time "reincarnation masters" (tulkus) are appearing in the West. Vicki Mackenzie seeks them out and tells their stories-how they were identified and what their mission is. Nine western tulkus are presented.



REINCARNATION: The Boy Lama by Vicki Mackenzie. 183 pp., 15

color photos, #REBOLA \$16.95 Tells the extraordinary story of an apparently ordinary Spanish child who, at the age of 14 months, was recognized by the Dalai Lama as the

THE SECRET LIVES OF ALEXANDRA DAVID-NEEL: A Biography of the Explorer of Tibet and Its Forbidden Practices

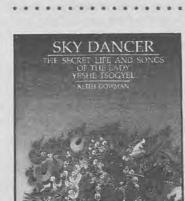
by Barbara and Michael Foster. 329 pp., 26 b&w photos, 2 maps, #SELIAL \$32.50 cloth

Alexandra David-Neel was the first European to explore Tibet at a time when foreigners were banned. In Tibet and Sikkim, she lived among hermits and shamans, bandits and pilgrims. She had a torrid love affair with the handsome Maharajah of Sikkim and studied with a genuine master in the Himalayas. David-Neel knew firsthand the Tibet of magic and mystery, the secret mystical practices of Tibetan Buddhism including out-ofbody travel, telepathy, vampiric Shamanism, and tantric sex.

SIDDHARTHA

by Hermann Hesse, trans. by Joachim Neugroschel. 176 pp. #SI \$5.95

Siddhartha is the story of a young Brahman's search for ultimate reality after meeting with the Buddha. His quest takes him from a life of profligacy to ascetisism, through sensual love, wealth and fame to the painful struggles with his son and the ultimate wisdom of renunciation.





SKY DANCER: The Secret Life and Songs of the Lady Yeshe Tsogyel by Keith Dowman, fore. by

Trinley Norbu Rinpoche, illustrations by Eva van Dam. 400 pp., indexes, #SKDA \$18.95

Yeshe Tsogyel, consort of Guru Padmasambhava, is the most famous of the enlightened women of Tibet. Women have a special place in tantra but except for Sky Dancer there are few writings that present the spiritual practices and evolution of female aspirants. Here, women are in an eminent position, and a path of practice is given for initiates to emulate. Tsogyel's experiences and detailed instructions are very relevant for today Keith Dowman has added a commentary on the path of inner tantra, woman and the dakini, the Nyingma lineages.

Tales of

Uncle Tompa

The Legendary Rascal of Tibet

Rinjing Dorje



TIBET IS MY COUNTRY: An Autobiography of Thubten Jigme Norbu, Brother of the Dalai Lama, as Told to **Heinrich Harrer**

trans. by Edward Fitzgerald. 276 pp. #TICO \$16.95

For many years Heinrich Harrer kept a close friendship with Thubten Norbu and together they wrote this autobiography of Norbu's own life and the last decades of free Tibet's history.

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TIBET: MY STORY

by Jetsun Pema. 304pp. #TIMYST \$14.95

Jetsun Pema, younger sister of H.H. the Dalai Lama. tobiographic Lana DUT fore the SOLD OUT ts an aubet beupation. She presents her story from her childhood, growing up with her brother in preinvasion Tibet, to her work today as a minister in the Tibetan government. She provides a first-hand account of some of the most turbulent years in her country's history as well as documenting the ongoing work for a free Tibet.

THE TWELVE DEEDS: A Brief Life Story of Tonpa

Shenrab, the Founder of the **Bon Religion**

trans. by Sangye Tandar, ed. by Richard Guard. #TWDE \$5

Tonpa Shenrab, the founder of Bon, was the first Buddha to appear in the Kaliyuga with the express purpose of relieving the sufferings of sentient beings. Portrayed are the major events of Tonpa Shenrab's life, including his compassionate and miraculous deeds and death.

THE WARRIOR SONG OF KING GESAR

by Douglas Penick, foreword by Sakyong Mipham Rinpoche, intro. by Tulku Thondup Rinpoche. 176 pp., 6 illus., #WASOKI \$16.95

This is the epic tale in verse and prose of the legendary Tibetan war-

MASTERS OF MEDITATION AND MIRACLES: The Longchen Nyingthig Lineage of Tibetan Buddhism by Tulku Thondup. 478 pp. #MAMEMI \$35 cloth

Lively biographies of 34 important masters in the Nyingma lineage of the Longchen Nyingthig. Beginning with Garap Dorje, these stories convey exemplary lives led in monasteries, mountains, woods, and caves.

MY LIFE AND LIVES: The Story of a Tibetan Incarnation

by Khyongla Rato, ed. by Joseph Campbell. 280 pp. #LILI \$14.95

Never before has there been a book by a Tibetan to describe with such care the monastic life and disciplines, the great Buddhist monasteries, temples, hermitages and mountain retreats. In 1928, Khyongla Rato was recognized as the reincarnation of the ninth Khyongla of Tibet. For over three decades, he lived as a monk, studying at the most famous monasteries in Tibet. Khyongla Rato escaped with the Dalai Lama to settle in India and eventually in New York.

reincarnation of Lama Yeshe, who founded many Buddhist centers in the West. Osel Hita Torres is destined to become one of the most important and unusual spiritual leaders of our time. It is also a riveting account of reincarnation and Tibetan Buddhism.

TALES OF UNCLE TOMPA: The Legendary Rascal of Tibet

by Rinjing Dorje, illus. by Addison Smith. 88 pp. #TAUNTO \$13.95



rior king, Gesar of Ling. Born into harsh circumstances at a time of decline, Gesar succeeded in becoming ruler of Ling. Embodying the Buddhist teachings, he subdued demonic lords who sought to undermine and enslave people's minds.

For those whose knowledge of Tibet is limited to monasteries and mantras, here is a fresh glance at Tibetan folklore-delightful, whimsical and decidely bawdy. Conman, prankster, and playboy, Uncle Tompa's exploits outwit the vain and the greedy and turn the tables on those who take advantage of others. A beloved rogue, he's the hero of the "little man" who wishes to get even with the rich and powerful.

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AMY AND GULLY IN RAINBOWLAND

by W. W. Rowe, illus. by Adam Chow. Ages 5-10, 96 pp., illus., #AMGU \$5,95

"This captivating book reads like a thriller. Amy and Gully (brother and sister) are playing in a dusty attic when a sudden, fierce wind transports them to a grassy hillside in Rainbowland. There they meet a magical monk dressed in Buddhist robes who sends them on a quest for the wishing stone that was stolen by Wogda, the witch. The children discover special qualities within themselves that are needed to overcome threatening situations. They learn to be courageous, nonviolent, and to practice loving kindness."-Mindful Parenting (for the Spirtual Enrichment of Children and Parents)

THE BOY WHO HAD A DREAM

by Ringu Tulku Rinpoche, illus. by Pankaj Thapa. 32 pages, 9 x 11", full color #BOWHHA \$12.95

Beautifully illustrated in cartoon style, this is a delightful adventure story of a Tibetan boy who dreams that he becomes king. It is a traditional folktale from Tibet. Ages 5 and up. Royalties help provide education and health-care for the author's home in Eastern Tibet.

BUDDHA

by Demi. 44 pp., 40 color illustrations, 10 x 10", #BUD \$18.95 cloth

This is the life story of the Buddha rendered in richly-colored, elegant paintings. The Buddha's life is told simply with the main events illustrated. For people ages 4 to 10 and for adults who love illustrated books.

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by Demi. 28 pp., gold line drawings and text on cobalt blue paper, 10 1/4" square, #BUST \$16.95

Eleven Jataka tales, each illumined with golden illustrations make this an excellent book for kids and adults.



THE DALAI LAMA: A **Biography of the Tibetan** Spiritual and Political Leader

by Demi, fore. by H.H. the Dalai Lama. 32 pp., 10 x 10" #DALADE \$16.95 cloth

In simple language and great color illustrations, Demi has paid tribute to the Dalai Lama's remarkable life. She has captured the beauty of Tibetan culture, as well as the charm, wisdom, and vision of one of the world's bestknown spiritual figures.

DHARMA FAMILY TREA-SURES: Sharing Mindfulness with Children

ed. by Sandy Eastoak. 240 pp. #DHFA \$16.95

A collection of writings by Thich Nhat Hanh, Diane Di Prima, Robert Aitken, Christina Feldman, and others on how to share mindfulness practice with children and introduce them to basic Buddhist principles. Contains essays, poems, songs and stories valuable to any parent active in their children's spiritual growth.



A DOG'S TOOTH

by W.W. Rowe, illus. by Chris Banigan. 32 pp., 31 color illustrations, 8 1/2 x 11" #DOTO \$12.95 cloth, for children ages 5-13

In this adventurous retelling of the classic Tibetan tale of the power of faith, a young man is asked by his dying mother obtain a sacred relic to help her. He fails to do this and instead deceivingly brings her a tooth from the skeleton of a dog. He tells her it is the Buddha's tooth.

This version humorously recreates the wily son's schemes. It movingly conveys how the mother's strong faith has the power to fulfill her dreams in spite of the son's deceit. The result is a suspenseful story that captivates and inspires readers of all ages. The illustrations, which transport the reader to Tibet and India, are a miracle of lively imagination in themselves. Highly recommended.

EXPLORE TIBET

by the Junior Museum Staff of the Newark Museum. 32 pp., 9 x



TWENTY JATAKA TALES retold by Noor Inayat Khan

illus. by H. Willebeek Le Mair

THE FOURTEENTH DALAI LAMA: Spiritual Leader of

by Whitney Stewart. 128 pp., 53

b&w and color photos and line drawings, ages 10 to 17, #FODALA \$18.95 cloth (see Dalai Lama section)

Whitney Stewart recounts the Dalai Lama's fascinating life story.

THE GIFT: A Magical Story about Caring for the Earth story and illus. by Isia

Osuchowska. 32 pp., 8" sq., 30 color illus., #GI \$14.95 cloth

Ananda, the Buddha's principal disciple, teaches a small-minded king the importance of sharing-not only personal wealth but also the resources of the Earth. For children 4-10.

THE GOLDEN GOOSE KING: A Tale Told by the Buddha by Judith Ernsi. 32 pp., color

illustrations, 8 3/4 x 11 1/2", #GOGOKI \$19.95 cloth

The virtues of loyalty, courage and friendship are set forth in this story of a wise golden goose, king of 94,000 geese dwelling near Benares. The goose was the Buddha in a past lifeand his wise teachings serve to guide a king, his wife and the readers of this lovely story. Excellent illustrations. For ages 6-12 and their parents. Winner of the 1996 Skipping Stones Book Award.

HER FATHER'S GARDEN by Janet Brooke. 40 pp., 8.5 x 11", 20 color illus., #HEFAGA \$12.95

In a village high above the clouds where people are unhappy and nothing grows, a little girl dreams of a garden behind her father's house. The skeptical villagers mock her gardening efforts, but the garden flourishes formed and renewed.



THE LIFE OF BUDDHA: From Prince Siddhartha to Buddha

by George Hulskramer, illus. Bijay Raj Shakya & Raju Babu Shakya. 72 pp., 8 1/2 x 11" #LIBU \$14.95

This beautiful hardcover comic book tells the life story of the Buddha and is historically accurate and well-illustrated. Ages 7 and up.



154 pp., 21 illus. #TWJATA \$9.95

Drawn from famous legends concerning the former lives of the Buddha, these twenty stories tell of people and animals moved to acts of altruism by the noble example of their fellow creatures. They are highly dramatic adventures resolved by non-violent and compassionate means. Exquisite illustrations. Ages 5 and up.

MEDITATING WITH CHILDREN: The Art of **Concentration and Centering** by Deborah Rozman. 160 pp.

#MEWICH \$16.95 A practical handbook for parents and teachers wanting to develop concentration and imagination in their children, including lesson plans for children through 8th grade.



PRINCE SIDDHARTHA

by Landaw & Brooke. 144 pp. 8 x 10", 63 color illus, #PRSI \$16.95

This is the story of Prince Siddhartha and how he became Buddha, the Awakened One. Beautiful full-color illustrations depict each major life event in Siddhartha's development. Ages 4 and up.



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THE BUDDHA'S QUESTION by W.W. Rowe, Illus. by Pamlyn Grider. 24 pp., 8.5 x 11," #BUQU \$9.95

Queen Videhi of Rajagaha asks the Buddha to teach four hundred children about awareness and love. Ir reply, the Buddha recounts his previ ous life experience as a plumeria tree This tree painfully witnesses the cruei deceptions of a heron upon forty fish and a wise and crafty crab. Though helpless to intervene, the compassionate tree takes vows with far-reaching consequences. Jataka Tales, or past-life stories of the Buddha, teach wisdom and compassion. This beautifully-illustrated, rhymed version makes the story enjoyable for children ages 5-10.

The Buddha's Question has been a nightly favorite. We read it at bedtime over and over. I marvel at its beauty and heart-wrenching message. It is so well done."-A Customer

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This is an activity book that was developed as part of Newark Museum's project "Tibet: The Living Tradition." Explore Tibet introduces Tibetan culture-exploring unknown places, meeting new people, and seeing different ways of life are childhood joys. Hands-on activities, stories and illustrations offer something for every child-meet a Tibetan family, construct a festival tent, make Tibetan food, play a karma board game, negotiate a mandala maze, and more! Ages 3-10.

PRINCE SIDDHARTHA COLORING BOOK

by Jonathan Landaw, line drawings by Janet and Lara Brooke. 48 pp., 8 x 11", 62 images, **#PRSICO \$6.95**

Children can make the story of the Buddha come alive by coloring the images from his life. A brief narrative accompanies and explains each drawing.

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THE RABBIT & THE TIGERDILE

by W.W. Rowe, illus. by Chris Banigan. Ages 4-10, 32 pp., 8 x 10", #RATI \$8.95

This past-life story of the Buddha explains why we can see the image of a rabbit on the face of the moon. When the god Sakra tested four animals, only the rabbit showed true compassion and selfless generosity. In this exciting adaptation of the tale, Sakra assumes a frightening form half tiger, half crocodile. During their jungle adventures, the selfish failings of the fox, monkey, and weasel are humorously revealed.

Beautiful full-color illustrations bring the story magically to life. It is delightful to read aloud: the animals can be identified by characteristic noises or sounds.

"An endearing tale of trust and generosity."—NAPRA ReView

THE STORY OF PEMA WOEBAR: A Traditional Tibetan Tale

50 pp., 37 b&w illustrations, ages 5 to 12, #STPEWO \$12.95

Published by Tibetans at the Norbulinka Institute in India, this is the exciting folktale of Pema Woebar, child of Padmasambhava who overthrows an evil king through his courage and insight.



TARA'S COLORING BOOK

by Andy Weber & Nigel Wellings. 12 line drawings, 10 x 13", #TACOBO \$12.95

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THE THREE SILVER COINS: A Story from Tibet by Veronica Leo & Tashi Daknewa. 32 pp., fully illustrated, 8 x 10" #THSICO \$12.95

"This children's story has all the elements of the best folktales: magic, a kind-hearted and likable hero, and good triumphing over bad...readers also become aware of many subtle aspects of Tibetan life, making this a delightful vehicle for multicultural awareness."—NAPRA ReVIEW

Once there was a poor boy named Jinpa who lived in the high mountains of Tibet. For his hard work he received one day three gleaming silver coins. "With these you can become rich!" his mother told him. "Invest them wisely, and they will increase a hundredfold." So into the world Jinpa went, carrying his three silver coins, to seek his fortune..." This is one of our very best books for young readers! Ages 4 and up.





TIBET THROUGH THE RED BOX

by Peter Sis. 60 pp., fully illustrated in color, 11 x 11", #TIREBO \$25 cloth

For most of his childhood, the old lacquered box had been beyond his reach in his father's study. Now he was being summoned home to discover its carefully guarded secrets. In it Peter Sis found the diary his father kept when he was lost in Tibet in the mid-1950s. Bit by bit, the mystery of his father's journey is revealed; in reliving it, Sis finds the man who had been taken from him many years before and the magical place that held him hostage. Sis, through his fantastical artwork, has created a kaleidoscopic fusion of truth, dreams, and memory of his father's journey.



WHERE IS TIBET? *by Gina Halpern.* 48 pp., 43 color illus., 9 x 12", For ages 3-10, #WHTI? \$12.95

"Where is Tibet?" is really a way of asking "Where is happiness?" Gina Halpern's enchanting book takes children on a double journey...to a real country and into their own hearts.

Brilliantly illustrated with Tibetan images and colors, this sensitively rendered, cross-cultural book follows the search of a refugee Tibetan boy and girl for their native Himalayan land. The children could be two of the real exiled children now living in India and Nepal, but their search goes far beyond the geographical and personal. In Gina Halpern's hands their quest becomes the universal search of all who seek a place of peace.

Where is Tibet? celebrates a delightful spirit. Its answer to its own question, "Look into your heart," sends a message of hope and empowerment to all children. There is no book like it today.



LHASA MOON TIBETAN COOKBOOK

by Tsering Wangmo & Zara Houshmand. 128 pp., 80 recipes, 48 line drawings, 25 photos, 8 x 8", #LHMO \$14.95

Located on San Francisco's Lombard Street in the Marina District, The Lhasa Moon is one of the finest Tibetan restaurants in the West. A unique mix of Asian influences and Tibetan regional ones, its cuisine delights vegetarians and meat lovers alike. This cookbook of *Lhasa Moon's* most popular dishes includes recipes for soups, snacks and appetizers, the famous Tibetan momos, popular noodle dishes, tsampa and breads, sweets, beverages including Tibetan tea. It also provides an excellent overview of the foods grown in Tibet, with their special climate and regional variations, foreign influences, daily meals, the types of household kitchens, food served in monasteries, and food for Tibetan celebrations.

"One of San Francisco's top restaurants!"— San Francisco Chronicle

"I was delighted by the range and depth of the cuisine in Tsering's cookbook, and after cooking some of the food I can certainly see why her restaurant in San Francisco is so popular."—Mick Vann for *The Austin Chronicle*

"Provides an excellent overview of foods grown and eaten in Tibet."—Flavor and Fortune





THE NEPAL COOKBOOK by the Association of Nepalis in the Americas. 132 pp. #NECO \$10.95

"The Nepal Cookbook is an ideal reference for gourmet clubs and any chef with an adventurous nature. A terrific addition to any kitchen bookshelf!"—Midwest Book Review

This treasury of recipes from the members of the Association of Nepalis in the Americas represents the best of authentic Nepali cuisine. From festival dishes to simple everyday favorites, the recipes included here reflect the many facets of Nepal's colorful and diverse cultures.

Nepali food, which is simple to prepare and subtle in flavor, is influenced by the cuisines of both India

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and Tibet. Here are recipes for all the elements of a full-course Nepali meal: appetizers, soups and lentils, vegetables, meats, pickles and chutneys, rice and breads, and desserts. The most commonly used flavorings include cumin, red and green chilies, garlic, ginger, szechwan pepper, cilantro, and scallions. Special cooking methods and ingredients unfamiliar to a Western audience are fully explained.

"Compendium of family recipes...a unique resource"—*Library Journal* "...a first majo recipera "...a findeman

tion on Nepali recipes."—Asian Foodbookery "These recipes are hearty and

"These recipes are hearty and full-flavored without being overly fussy or hard to prepare. There's a wealth of vegetarian recipes."— Ithaca Times



TIBETAN DEAD HOT SAUCE PACK (with compact edition of *The Tibetan Book* of the Dead)

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Dead Hot Sauce (9 oz.) combined with the compact edition of Chogyam Trungpa's *Tibetan Book of the Dead* packaged in a handmade wooden crate with recipes. Great gift item for "Dead Heads" or anyone!



AMBROSIA HEART TANTRA: The Secret Oral Teachings on the Eight Branches of the Science of Healing

annotated by Dr. Yeshi Dhonden, trans. by Jhampa Kelsang. 128 pp. #AMHETA \$11

Back in print, this is the first volume of a key medical treatise known as *The Four Secret Oral Teachings on the Eight Branches of the Science of Healing*—the body, pediatrics, gynecology, disorders of wounds, toxicology, geriatrics, fertility and reproductivity.

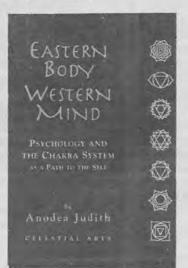
BUDDHA'S ART OF HEALING: Tibetan Paintings Rediscovered

Essays by John Avedon, Tamdin Bradley, Fernand Meyer, N.D. Bolsokhoeva, and K.M Gerasimova, foreword by H.H. the Dalai Lama. 208 pp., 10 x 12", 140 illus., 120 in color, #BUARHE \$35

Provides a rich introduction to Tibetan medicine. Illustrated with intricate and vivid scroll paintings based on *The Atlas of Tibetan Medicine*, a seventeenth-century masterpiece that is the foundation of Tibetan medical education. Essays elucidate the conceptual and theoretical foundations of Tibetan medicine. Each of the forty paintings is reproduced as a full-page plate and described in detail with commentary on its visual content and symbolism.

EASTERN BODY, WESTERN MIND: Psychology and the Chakra System

by Anodea Judith. 416 pp., #EABOWE \$18.95



Anodea Judith's latest book on chakras explains the system through Western psychology. The developmental tasks associated with each chakra are presented, followed by detailed explanations of balancing characteristics, traumas and abuses, and physical malfunctions. There are sections on healing practices, body types and pathologies.

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THE FIVE TIBETANS: Five Dynamic Exercises for Health, Energy, and Personal Power

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HEALTH THROUGH BALANCE: An Introduction to Tibetan Medicine

by Dr. Yeshi Donden, ed. & trans. by Jeffrey Hopkins. 252 pp. #HETHBA \$14.95

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"Health Through Balance represents Dr. Donden's masterful distillation of the thousand-year-old Tibetan medical tradition."—East-West Journal

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by Vaidya Bhagwan Dash & Ven. Doboom Tulku. 115 pp. #POHETI \$14.95 cloth

In Tibetan medicine emphasis is placed on food, drinks, life style and conduct for the preservation and promotion of positive health—one of the eight special branches of traditional medicine. Food and regimens for different parts of the day, night and seasons form the basis of this branch. This work deals with all the different aspects of positive health.

THE QUINTESSENCE TANTRAS OF TIBETAN MEDICINE

trans. by Dr. Barry Clark, foreword by H.H. the Dalai Lama. 250 pp. #QUTATI \$22.95

"I am happy that after more than ten years studying Tibetan medicine, both in theory and practice under the tutelage of a number of Tibetan physicians, Dr. Barry Clark has compiled *The Quintessence Tantrus of Tibetan Medicine*. In it he presents clear and accurate translations of the Root and Explanatory Tantras, two works of such fundamental importance in the Tibetan medical system that they are commonly memorised by medical students."—The Dalai Lama

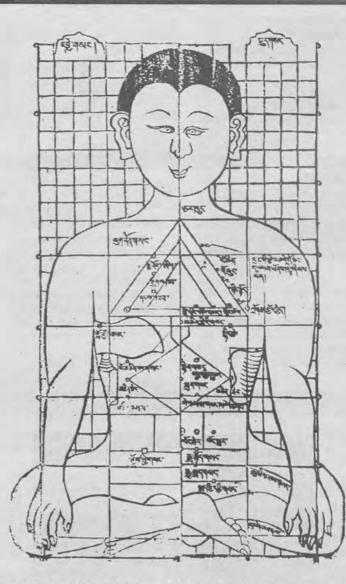
Quintessence Tantras of Tibetan Medicine is a thorough, detailed and systematic analysis of the characteristics of healthy and diseased bodies. Discussed are the diagnostic techniques of pulse and urine analysis, principles of right diet, right lifestyle and behavioral factors, and a treasury of knowledge about the beneficial applications of herbs, plants, spices, minerals, gems, etc. Also included are the subtle and psychological techniques of therapeutics and the ethics and conduct required of a Tibetan physician--a warrior-like person equipped to overcome even the most formidable internal and external obstacles.

SEX, ORGASM AND THE MIND OF CLEAR LIGHT: The Sixty-four Arts of Gay Male Love

by Jeffrey Hopkins, 123 pp. #SEORMI \$14.95

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THE TIBETAN ART OF HEALING

paintings by Romio Shrestha, text by Ian Baker, fore. by H.H. the Dalai Lama. 192 pp. 9 x 12," color illustrations throughout, #TIARHE \$29.95

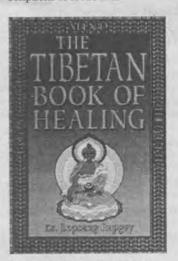
This medical system, based on Buddhist beliefs, Ayurvedic healing practices, and ancient shamanic traditions, has been communicated through the centuries by intricate paintings of mandalas featuring plants, animals, deities, and mythical characters. Romio Shrestha, a Nepali master and innovator of the traditional Tibetan thangka style created these brilliantly complex images. Tibetan scholar Ian Baker explains the artistic, spiritual and curative aspects of the paintings.

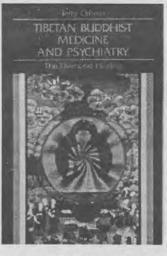


by Gedun Chopel, extensive intro. & trans. by Jeffrey Hopkins with Dorje Yuthok. 282 pp. #TIARLO \$14.95

"The work is extremely relevant for the modern Western reader. Hopkins' sensitivity to women's issues is both praiseworthy and insightful."—José Cabezón

Tibetan Arts of Love presents in lucid detail the sixty-four arts of love, divided into eight varieties of sexual play-embracing, kissing, pinching and scratching, biting, moving to and fro and pressing, erotic noises, role reversal, and positions of love-making. It includes a complete translation of the Treatise on Passion by Gedun Chopel, the highly contoversial former monk whom many consider to be Tibet's foremost intellect of the twentieth century. An over-arching focus is sexual ecstasy as a door to spiritual experience-the sky experience of the mind of clear light pervades the scintillating descriptions of erotic acts.





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TIBETAN BUDDHIST MEDICINE AND PSYCHIATRY

by Terry Clifford, foreword by H.H. the Dalai Lama. 268 pp., 39 illus., #TIBUMD \$12.95

Here is a comprehensive and clearly laid-out introduction to the Tibetan art of healing. In straightforward language, the author discusses its religious, philosophical and psychological foundations, history and deities, tantric and ritual aspects, meditations for healing and views on dying, humoral theory, and unusual methods of diagnosis and cure.

"A well organized and exceptionally clear introduction."— Yoga Journal



TIBETAN MEDICAL PAINTINGS

ed. by Parfionovitch, Meyer, and Gyurme Dorje. Two volumes, 168 & 172 pp., 77 color & 77 b&w illus., large format, boxed, #TIMEPA \$195

Sangye Gyamtso, regent of the Fifth Dalai Lama and founder of the monastic medical school at Chakpori in Lhasa created *The Blue Beryl* treatise which integrates Tibetan medicine's complex and diverse wisdom into a coherent body of knowledge visually presented in 76 brilliant

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LECTURES ON TIBETAN MEDICINE

by Dr. Lobsang Dolma Khangkar. 218 pp. #LETIME \$12.95

The famous Tibetan lady doctor Lobsang Dolma was a well-known teacher of Tibetan medicine. This excellent book contains her lectures on Tibetan medicine and answers to numerous questions. She discusses Buddhism and medicine, massage, child conception, breathing exercises, the relation between body, speech and mind, the three humours, diagnosis, diet and behavior.

STUDIES IN TIBETAN MEDICINE

by Elisabeth Finckh. 90 pp. #STTIME \$9.95, now \$7.95!

This scholarly collection of papers on specialized topics in Tibetan medicine deals with various aspects of the medical system, including comparisons with the Chinese system. It presents the Tibetan medical tree and diagrams all its parts.

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TIBETAN ART OF PARENTING: From Before Conception Through Early Childhood

by Anne Hubbell Maiden and Edie Farwell. 224 pp. #TIARPA \$16.95

An invaluable guide for parents, those interested in holistic health care, and those interested in the myths, legends, and child-rearing practices of the Tibetan people. Contains an interesting compilation of real child care practices. The authors draw on Tibetan texts and interviews with women, midwives, traditional doctors and Buddhist scholars.

THE TIBETAN BOOK OF HEALING

by Dr. Lobsang Rapgay. 203 pp., 11 line drawings, #TIBOHE \$12.95

This is a comprehensive look at the healing modalities offered in Tibetan medicine. Dr. Rapgay has presented the preventive health care aspects—diet, exercise, relaxation, detoxification, rejuvenation, meditation—of the Tibetan medical tantras. He explains how to develop a wellgrounded spiritual practice that accords with body/mind types and which people of all traditions can heartily embrace. paintings. A foreword by the Dalai Lama, an introduction, summaries of the treatise, and translations of the inscriptions on the colorplates put the facsimiles in context.

TIBETAN MEDICINE and Other Holistic Health-Care Systems

by Tom Dummer. 308 pp. #TIME \$19.95

The author makes Tibetan medical philosophy understandable-the tantric cosmology and symbolism relevant to Tibetan medicine including the chakras and psychic channels and energies; the causes of disease and types of illnesses and diagnosis; mind and mental disorders; diet and treatments. Then he shows how Tibetan and Western holistic medicine can be practiced together-Western herbal medicine and homeopathy with Tibetan herbal treatments, the similarities between osteopathy and Tibetan massage, and the use of Tibetan medical philosophy and Buddhadharma as a basis for counseling therapy.

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TIBETAN MEDICINE: East Meets West/West Meets East edited by Jurgen Aschoff and Ina Rosing. 130pp. #TIMEEA \$20

Tibetan Medicine presents a summary of a symposium organized by Jurgen Ascoff in July, 1996 at the University of Ulm. It includes a collection of nine papers, an introduction by Fernand Meyer, and concluding remarks by Barry Clark. Part I addresses the effectiveness of Tibetan drugs in clinically controlled conditions as well as presenting basic classificatory and documentary studies. Part II focuses on institutional issues and the problems experienced in the cross-cultural transfer of Tibetan medicine to the West and vice versa. This book will appeal to anyone interested in current scholarship in the field of Tibetan Medicine or the issues surrounding the transfer of culturally different medical systems.

TIBETAN MASSAGE CHART by Dr. Rapgay, 18" x 24" #TIMAAC \$6.95

Illustrated wall-chart of Tibetan massage and acupressure, describing traditional Tibetan lotions and methods for helping to remedy problems with headache, anxiety, insomnia, female difficulties, and many more. Clear and easy to follow.

TRADITIONAL CHINESE MEDICINE

by Sheila McNamara. 274 pp. #TRCHME \$14

Traditional Chinese medicine has proven effective in easing a wide range of conditions using herbs, nutritional balance, acupuncture and other methods. With an A-Z list of conditions and their remedies, this comprehensive manual tells how Chinese medicine works and includes a detailed discussion of Qi Gong, the foundational system of mental and physical discipline.

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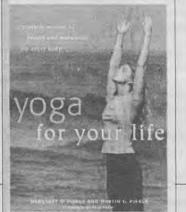


YOGA FOR YOUR LIFE

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by Margaret & Martin Pierce 160 pp., oversized, over 400 color photos, #YOYOLI \$20

Capturing the spirit of yoga for the American lifestyle, this is the perfect book for beginners too. It surpasses other guides by showing pose adaptations for different body types and eight special programs that offer innovative useful ways to bring yoga into your life such as yoga to wake up, to prepare for meditation, to help with sleep, for a vigorous workout, to prepare for an active day. Easy to follow, the photos and text allow you to start right away.



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A Proficiency-Oriented Learning System. Novice and Intermediate Levels by William A. Magee and Elizabeth S. Napper, Jeffrey Hopkins, General Editor. In collaboration with: Ngawang Thondup Narkyid, Geshe Thupten Jinpa, Kunsang Y. King, Jules B. Levinson, Jigme Ngapo, Daniel E. Perdue, Dolma Tenpa and Steven N. Weinberger. 1010 page, 4-vol. text, 8 1/2 x 11," 18 cassettes (26 hours), #FLTI \$250 (outside N. America, allow \$35 for shipping)

"Fluent Tibetan is a significant and

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The most systematic and extensive course system available in spoken Tibetan language, *Fluent Tibetan* was developed language experts working in conjunction with indigenous speakers at the University of Virginia under a grant from the International Research and Studies Program of the Department of Education in Washington, D.C.

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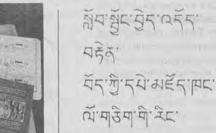
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This grammar textbook of spoken Tibetan is based on 12 years teaching experience at the Library of Tibetan Works and Archives, Dharamsala and a year in the USA. It presents colloquial Tibetan grammatical structures in useful sentences and not in the abstract. A good book!

THE CLASSICAL TIBETAN LANGUAGE by Stephan Beyer. 503 pp.

#CLTILA \$24.50

This is an excellent reference for linguists and others interested in a comprehensive description of the Tibetan language. It treats the classical language on its own terms rather than by categories appropriate to other languages. Beyer presents the language as a medium of literary expression and deals with linguistic phenomena encountered in the classical texts.

LEARN TIBETAN: Essential Words and Phrases for Absolute Beginners



LEARNING PRACTICAL TIBETAN

by Andrew Bloomfield & Yanki Tshering. 175 pp. #LEPRTI \$16.95, Optional: two 90 min. cassette tapes #TIPHT \$14.95

Learning Practical Tibetan is a revised version of the Tibetan Phrasebook, which was published in 1987 by Snow Lion Publications. Many students of Tibetan language have expressed to Snow Lion that this book is a wonderful language tool and much more than a phrasebook. Not only that, but it is accompanied by two fantastic 90 minute tapes. This combination is extremely useful for students of Tibetan except that the book relied only on a phonetic system and did not include the Tibetan script.

So, Snow Lion has expanded the Tibetan Phrasebook into a larger format and included the Tibetan script in addition to the phonetic system so as to be most useful as a practical Tibetan language study tool. The new book is titled Learning Practical Tibetan and was designed to accompany the original excellent tapes. Learning Practical Tibetan begins by introducing both a phonetic system and a simple yet complete grammar. In addition to containing phrases and dialogues, each chapter is preceded by useful information, vocabulary, and some pointers about Tibetan customs and etiquette. The appendices include these helpful sections: Numbers, Dates, Days and Time, Dates of Festivals, Religious and Monastic Vocabulary and a General Vocabulary. The clear and simple form of romanization, along with the cassette tapes, ensures that the student will be understood when speaking. The accompanying tapes are exceptionally clear and can be purchased from Snow Lion.



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Vocabulary lists can be presented in a variety of ways for drilling purposes including a random sort with sound at varying rates, much like talking flash cards. Dialogues can also be presented automatically with sound at varying rates in Tibetan with English translation below or in English with Tibetan translation. The function of this CD-ROM is to bring together sound and text in a format that allows for quick access to whatever material is currently being studied. Beyong that, by means of randomization and user-defined programmed presentations, this CD attempts to bring the language to life, so that the student is constantly challenged to pick out familiar words in new contexts and to discover new words in familiar contexts.

This CD is an excellent introduction to the Tibetan language, providing the resources needed to read Tibetan script and enough vocabulary and dialogues to develop significant mastery of the language. The printed Fluent Tibetan publication contains 752 drills with over 7000 practice sentences arranged in a sequence of increasing complexity to provide thorough-going opportunities for familiarizing with creative manipulation of sentence patterns. Practice with the twenty-six hours of tapes—with alternating male and female indigenous Tibetan voices—has been proven to yield both acquaintance and facility with basic forms of the spoken language. This CD focuses on vocabulary and dialogues and additional intermediate level dialogues that extend beyond the material covered in the printed publication.

System requirements:

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This is a lively and entertaining introduction to Tibetan language. This well-designed graphic package makes learning Tibetan feel like a game. It offers a large vocabulary. You can record your voice and compare your pronunciation with native speakers. There are quizzes and a challenging memory game. Windows: VGA w/256 colors, sound card, 486 or above, 8 Mb RAM, CD-ROM, microphone optional. Apple Macintosh: Color Macintosh, 68030 processor or above, 8 Mb RAM, CD-ROM, microphone optional.

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TIBETAN PHRASEBOOK

by Andrew Bloomfield & Yanki Tshering, 152 pp. #TIPH \$8.95, Two 90 min. cassette tapes #TIPHT \$14.95

The Tibetan Phrasebook and accompanying tapes make immediate communication with Tibetans easy and fun. Travelers to Tibet, Nepal, and India as well as people wishing to speak with Tibetans in the West will find this book invaluable.

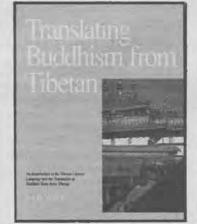
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by Acharya Sangye T. Naga & Tsepak Rigzin. 264 pp. #TIQUPH \$18

This compilation of idioms and phrases bridges the gap between Tibetan literary and colloquial forms. Each phrase has an English equivalent and is also used in a complete sentence. A must for Tibetan language students.



TRANSLATING BUDDHISM FROM TIBETAN: An Introduction to the Tibetan Literary Language and the **Translation of Buddhist Texts from Tibetan**

by Joe Wilson, Jr. 845 pp., 7 x 9", glossary #TRBUTI \$65 cloth, A Namgyal Institute Textbook.

This complete textbook on classical Tibetan has 19 chapters suitable for beginning or intermediate students. Translating Buddhism from Tibetan begins with rules for reading, writing, and pronouncing Tibetan, gradually carrying the reader through the patterns seen in the formation of words, and into the repeating patterns of Tibetan phrases, clauses, and sentences. Students with prior experience will find the seven appendices-which review the rules of pronunciation, grammar and syntaxprovide an indispensable reference. Translating Buddhism from Ti-

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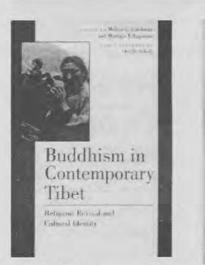
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by Joe Wilson. 90 min. #TRBUTT \$10

This language tape was designed to assist with pronunciation, vocabulary, drills and exercises found in our book Translating Buddhism From Tibetan.

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BUDDHISM IN CONTEMPORARY TIBET: Religious Revival and Cultural Identity ed. by Melvyn Goldstein & Matthew Kapstein. 235 pp., 37 b&w photos, #BUCOTI \$15.95

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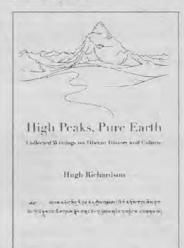
EDUCATION IN TIBET:

Policy and Practice since 1950 by Catriona Bass. 300 pp., numerous charts, graphs, and maps, #EDTI \$25

Education policies in Tibet are in danger of turning Tibetans into a poorly educated underclass with administrative and skilled technical jobs increasingly taken by Han Chinese. This is a comprehensive overview of education in the Tibet Autonomous Region since the Chinese takeover. She presents the best information available about each educational sector and deals with the Chinese government's response to Tibetan nationalism and its effect on education. She draws on official sources in both Chinese and Tibetan, first-hand observation, interviews with Tibetan refugees and with educators.

FESTIVALS OF TIBET by Tsepak Rigzin. 70 pp. #FETI \$8.95

The yearly cycle of festivals Tibetans enjoy are described in their historical and Buddhist context. A valuable way to understand the Tibetan traditions and to know what Tibetans like to celebrate

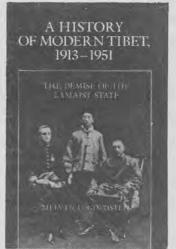


HIGH PEAKS, PURE EARTH:

THE GOLDEN YOKE: The Legal Cosmology of Buddhist Tibet

by Rebecca French. 528 pp, 64 b&w photos, 16 drawings, 3 maps, 7 x 10", #GOYO \$39.95 cloth

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Crystal Mountain has long been a place of symbolic and ritual significance for Tibetan peoples. Toni Huber of Victoria University, New Zealand, explores the esoteric and popular traditions of ritual at this major pilgrimage center. She focuses on the period of the 40s and 50s and documents Tibetan life patterns and cultural traditions which have largely disappeared since 1959. Huber offers discussion and analysis of the construction and meaning of Tibetan cultural categories of space, place, and person, and the practice of ritual and organization of traditional society in

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Collected Writings on **Tibetan History and Culture** by Hugh Richardson. 790 pp., 104 b&w photos, maps, index, #HIPEPU \$40

Hugh Richardson is an authority on Tibet, its history and culture. As the last British diplomat to serve there, he lived in Lhasa from 1935-50 while heading the British and later the Indian Missions. He had many opportunities to study Tibetan life and later he became a scholar. High Peaks, Pure Earth contains 65 contributions to Tibetan Studies. Topics: the crucial and formative phase of Tibet's history in the seventh to ninth centuries; later history to the twentieth century, including a number of important studies of the Chinese and Western involvement in Tibet; Tibetan Precis, a previously classified publication summarizing British relations with Tibet; the author's testimonies and recollections of life in traditional Tibet.

A HISTORY OF MODERN TIBET, 1913-1951: The Demise of the Lamaist State by Melvyn Goldstein. 898 pp. #HIMOTI \$34.95

This is a valuable book in its presentation of a large number of historical documents that reveal the play of forces at the time leading up to the Chinese invasion of Tibet.

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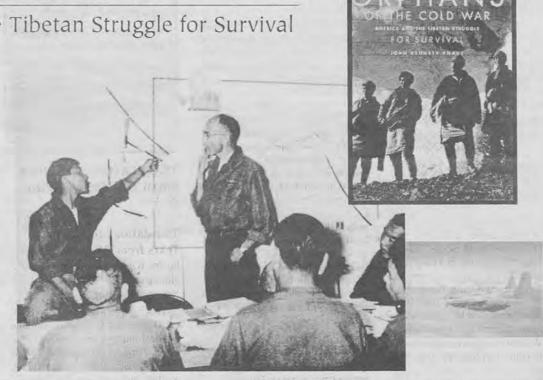
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ORPHANS OF THE COLD WAR

America and the Tibetan Struggle for Survival

by John Kenneth Knaus 384 pp., 54 photos, illus. #ORCOWA \$27.50 cloth

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HISTORY OF THE "WHITE CRYSTAL" (Shel dkar chos 'byung): Religion and Politics of Southern La Stod translated by Pasang Wangdu and Hildegord Diemberger, in cooperation with Guntram Hazod. 175 pp., 8.5 by 12", 29 color plates, maps, Tibetan text, b&w plates, #HIWHCR \$58.00

Presents a view of the evolution of Tibetan society from ancient clans to aristocratic families, and eventually to the monastic institutions of the time when the Fifth Dalai Lama established his rule throughout Tibet. The text was compiled in 1732 by Ngag dbang skal ldan rgya mtsho of Shel dkar monastery in southern La stod. The author outlined the history of the area of southern La stod, of its lords, and of the monastery, whose early abbots adhered to the Sakya tradition.

INDIA & TIBET

by Sir Francis Younghusband. 409 pp. #INTI \$14.95

Francis Younghusband provides a detailed and very revealing account of British-Indian relations with Tibet from the time of Warren Hastings in the 1770s to 1910, with special emphasis on the British Mission to Lhasa in 1904. He gives information on Tibetan domestic and international relations, enabling the reader to gain a deeper understanding of British Imperial relations with Tibet which was based primarily on trade. It also shows that China's present claim to Tibet is based on sentiments that pre-date the 1950s by hundreds of years.



THE INTERNATIONAL TIBET RESOURCE **DIRECTORY 1995**

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IN THE PRESENCE OF MY **ENEMIES:** Memoirs of Tibetan Nobleman Tsipon Shuguba

by Sumner Carnahan with Lama Kunga Rinpoche, intro. by R. Thurman. 236 pp., 46 photos #INPREN \$14.95

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ISLAM IN TIBET & The Illustrated Narrative: TIBETAN CARAVANS

by Abdul Wahid Radhu, Dr. William Stoddart, José Ignacio Cabezón, fore. by H.H. the Dalai Lama, preface by Marco Pallis, trans. by Jane Casewit, ed. by Gray Henry. 312 pp., 33 b&w photos, 2 maps, #ISTI \$24.95

"Traditional Tibetan life was a rich tapestry woven of several strands, of which one was Islam. This is the first work to make this aspect of Tibetan culture and society known through a narrative that is authentic."-Seyyed Hossein Nasr

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by Roberto Vitali. 642 pp. Tibetan text included, #KIGUGE \$35.00

This study of the kingdoms of Gu ge Pu hrang in western Tibet is based on a rare manuscript written by one of Tsong kha pa's direct disciples, Ngag dbang grags pa. Its strength lies in its detailing the history of a large region in western Tibet of which little is known-the region of Tibet visited by Atisha in the eleventh-century. Entire genealogies of dynasties, poSEEDS OF PEACE: A Buddhist Vision for **Renewing Society**

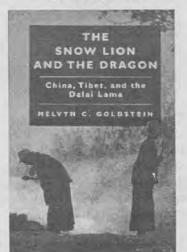
by Sulak Sivaraksa, foreword by H.H. the Dalai Lama, preface by Thich Nhat Hanh. 133 pp. #SEPE \$12

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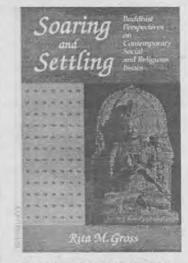
SKY BURIAL

by Blake Kerr, photos by John Ackerly, foreword by H.H. the Dalai Lama, intro. by Heinrich Harrer. 186 pp. #SKBU \$12.95 (see Travel & Adventure)

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THE STATUS OF TIBET: History, Rights, and Prospects in International Law by Michael C. van Walt van Praag. 450 pp. #STTI \$26.95 cloth

This study reviews the history of Tibet from its unification in the seventh century to its present disputed incorporation into the People's Republic of China. A definitive record of the legal status of Tibet, the book provides the basis for understanding the unresolved Sino-Tibetan conflict and its importance among the broader issues of Asian politics.



A STRANGE LIBERATION: **Tibetan Lives in Chinese** Hands by David Patt. 270 pp. #STLI

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A SEASON TO PURGE: **Religious Repression in Tibet** A Report by the International Campaign for Tibet. 102 pp. #SEPU \$5

This is the latest report on religious repression in Tibet and includes a discussion of the Panchen Lama. A necessary read for anyone interested in the preservation of Tibetan Buddhism.

DRAGON: China, Tibet, and the Dalai Lama

by Melvyn C. Goldstein. 130pp. #SNLIDR \$13.95

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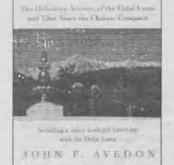
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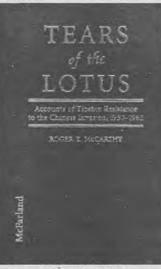
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TEARS OF THE LOTUS: Accounts of Tibetan Resistance to the Chinese Invasion, 1950-62

by Roger E. McCarthy. 312 pp., 14 b&w photos, 3 maps, #TELOT \$48.50 cloth

As a CIA officer, Roger McCarthy trained members of the Tibetan resistance in the late 1950s. Roger tells the story of the Tibetan resistance, the role of Tibetans who collaborated with the Chinese invaders, the unforgivable Chinese brutalities, excesses, and deceits, and the sorry role of the Free World—the United Nations and that of Prime Minister Nehru—when Tibet desperately needed help.

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TIBET OUTSIDE THE TAR by Steven D. Marshall and Susette Ternent Cooke (The Alliance for Research in Tibet). CD-ROM #TIOUTA \$10

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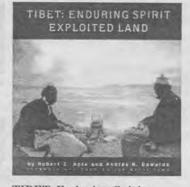
TIBETAN NATION: A History of Tibetan Nationalism and Sino-Tibetan Relations by Warren W. Smith, Jr. 733 pp. #TINA \$34

"A monumental one-volume political history of Tibet, which is particularly comprehensive and up-to-date on Tibet's modern period. Dr. Smith's skillful reading of Chinese propanganda material, uncovering the process of Chinese Communist takeover of Tibet and the nature of its rule, is a triumph of discerning research."—Jamyang Norbu, Director of Amnye Machen Institute

This detailed history offers the most comprehensive account available of Tibetan nationalism, Sino-Tibetan relations, and the issue of Tibetan self-determination. Warren Smith explores Tibet's ethnic and national origins, the birth of the Tibetan state, the Buddhist state and its relations with China, Tibet's quest for independence, and the Chinese takeover of Tibet after 1950. Focusing especially on post-1950 Tibet under Chinese Communist rule, Smith analyzes Marxist-Leninist and Chinese Communist Party nationalities theory and policy, their application in Tibet, and the consequent rise of Tibetan nationalism. Concluding that the essence of the Tibetan issue is self-determination, Smith bolsters his argument with a comprehensive analysis of modern Tibetan and Chinese political histories.



Three books on the environment of Tibet



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The author is the Director of Science for International Programs for the Wildlife Conservation Society in New York. He is the author of *The Year of the Gorilla, The Serengeti Lion, The Last Panda*, and most recently, *Tibet's Hidden Wilderness*. Since 1985, with his Tibetan and Chinese co-workers, he has surveyed the flora and fauna the vast and remote Tibetan steppe. This is the first detailed look at its natural history.

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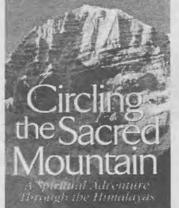


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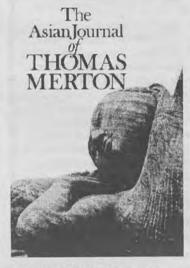


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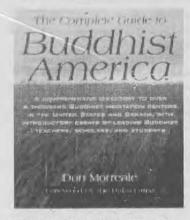
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Upon returning to Lhasa, Kerr and Ackerly swiftly became aware of the oppressive character of the Chinese occupying forces and their efforts to eradicate Tibetan culture. A series of demonstrations by Tibetan monks exploded into pro-independence protests greater than anything witnessed by foreigners since China entered Tibet in 1949.

Kerr and Ackerly attempted to aid the rebels, but were arrested and endured a brief, harrowing imprisonment. Their efforts to alert the international media met with success. After their forced departure from the country both Kerr and Ackerly became activists committed to ending China's oppression.

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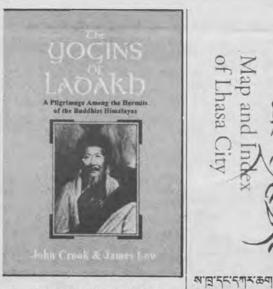
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Atisha's most celebrated text, entitled Lamp for the Path to Enlightenment, was written for the Tibetan people at the request of Jangchub Wö. It sets forth the entire Buddhist path within the framework of three levels of motivation on the part of the practitioner. Atisha's text thus became the source of the lamrim tradition, or graduated stages of the path to enlightenment, an approach to spiritual practice incorporated within all schools of Tibetan Buddhism. Geshe Sonam Rinchen's lucid and engaging commentary draws out Atisha's meaning for today's practitioners with warmth and wit, bringing the light of this age-old wisdom into the modern world.

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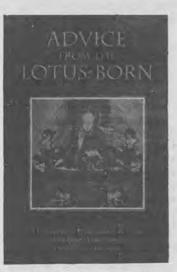
by Academica Tibetica, 24 x 29", #EARETI \$13.50

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"...well-written and edited ... a useful starting point for understanding the Gelugpa presentation of Tibetan Buddhism, and is suitable for public, undergraduate and graduate collections."-Religious Studies Review

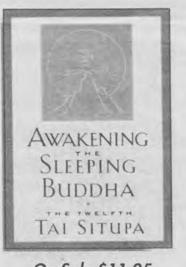
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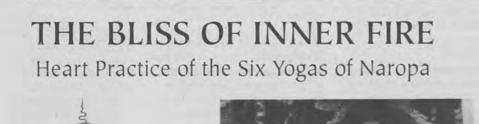


BOUNDLESS HEART: The Cultivation of the Four Immeasurables by B. Alan Wallace, ed. by Zara Houshmand. 200 pp. #BOHE \$14.95

Boundless Heart presents a unique combination of teachings on the Four Immeasurables interwoven with instruction on quiescence, or shamatha, meditation practices. These two themes complement each other powerfully.

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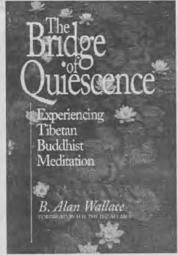


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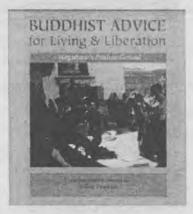
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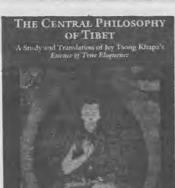
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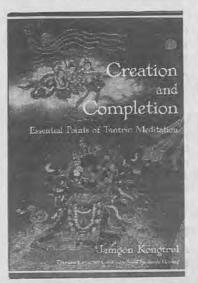
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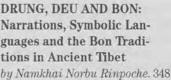
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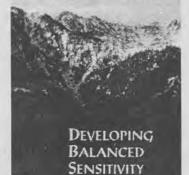
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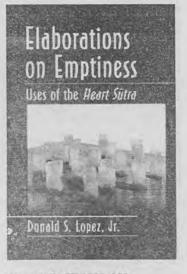
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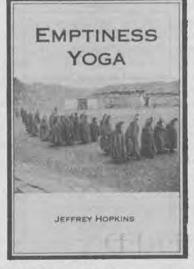
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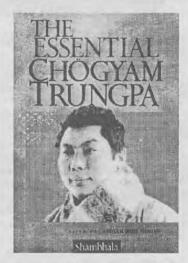
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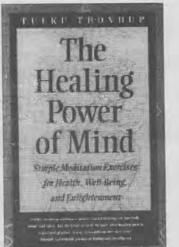
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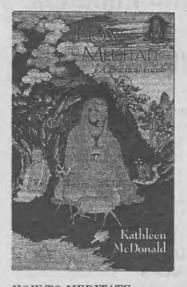
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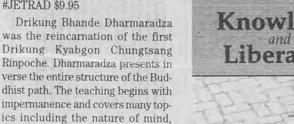
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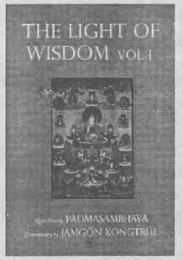
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