

NEW TITLES IN THE OLCOTT LIBRARY – APRIL 2009

Angels : the mysterious messengers / American Artists in association with Greystone Communications. Alexandria, VA : Time Life Video, c1994. 1 videocassette (ca. 92 min.)
VR 1263

Angst and Evolution : the struggle for human potential / Francis X. Jozwik and John M. Gist. Casper, WY : Abzar Pub, 2009. 224 p.
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Bahá'u'lláh and the New Era : an introduction to the Bahá'í faith / J.E. Esslemont. Wilmette, IL : Bahá'í Pub. Trust, 2006. 333 p.
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Before Abraham was, I Am [sound recording] / Christopher Bamford. Wheaton, IL : Theosophical Society in America, c2008. 1 sound disc (73 min.) Recorded in Holyoke, MA, at the Northeast Regional Conference entitled "The Mystical Heart of Christianity: Moving Beyond Literalism," on November 1, 2008.

Drawing from the three Abrahamic religions and the path of Abraham, the speaker describes a ladder made up of practices such as affirmation, generosity, sacred hospitality, forgiveness, love, sacrifice, friendship, and surrender. The ladder joins heaven and earth and unites human and angelic realms.

CDA 0423

Christianity and the Ancient Wisdom [sound recording] / Geddes MacGregor. Wheaton, IL : Theosophical Society in America, p2009, c1982. 1 sound disc (68 min.)

Geddes MacGregor suggests that echoes of the ancient esoteric tenets appear within the Christian paradigm, for instance, in the writings of certain Christian mystics such as St. Paul. Also, certain rites of the Church are based on a profound knowledge of occult phenomena, albeit that many of the present-day clergy are unaware of such an occult basis.

CDA 0416

Dialogue Concerning the Two Chief World Systems, Ptolemaic and Copernican / Galileo Galilei ; translated and with revised notes by Stillman Drake ; foreword by Albert Einstein ; introduction by J.L. Heilbron. New York : Modern Library, 2001. 586 p. (Modern Library science series)
520.1 Gal Gou DCTC

The Eight Limbs of Yoga [videorecording] : steps to achieving perfection / Swami Prabhavananda ; a Vedanta Archives Production. Hollywood, CA : Vedanta Press, c2005. 1 videodisc (120 min.) Recorded live February 1971 at the Vedanta Society's Hollywood Temple.

Two lectures serve as a companion to Prabhavananda's book How to know God: the yoga aphorisms of Patanjali.

DVD 0233

Foundations of the Ageless Wisdom [videorecording] / Ed Abdill. Wheaton, IL : Theosophical Society in America, p2006, c1995. 2 videodiscs (127 min.) Part 1: The ultimate real -- Part 2: Meaningful motion -- Part 3: The sevenfold human nature -- Part 4: Progressive evolution -- Part 5: The path and the spiritual life. This 5-part program looks at many of the key Theosophical theories associated with The Secret Doctrine by H. P. Blavatsky.

DVD 0228

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The Future of Esoteric Christianity [sound recording] / Richard Smoley. Wheaton, IL : Theosophical Society in America, c2008. 1 sound disc (57 min.) Recorded in Holyoke, MA, at the Northeast Regional Conference entitled "The Mystical Heart of Christianity: Moving Beyond Literalism," on October 31, 2008.

In his keynote address, Richard Smoley describes some of the key teachings of esoteric Christianity, including the nature of the kingdom of heaven, the traditional esoteric division of the human entity into body, soul, and spirit, and the inner meaning of the crucifixion and resurrection. He suggests how the external forms of the Christian faith, understood literally, relate to esoteric truths which point to inner experience and awakening.

CDA 0422

Galileo : astronomer and physicist / Paul Hightower. Berkeley Heights, NJ : Enslow Publishers, c1997. 128 p. (Great minds of science)

Profiles the life of Galileo Galilei, focusing on his defense of the Copernican theory and his struggles with the Catholic Church.

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The Heart of Salvation : the life and teachings of Russia's Saint Theophan the Recluse / translated by Esther Williams ; edited with commentary by Robin Amis and an introduction by George A. Maloney. Newbury, MA : Praxis Institute Press, 1991. 183 p.

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Hermetic-Gnostic Roots of Theosophy [sound recording] / Stephan Hoeller. Wheaton, IL : Theosophical Society in America, p2009, c1995. 3 sound discs (199 min.)

In this program, seven doctrinal areas of correspondence between Theosophy and the Hermetic-Gnostic tradition are explored: 1) the potential for the human spirit to awaken from its age long slumber; 2) the nature and role that myth plays in conveying and awakening transcendental insights; 3) the God concept; 4) the flawed nature of the manifested world; 5) the feminine aspect of Divine emanation; 6) the paradigmatic nature of a salvific and messianic archetypal figure; and 7) the frequent reference by H. P. Blavatsky to the Gnostic-Hermetic matrix in her writings.

CDA 0418

Hidden Intercourse : eros and sexuality in the history of Western esotericism / edited by Wouter J. Hanegraaff and Jeffrey J. Kripal. Leiden ; Boston : Brill, 2008. 544 p.

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An Introduction to Esoteric Principles : a study course / William Doss McDavid. 4th ed. Wheaton, IL : Dept. of Education, Theosophical Society in America, 2008, c1977. 84 p.

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Krishnamurti and Eastern Philosophy [sound recording] / Ravi Ravindra. Wheaton, IL : Theosophical Society in America, p2009, c2002. 4 sound discs (238 min.)

An exploration of Indian thought, referring especially to the principal Upanishads, the Yoga Sutras, and the Bhagavad Gita in the context of the following questions raised by Krishnamurti: "Is there something sacred, or is everything matter, everything thought, everything transient, everything impermanent? Is there something incorruptible, timeless, eternal and sacred?" Notions of the sacred, thought, time, and matter as understood by Krishnamurti and in some of the seminal texts of India are discussed. A seminar held at the Olcott School of Theosophy at the Theosophical Society in America, Wheaton, Illinois, April 21-27, 2002.

CDA 0413

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Light on the Path [sound recording] / Felix Layton. Wheaton, IL : Theosophical Society in America, p2009, c1970. 1 sound disc (26 min.)

Felix Layton explains that the aphorisms or rules contained in the cryptic and paradoxical book *Light on the Path* date back to ancient Alexandria and Egypt. Layton also gives practical suggestions for studying the work.
CDA 0415

Lights of the Spirit : historical portraits of Black Bahá'ís in North America, 1898-2004 / edited by Gwendolyn Etter-Lewis and Richard Thomas. Wilmette, IL : Bahá'í Pub., c2006. 338 p.
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Ling Ch'i Ching : a classic Chinese oracle / translated, with commentary, by Ralph D. Sawyer and Mei-chün Lee Sawyer. Boston, MA : Shambhala, 1995. 294 p. (Shambhala dragon editions)
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Mystical Body, Man of Light [sound recording] : the lost secret of the cosmic Christ / Roger Woolger. Wheaton, IL : Theosophical Society in America, c2008. 1 sound disc (78 min.) Recorded in Holyoke, MA, at the Northeast Regional Conference entitled "The Mystical Heart of Christianity: Moving Beyond Literalism," on November 1, 2008.
CDA 0425

The Mystical Heart of Christianity [videorecording] / a presentation of the Theosophical Society in America. Wheaton, IL : Theosophical Society in America, p2009, c2008. 7 videodiscs (508 min.) v.1. pt.1 The future of esoteric Christianity / Richard Smoley (55:24) -- v.1. pt.2 Before Abraham was I am / Christopher Bamford (73:31) -- v.2. pt.3 What is mysticism? / Jon Mundy (84:39) -- v.2. pt.4 Mystical body, man of light : the lost secret of the cosmic Christ / Roger Woolger (76:31) -- v.3. pt.5 The return of the absent mother / Carol Parrish (79:31) -- v.3. pt.6 The red corner : the creative dimension of folk Christianity in Russia and beyond / Cherry Gilchrist (79:58) -- v.4. pt.7 Myth and meaning in Christianity / Robert Ellwood (55:28). Recorded in Holyoke, MA, at the Northeast Regional Conference of the Theosophical Society in America October 31-November 2, 2008.

Much of the Bible was never meant to be taken literally, but was written as a way of pointing to certain truths about spiritual life and awakening. This approach is known as esoteric Christianity. Through lectures and discussions participants in this conference explore key ideas of esoteric Christianity.
DVD 0231

Myth and Meaning in Christianity [sound recording] / Robert Ellwood. Wheaton, IL : Theosophical Society in America, c2008. 1 sound disc (55 min.) Recorded in Holyoke, MA, at the Northeast Regional Conference entitled "The Mystical Heart of Christianity: Moving Beyond Literalism," on November 2, 2008.

Exploring current theories of myth from structuralist to psychoanalytic and archetypal, Professor Ellwood offers examples of how each theory may be applied to the Christian mythos, together with observations on both the strengths and dangers of mythic thinking. The continued appeal of myth to society, as exemplified by *The Wizard of Oz*, *The Lord of the Rings*, *Star Wars*, and *Star Trek*, also suggests that esoteric Christianity could generate positive myths that contribute to individual and social healing.
CDA 0428

Native Spirit and the Sun Dance Way [videorecording] / presented by World Wisdom. Bloomington, IN : World Wisdom, c2007. 2 videodiscs (195 min.)

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In *Native Spirit*, Cree Indian actress Tantoo Cardinal (*Dances with Wolves*), transports the viewer to the days of Red Cloud when, "Our old men talked with spirits and made good medicine. Our young men herded the horses and made love to the girls. In this way we lived and were happy." The voices of Plenty Coup, Fools Crow, Black Elk and other great leaders of their day, convey the heartbreaking story of their people's oppression and their ultimate triumph of the spirit. In *Sun Dance Way*, the words of Thomas Yellowtail, a revered Sun Dance chief of the Crow Indian tribe, are brought to life by the internationally known Cree Indian actor, Gordon Tootoosis (*Legends of the Fall*). Unique photographs and video footage of Sun Dances, from as far back as 1903, reveal the symbolism and mystical beauty of the ancient ceremony which remains at the center of the Plains Indians' lives today.

DVD 0217

The Occult Nature of Love [sound recording] / Capel McCutcheon. Wheaton, IL : Theosophical Society in America, p2008, c1974. 1 sound disc (62 min.)

The speaker traces the Western views of love from the time of Socrates and Plato, through the later writings of Aristotle, and up through the Middle Ages as represented by the writings of Aquinas and Dante. He suggests that there is a natural evolution by which love evolves from the personal and self-seeking to the spiritual and universal.

CDA 0417

Oh, the Places You'll Go! / Dr. Seuss. New York : Random House, c1990. 48 p.

Advice in rhyme for proceeding in life; weathering fear, loneliness, and confusion; and being in charge of your actions.

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One World, One People : how globalization is shaping our future / Gregory C. Dahl. Wilmette, IL : Bahá'í Pub., 2007. 410 p.

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Opening to our Primordial Nature / Khenchen Palden Sherab Rinpoche and Khenpo Tsewang Dongyal Rinpoche ; edited by Ann Helm and Michael White. Ithaca, NY : Snow Lion Publications, c2006. 129 p. verso.

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An Order Outside Time : a Jungian view of the higher self from Egypt to Christ / Robert B. Clarke. Charlottesville, VA : Hampton Roads Pub., c2005. 453 p.

Using Jungian symbolism, the author reinterprets the history of Western spirituality beginning with the myths of ancient Egypt and the Bible.

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The Red Corner [sound recording] : the creative dimension of folk Christianity in Russia and beyond / Cherry Gilchrist. Wheaton, IL : Theosophical Society in America, c2008. 1 sound disc (79 min.)

Russia is known as the country of "two faiths," where Christianity and native traditions merge. Orthodox faiths blend with ancient magical practices, and Christian saints take on the personality and power of older gods. Even the home contains a combination of Christian and pagan elements, including the sacred "Red Corner." Recorded in Holyoke, MA, at the Northeast Regional Conference entitled "The Mystical Heart of Christianity: Moving Beyond Literalism," on November 2, 2008.

CDA 0427

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Religion on the Healing Edge : what Bahá'ís believe / Frank Stetzer. Wilmette, IL : Bahá'í Pub., c2007.
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Return of the Absent Mother [videorecording] / Carol Parrish. Wheaton, IL : Theosophical Society in America, p2009, c2008. 1 disc (80 min.)

Dr. Parrish discusses how Sophia (Wisdom), as the feminine principle of Creation, provides the insightfulness that partners with the Christ, the loving Master. The wisdom and the love of Christ are one and provide a profound and authentic experience of the Christ within. Recorded in Holyoke, MA, at the Northeast Regional Conference entitled "The Mystical Heart of Christianity: Moving Beyond Literalism," on November 2, 2008.

DVD 0230 and CDA 0426

Science of the Soul : consciousness: the bridge between energy and substance / Luis F. Zapata, Christopher J. Hibbard. Ann Arbor, MI : Disciples Press, c1991. 2 v.

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The Secret Doctrine, 100 Years Later [sound recording] / Joy Mills. Wheaton, IL : Theosophical Society in America, p2008, c1988. 10 sound discs (397 min.) Vol. 1. Awakening a new mode of thought (81:13 min.) -- Vol. 2. Its source and structure (80:02 min.) -- Vol. 3. Cosmogogenesis, or the origin of the universe (81:44 min.) - - Vol. 4. Anthropogenesis, or the origin of humanity (79:24 min.) -- Vol. 5. The ethics of the Secret doctrine (75:23 min.)

CDA 0412

The Skeptical Environmentalist : measuring the real state of the world / Bjorn Lomborg. New York : Cambridge University Press, 2001. 515 p.

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Spiritual Work : consciously unfolding spirituality in the daily life / by Luis F. Zapata, Christopher J. Hibbard. Ann Arbor, MI : Disciples Press, c1991. 189 p.

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The Spiritual World [videorecording] / Mitchell E. Gibson ; the Message Company presents a CineVision production. Foresthill, CA : Realilty Films, c2005. 1 videodisc (180 min.) Recorded in Santa Fe, New Mexico, at The Seventh International Conference on Science and Consciousness in April, 2005.

DVD 0234

Stories of the Flood / Uma Kirshnaswami ; illus. by Birgitta Säflund. Niwot, CO : Roberts Rinehart Publishers, c1994. 41 p. The story of Nu Wa (China) -- The story of Hina (Hawaii) -- The story of Matsya (The Hindu people of India) -- The story of Earth and Sky (The Maori people of New Zealand) -- The story of Utnapishtim (Ancient Sumeria) -- The story of Deucalion and Pyrrha (Ancient Greece) -- The story of the Moon (Liberia) -- The story of the frog and the people (The Alabama nation of North America) -- The story of the Tunder God (The Dao people of North Vietnam).

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Supersizing the Mind : embodiment, action, and cognitive extension / Andy Clark. Oxford ; New York : Oxford University Press, 2008. 286 p. (Philosophy of mind)

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Introduction : brainbound versus extended -- From embodiment to cognitive extension -- The active body -- The negotiable body -- Material symbols -- World, Incorporated -- Boundary disputes -- Mind re-bound? -- The cure for cognitive hiccups (HEMC, HEC, HEMC...) -- Rediscovering the brain -- The limits of embodiment -- Painting, planning, and perceiving -- Disentangling embodiment -- Conclusions : mind as mashup.

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Supersymmetry and the Search for a Unified Theory [sound recording] / Dan Hooper. Wheaton, IL : Theosophical Society in America, p2009, c2008. 1 sound disc (71 min.)

Scientists strive to discover patterns in the laws and structure of our universe. One pattern, supersymmetry, relates and unifies the concepts of matter and force though so far no physical evidence for it has yet been discovered. However, this elusive symmetry may be about to be discovered.

CDA 0420

Talks by Joseph Goldstein [videorecording] : Purity of action, purity of mind ; The way of the Tao / Dharma Video. Yucca Valley, CA : Dharma Video, 1989 1 videocassette (115 min.) (Dharma seed tape library)

Two lectures delivered at a Vipassana meditation retreat in Southern California, April 1989. Purity of action, purity of mind -- The way of the Tao. Explains the nature of suffering, the nature of freedom, the meaning of emptiness, and how to lay a groundwork for meditation practice, and, using insight meditation, to rely on direct experience to know the nature of the mind and body. From this experience grows a deep calm.

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The Seven Keys in One [sound recording] : the paramitas / Betty Bland. Wheaton, IL : Theosophical Society in America, c2007. 1 sound disc (80 min.)

The third fragment of The Voice of the silence provides a key for resolving our human predicament. That key is composed of the combined paramitas, or ultimate virtues, which can carry us through the seven portals along the spiritual path. This exploration of the keys and their inter-relatedness provides practical ways to approach the challenges of daily living.

CDA 0421

Theosophical Perceptions in Christian Orthodoxy [sound recording] / Geddes MacGregor. Wheaton, IL : Theosophical Society in America, p2009, c1993. 1 sound disc (68 min.)

Some of the biblical documents such as Proverbs, Ecclesiastes, Ecclesiasticus, and the Wisdom of Solomon are of a distinct type classified by scholars as the wisdom literature of the Bible. From a literary standpoint, the concept of wisdom among the biblical writers has roots in an oral tradition that precedes the writings of the scribal class. The speaker says that this wisdom tradition is cosmopolitan in character, meaning that you can find evidence of it in a variety of cultures.

CDA 0414

Tibetan Buddhism : with its mystic cults, symbolism and mythology, and in its relation to Indian Buddhism / L. Austine Waddell. New York : Dover Publications, 1972. 598 p. Reprint: London: W.H. Allen, 1895, as *The Buddhism of Tibet, or Lamaism*.

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True to Our Feelings : what our emotions are really telling us / Robert C. Solomon. Oxford ; New York : Oxford University Press, 2007. 286 p.

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Trust 22 [videorecording] / directed by Oren Stambouli. New York : Trust22, 2007. 1 videodisc (53 min.) Spanish subtitles.

Believing in a dream is the first step to seeing it, and not the last one. People around the world are waking up each day realizing the immense power they have. Each day, more and more people are shifting realities to create their own and materializing their dreams.

DVD 0232

Unlocking the Power of the Heart [sound recording] / Brent Baum. Wheaton, IL : Theosophical Society in America, p2009, c2008. 2 sound discs (87 min.)

Research is showing that the electromagnetic fields of the heart are fifty times stronger than those of the brain. The speaker believes we attract and create all around us through intentions of the heart, conscious and unconscious. Our early imprints strongly affect those attractions. The speaker provides resources for unlocking what he believes is our unlimited potential for joy, purpose, intimacy, and fulfillment.

CDA 0419

What is Mysticism? [sound recording] / Jon Mundy. Wheaton, IL : Theosophical Society in America, c2008. 1 sound disc (79 min.) Recorded in Holyoke, MA, at the Northeast Regional Conference entitled "The Mystical Heart of Christianity: Moving Beyond Literalism," on November 1, 2008.

Comparing and contrasting esotericism and mysticism, Dr. Mundy explores possibilities that lie beyond the divide of religious denominations.

CDA 0424

Where is Religion in America Going? [videorecording] / Ron Miller. Wheaton, IL : Theosophical Society in America, p2009, c2008. 1 videodisc (95 min.)

What will religion in America look like in 2020? No one has a crystal ball but if we look at current trends, we may be able to draw some rather unexpected and interesting conclusions that have at least a high probability of accuracy.

DVD 0229

The Woman's Dictionary of Symbols and Sacred Objects / Barbara G. Walker ; illustrated by the author. San Francisco : London : Harper & Row, c1988. 563 p.

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Women's Agency and Rituals in Mixed and Female Masonic Orders / edited by Alexandra Heidle, Jan A.M. Snoek. Leiden ; Boston : Brill, 2008. 436 p. (Aries book series, 1871-1405 ; v. 8)

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Writing Down Your Soul : how to activate and listen to the extraordinary voice within / Janet Conner. San Francisco, CA : Conari, 2008. 253 p.

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