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Not Always So Harmony

Ryokan (1758-1831) is, along with Dogen and Hakuin, one of the three giants of Zen in Japan. But unlike his two renowned colleagues, Ryokan was a societal dropout, living mostly as a hermit and a beggar. He was never head of a monastery or temple. He liked playing with children. He had no dharma heir. Even so, people recognized the depth of his realization, and he was sought out by people of all walks of life for the teaching to be experienced in just being around him. His poetry and art were wildly popular even in his lifetime. He is now regarded as one of the greatest poets of the Edo Period, along with Basho, Buson, and Issa. He was also a master artist-calligrapher with a very distinctive style, due mostly to his unique and irrepressible spirit, but also because he was so poor he didn't usually have materials: his distinctive thin line was due to the fact that he often used twigs rather than the brushes he couldn't afford. He was said to practice his brushwork with his fingers in the air when he didn't have any paper. There are hilarious stories about how people tried to trick him into doing art for them, and about how he frustrated their attempts. As an old man, he fell in love with a young Zen nun who also became his student. His affection for her colors the mature poems of his late period. This collection contains more than 140 of Ryokan's poems, with selections of his art, and of the very funny anecdotes about him.

Modern Commentary on the Teachings of Master Linji University of Hawaii Press

In an anthology of original Zen stories, the students of Zen master Shunryu Suzuki, a leading founder of American Buddhism, share reminiscences of him in a series of accounts of their life-changing encounters. 25,000 first printing.

Meditation in Action Broadway

Provides a close-up look at the scandals that rocked the San Francisco Zen Center, a leader in alternative religious practice and the counterculture in America, and their repercussions. 75,000 first printing.

Zazen, Dogen, and the Spirit of Creative Inquiry Hendrickson Pub

Fabrice Midal, by steering his way between conventional Western biography and traditional Tibetan hagiography, has succeeded in painting a detailed portrait of Chgyam Trungpa, the unconventional Tibetan lama, who is regarded as one of the most influential forces in spreading Buddhism to the West. Although Trungpa appeared to be a modern teacher at first glance, he was really one of the most traditional teachers because of his radical emphasis on the source: the root practice of sitting meditation.

Desire, Devotion, and Excess at San Francisco Zen Center Shambhala Publications

Founder of San Francisco's Maitri Hospice for AIDS patients--where he died in 1990--Dorsey practiced Zen for 20 years, after leading an outrageous existence as a drag queen, prostitute, junkie, and commune leader. "Issan's story contributes significantly to the history of the gay community and its response to AIDS".--Randy Shilts. Photos.

The Life and Zen Teaching of Shunryu Suzuki Shambhala Publications

Arthur Lee's band, Love, is widely acknowledged as one of most influential groups of the late sixties. Led by Lee through a tempestuous history of dissolutions and resurrections, their psychedelie-folk masterpiece, *Forever Changes*, regularly appears in polls of the greatest albums of all time. Recent times, however, have not been so kind: in 1996. Lee was diagnosed with Parkinson's disease and also received a twelve-year sentence for threatening his neighbors with a gun. Including interviews with Lee himself and guitarist Bryan Maclean, among many others, this fascinating tale reveals the dark side of the Summer of Love--heroin, crime, and bitter ego battles--while also tracking Lee's musical career through the post Love years to his recent incarceration in a U.S. jail.

An American Zen Failure in Japan Simon and Schuster

Can you be an atheist and still believe in God? Can you be a true believer and still doubt? Can Zen give us a way past our constant fighting about God? Brad Warner was initially interested in Buddhism because he wanted to find God, but Buddhism is usually thought of as godless. In the three decades since Warner began studying Zen, he has grappled with paradoxical questions about God and managed to come up with some answers. In this fascinating search for a way beyond the usual arguments between fundamentalists and skeptics, Warner offers a profoundly engaging and idiosyncratic take on the ineffable power of the "ground of all being."

The Apostle of Jesus Christ : His Life and Works, His Epistles and Teachings : a Contribution to a Critical History of Primitive Christianity Univ of California Press

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Teaching Stories and Anecdotes of Shunryu Suzuki, Author of Zen Mind, Beginner's Mind Shambhala Publications

The Architect: Reconstructing Her Practice examines how the introduction of women to the main body of architecture might bring about a reconstruction of the orders that pervade architectural production and consumption. At a moment when the architectural profession is beginning to shift from its traditionally male domination, *The Architect: Reconstructing Her Practice* examines how the introduction of women to the main body of architecture might bring about a reconstruction of the orders that pervade architectural production and consumption. In a collection of autobiographical essays in which practice is both the site and the vehicle for change, twelve American and European architects reflect on the nature of critical practice and its relation to architecture. The contributors were chosen not only for the distinguished quality of their work, but also for the range of architectural practices they collectively encompass--from the intersection of theory and philosophy to the intersection of building process and industry. Together, they present a compelling and provocative critique of architectural culture. All show a willingness to transgress the various mediums and territories of architecture, to recover and reopen certain discussions lost in the

architectural discourse they have inherited.

Moments with Shunryu Suzuki : Stories of a Zen Master Told by His Students Parallax Press

According to legend, when the founder of Zen Buddhism was asked about the main principle of his holy teaching, he replied that there was "nothing holy about it!" Now, a millennium and a half later, Tim Burkett reveals how and why the wisdom of nonholiness is the key to a joyful heart. You don't need to go looking for something sacred—the happiness you seek is right where you are. In this book, a concise summary of Zen teachings unfolds within the ordinary comedies and tragedies of everyday life, beginning with the delightful nonholiness Burkett experienced in the presence of his original teacher, Shunryu Suzuki.

Leading Experts on Buddhism, Psychology, and Medicine Explore the Health Benefits of

Contemplative Practice Simon and Schuster

Personal stories and anecdotes of the trailblazing Zen teacher Suzuki Roshi--now reissued in hardcover in tandem with the publication of the follow-up volume, *Zen Is Right Now*. Shunryu Suzuki's extraordinary gift for presenting traditional Zen teachings using ordinary language is well known to the countless readers of *Zen Mind, Beginner's Mind*. In *Zen Is Right Here*, his teachings are brought to life through stories told by his students. These living encounters with Zen are poignant, direct, humorous, paradoxical, and enlightening—and their setting in real-life contexts makes them wonderfully accessible. Like the Buddha himself, Shunryu Suzuki gave profound teachings that were skillfully expressed for each moment, person, and situation he encountered. He emphasized that while the essence of Buddhism is constant, the expression of that essence is always changing. Each of the stories presented here is an example of this versatile and timeless quality, showing that the potential for attaining enlightenment exists right here, at this very place.

Their Lives, Their Works, Their Legacy New World Library

Whether speaking of student or master, Zen hinges on the question. Zen practice does not necessarily focus on the answers, but on finding a space in which we may sustain uncertainty and remain present and upright in the middle of investigations. *Zen Questions* begins by exploring "The World of Zazen,"--the foundational practice of the Zen school--presenting it as an attitude of sustained inquiry that offers us an entryway into true repose and joy. From there, Leighton draws deeply on his own experience as a Zen scholar and teacher to invite us into the creativity of Zen awareness and practice. He explores the poetic mind of Dogen with the poetry of Rumi, Mary Oliver, Gary Snyder, and even "the American Dharma Bard" Bob Dylan. What's more, Leighton uncovers surprising resonances between the writings of America's Founding Fathers--including Thomas Jefferson and Ben Franklin--and the liberating ideals at the heart of Zen.

More Teaching Stories and Anecdotes of Shunryu Suzuki, Author of Zen Mind, Beginner's Mind Counterpoint LLC

A perennial favorite, *Great Disciples of the Buddha* is now relaunched in our best-selling *Teachings of the Buddha* series. 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 authentic Pali sources, the material in these stories has never before been assembled in a single volume. Through these engaging tales, we meet all manner of human beings - rich, poor, male, female, young, old - whose unique stories are told with an eye to the details of ordinary human concerns. When read with careful attention,

these stories can sharpen our understanding of the Buddhist path by allowing us to contemplate the living portraits of the people who fulfilled the early Buddhist ideals of human perfection. The characters detailed include: Sariputta Nanda Mahamoggallana Mahakassapa Ananda Isidasi Anuruddha Mahakaccana Angulimala Visakha and many more. Conveniently annotated with the same system of sutta references used in each of the other series volumes, *Great Disciples of the Buddha* allows the reader to easily place each student in the larger picture of Buddha's life. It is a volume that no serious student of Buddhism should miss.

My Father, My Friend Shambhala Publications

In a world that increasingly searches for moral wisdom, David Chadwick reflects on over five decades of love and learning from his dad. The wisdom gleaned from his dad is here passed down to future fathers and all people who long for principles by which to live and raise their children. Whether it's relationships, marriage, parenting, or simple counsel about everyday life, David captures his father's words as a legacy for the twenty-first century. *My Father, My Friend: Lessons on Life and Love* offers a series of pithy quotes divided into five sections: marriage, parenting, relationships, personal counsel, and faith. David tells a story of growing up with his dad that illustrates the nature and character of any good father. As we eagerly seek the generational truth that sustained our country through the Depression and World War II, David points us to his own hero as a pattern of practical courage. In a time when dads who didn't have dads are being called to raise their kids, this book offers help from the person David Chadwick considers the greatest man in the greatest generation, his Father.

Practicing the True Spirit of Zen University of New Mexico Press

A new book by the author of "Zen Mind, Beginner's Mind" offers a posthumous sequel to Shunryu Suzuki's seminal work on Buddhism, collecting his insights on the famous eighth-century Zen poem Sandokai. Illustrations.

The Life and Work of Issan Dorsey Simon and Schuster

Regular meditation practice has a powerful impact on the mind and body, rewiring the brain and bringing us all kinds of benefits: contentment and well-being, resilience and focus, better mental and physical health, and greater empathy and compassion. This wide-ranging anthology brings together pioneering Tibetan Buddhist teachers, scientific researchers, and health professionals to offer fascinating perspectives on the mind and emotions, new studies, and firsthand accounts of how meditation is being applied to great effect in health and social care today. • Sogyal Rinpoche and Jetsün Khandro Rinpoche on how meditation unlocks the mind's healing power • Jon Kabat-Zinn on the benefits of mindfulness in mainstream health care • Clifford Saron on the Shamatha Project, the most comprehensive study of the effects of meditation ever conducted • Sara Lazar on what happens to our brain when we meditate • Erika Rosenberg on how meditation helps us relate better to our emotions • Dr. Lucio Bizzini, MD, on how Mindfulness-Based Cognitive Therapy is used to treat depression • Ursula Bates on how mindfulness supports terminally ill patients as they approach the end of their lives Plus chapters from other innovators who apply meditation in health care and social work: Dr. Edel Maex, MD; Dr. Cathy Blanc, MD; Rosamund Oliver; and Dr. Frédéric Rosenfeld, MD.

Writing, Zen, and This Zigzag Life Shambhala Publications

These hilarious essays on life inside and outside a Zen monastery make up the spiritual memoir of

Shozan Jack Haubner, a Zen monk who didn't really start out to be one. Raised in a conservative Catholic family, Shozan went on to study philosophy (becoming de-Catholicized in the process) and to pursue a career as a screenwriter and stand-up comic in the clubs of L.A. How he went from life in the fast lane to life on the stationary meditation cushion is the subject of this laugh-out-loud funny account of his experiences. Whether he's dealing with the pranks of a juvenile delinquent assistant in the monastery kitchen or defending himself against claims that he appeared in a porno movie under the name "Daniel Reed" (he didn't, really) or being surprised in the midst of it all by the compassion he experiences in the presence of his teacher, Haubner's voice is one you'll be compelled to listen to. Not only because it's highly entertaining, but because of its remarkable insight into the human condition.

Crooked Cucumber Shambhala Publications

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- Draws on Buddhist philosophy to describe how and why the exercises work
- Woven throughout with a lighthearted parable of an overweight and out-of-work Lone Ranger and Tonto who meet Buddha and experience spiritual awakening

Sharing a series of mindfulness techniques and acting exercises that show how malleable the self can be, award-winning actor, narrator, and Zen Buddhist priest Peter Coyote reveals how to use masks, meditation, and improvisation to free yourself from fixed ideas of who you think you are and help you release your ego from constant defensive strategizing, calm the mind's overactivity, and allow spontaneous playfulness to arise out of your deepest nature. Developed through 40 years of research and personal study, Coyote's synthesis of mask-based improv games and Zen practices is specifically designed to create an ego-

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Great Disciples of the Buddha Harmony

For over thirty years, *Opening the Hand of Thought* has offered an introduction to Zen Buddhism and meditation unmatched in clarity and power. This is the revised edition of Kosho Uchiyama's singularly incisive classic. This new edition contains even more useful material: new prefaces, an index, and extended endnotes, in addition to a revised glossary. As Jisho Warner writes in her preface, *Opening the Hand of Thought* "goes directly to the heart of Zen practice... showing how Zen Buddhism can be a deep and life-sustaining activity." She goes on to say, "Uchiyama looks at what a person is, what a self is, how to develop a true self not separate from all things, one that can settle in peace in the midst of life." By turns humorous, philosophical, and personal, *Opening the Hand of Thought* is above all a great book for the Buddhist practitioner. It's a perfect follow-up for the reader who has read *Zen Meditation in Plain English* and is especially useful for those who have not yet encountered a Zen teacher.