The Sufi Journey of Baba Rexheb - Frances Trix

2011-09-05 Baba Rexheb, a Muslim mystic from the Balkans, founded the first Bektashi community in America. This is his life story and the story of his communities: the traditional Bektashi tekke in Albania where he first served, the displaced persons camps to which he escaped after the war, the centuries-old tekke in Cairo where he waited, and the Bektashi community that he founded in Michigan in 1954 and led until his passing in 1995. Baba Rexheb lived through the twentieth century, its wars, disruptions, and dislocations, but still at a profound level was never displaced. Through Bektashi stories, oral histories, and ethnographic experience, Frances Trix recounts the life and times of this modern Sufi leader. She studied with Baba Rexheb in his community for more than twenty years. As a linguistic anthropologist, she taped twelve years of their weekly meetings in Turkish, Albanian, and Arabic. She draws extensively on Baba’s own words, as well as interactions at the Michigan Bektashi center, for a remarkable perspective on our times. You come to know Baba Rexheb and his gentle way of teaching through example and parable, poetry and humor. The book also documents the history of the 700-year-old Bektashi order in the nineteenth and twentieth centuries in the Balkans and Egypt and its transposition to America. It attests to the role of Sufi centers in Islamic community life and their interaction with people of other faiths.

A Journey To Self-Peace - Dr. Abdelfattah Mohsen Badawi 2013-10-14 The fruit of a thesis for a doctoral degree in comparative religions and mysticism, A Journey To Self-Peace is Dr. Abdelfattah Mohsen Badawi’s gift to the spiritual seekers of contemporary society. Bringing together faith that walks different roads and signifying that all roads lead to the same goal, Dr. Badawi lays before the reader the problems faced by humanity today and their solution, which can be found by embarking on a journey to discover peace within oneself, the Self that is a spark of Almighty God. On this sacred journey to self-peace, Dr. Badawi walks the road laid down by Sufi saints, adhering to his faith in Islam. He adopts the sacred method of repetition of the Name of God, called dhikr in Sufism and namasmarana in Sanathana Dharma. A Journey To Self-Peace expounds on the benefits of the practice of repetition of the Name, the obstacles that lie on this sacred road Godward, and the scientific analysis that proves this method as a solution to the physical, mental, and social ills faced by humanity. This book brings to fore and highlights the benefits of a practice, which is, according to God Incarnate, the Avatar Bhagawan Sri Sathya Sai Baba, the easiest method to attain realisation of God in the present age.

Islamic Mysticism and the Bektashi Path - Baba Rexheb 2019-02-22 "The Bektashi Way is profoundly simple yet perplexingly complex, striking in its boldness yet gracious in its subtlety; consequently, while shining forth brightly it still is seemingly cloaked in obscurity. There have been attempts to gather its history, characteristic ideas, and observable aspects together and to elucidate its inner wisdom in prose, but few of these attempts have been made
by knowledgeable insiders, and even fewer of these have been made in English. This full translation of Baba Rexheb's Islamic

In the Presence of Sai Baba-Smith Srinivas
2008-02-25 This book offers an account of the Sai Baba movement as a pathway for charting the varied cartographies, sensory formations, and cultural memories implicated in urbanization and globalization. It is based on ethnographic research carried out in India, Kenya, and the US.

Historical Dictionary of Albania-Robert Elsie
2010 Albania is not well known by outsiders; it was deliberately closed to the outside world during the communist era. Now it has thankfully become free again, its borders are open and it can be visited, and it is increasingly integrating with the rest of Europe and beyond. Unfortunately, Albania has its share of problems in the post-communist era; it's a land of destitution and despair, thanks in part to the Albanian mafia, which has turned the country into one of blood-feuds, kalashnikovs, and eternal crises. Yet, Albania is, in essence, a European nation like any other and will soon, it is to be hoped, advance and take its proper place in Europe and the world. The second edition of the Historical Dictionary of Albania relates the history of this little-known country through a detailed chronology, an introduction, a bibliography, appendices, and over 700 cross-referenced dictionary entries on significant persons, places, and events; institutions and organizations; and political, economic, social, cultural, and religious facets.

God and Logic in Islam-John Walbridge
2010-11-15 This book investigates the central role of reason in Islamic intellectual life. Despite widespread characterization of Islam as a system of belief based only on revelation, John Walbridge argues that rational methods, not fundamentalism, have characterized Islamic law, philosophy, and education since the medieval period. His research demonstrates that this medieval Islamic rational tradition was opposed by both modernists and fundamentalists, resulting in a general collapse of traditional Islamic intellectual life and its replacement by more modern but far shallower forms of thought. However, the resources of this Islamic scholarly tradition remain an integral part of the Islamic intellectual tradition and will prove vital to its revival. The future of Islam, Walbridge argues, will be marked by a return to rationalism.

A Sufi's Journey to Truth-Faruk Dilaver
2020-03-24 “We have known each other through all of eternity. The Beloved is connected to all of us through our inner heart. So how can we be strangers when we know each other so intimately.” Have you ever looked into the eye of love? I was walking in a crowded street with my friend. Suddenly, everyone coming in the opposite direction started greeting him. I thought, “How could this happen? There is no way everyone knows him!” I started writing this book out of this curiosity. In the end, I also looked into the eye of love and became acquainted with our Beloved. This book is based on a true story and only the names are changed. It is written in the loving memory of our beloved Haci Ahmet Kayhan Dede, the Yunus Emre of our century.

Journey Towards Insight by Sufi Teacher-Khwaja Shamsuddin Azeemi 2009-01

Islam in America: Exploring the Issues-Craig Considine 2019-10-31 A valuable resource for readers interested in the role of Islam in contemporary U.S. politics and society, this first-of-its kind reference synthesizes Islamic teachings, the example of Prophet Muhammad, and the vision of the Founding Fathers. • Summarizes the role of Islam in contemporary U.S. politics and society via overview essays • Uses a chronology to identify the most important events related to Islam in the U.S. • Includes roughly 50 alphabetically arranged reference entries for key topics related to Islam in American religion and politics • Features bibliographies and an end-of-work annotated bibliography to direct the reader to additional sources of information

L’autorité religieuse et ses limites en terres d’islam- 2013-03-22 Through various case studies in Central Asia, throughout the Ottoman Empire, in the Balkans and in Turkey, this book discusses the religious authority exercised by different actors and the limits, whether theological, political, social or institutional, they are confronted with. - A travers différents cas
d'étude en Asie centrale, dans l'Empire ottoman, les Balkans et en Turquie, ce livre analyse l'autorité religieuse exercée par différents acteurs ainsi que les limites théologiques, politiques, sociales ou institutionnelles auxquelles ils se heurtent.

Finding W.D. Fard - John Andrew Morrow 2019-01-14 Since his arrival in Detroit on July 4, 1930, W.D. Fard, known also as Wallace Fard Muhammad and over fifty other aliases, has elicited an enormous amount of curiosity. Who was this man who claimed that he was both the Messiah and the Mahdi, and who was identified as God in Person by his disciple, Elijah Muhammad, whom he reportedly appointed as his Final Messenger? The people who actually met him, and the scholars who have studied him, have suggested that he was variously an African American, an Arab from Syria, Lebanon, Algeria, Morocco or Saudi Arabia, a Jamaican, a Turk, an Afghan, an Indo-Pakistani, an Iranian, an Azeri, a white American, a Bosnian, a Mexican, a Greek or even a Jew. In an attempt to determine the origins of W.D. Fard, most scholars have relied on his teachings as passed down, and perhaps modified, by Elijah Muhammad. Some have suggested that he was a member of the Moorish Science Temple of America or the Ahmadiyyah Movement. Others have suggested that he was a Druze or a Shiite. Finding W.D. Fard: Unveiling the Identity of the Founder of the Nation of Islam provides an overview of the scholarly literature related to this mysterious subject and the theories concerning his ethnic and racial origins. It provides the most detailed analysis of his teachings to date in order to identify their original and multifarious sources. Finding W.D. Fard considers the conflicting views shared by his early followers to decipher the doctrine he actually taught. Did W.D. Fard really profess to be Allah, or was he deified after his death by Elijah Muhammad? The book features a meticulous study of any and all subjects who fit the profile of W.D. Fard, and provides the most detailed information regarding his life to date. It also offers an overview of turn-of-the-20th-century Islam in the state of Oregon, demonstrating how much W.D. Fard learned about the Muslim faith while residing in the Pacific Northwest. The work finishes with a series of conclusions and suggestions for further scholarship.

Glowing Embers for the New Humanity, Meher Baba & C.G.Jung - Norah Moore 2015-12-07 This is the second book of the trilogy The Manifestation of the Real Self, Meher Baba & C. G. Jung: The Theophany of Majesty and Beauty. Glowing Embers brings a more detailed account of how this path can be undertaken, from its earliest beginnings up to the end of the sixth plane of consciousness, and includes an introduction to the final event of God realization in the seventh and final plane.

Biographical Encyclopaedia of Sufis - N. Hanif 2000

Unravelling the Enigma Shirdi Sai Baba in the Light of Sufism - Marianne Warren 1999 This book examines Sai Baba of Shirdi from the standpoint of Islamic mysticism - the Deccani Sufism of 19th century Maharashtra - in order to resolve the mystery surrounding the saint. Two new pieces of work are used in this book. First, Dr Warren elucidates the English translation of part of the works of some 17th and 18th century Maharashtrian Sufi poet-saints. Secondly, she includes the English translation of the previously untranslated Urdu notebook, jotted down by Abdul - Sai Baba's faqiri pupil - from teachings based on the Qur'an given to him by his pir Sai Baba. Both of these contributions allow us to look into a world hitherto closed, and expand our awareness of the famous miracle-worker of Shirdi.

Journal of a Sufi Odyssey - Volume III - Shaykh Tariq Knecht 2018-11-09 With respect to things which can be said, this trilogy is one of the most revealing excursions into the nature of the Sufi path that has been written in the last 736 years. There are seven kinds of people ... within and without. There are those who know and know that they know. These rare dimensions of the Self are spiritually realized, and one should seek them out and learn from them. There are those who know but don't know that they know. These individuals are asleep and should be woken up. There are those who don't know and know that they don't know. These souls are able to learn and should be taught. There are those who don't know and don't know that they don't know. There are the ignorant ones, and they should be avoided. There are those who know that they don't know but who, for a variety of reasons,
attempt to induce seekers of truth to believe that the former know what they do not. These are the charlatans ... and there are many of them amongst us. There are those people who even when they are shown the truth cannot bear to live with the implications of what has been disclosed and choose to live their lives in various states of denial that become the doorways through which further evil enters into their lives. There are those who seek the truth and try, to the best of their ability, to act judiciously with respect to what has been realized no matter where such truth may take them ... and who, therefore, also are prepared to accept the possibility that truth may be other - in part or in whole -- than what they believe it to be and, therefore, make accommodation for this possibility through their thought and behavior.

Sri Shirdi Sai Baba--The Unique Prophet Of Integration-Prof. Satya Pal Ruhela

Understanding Culture and Society in India-Abha Chauhan

Spiritual Discourse-Frances Trix 1993 Far from Ottoman Turkey and the Balkans, an expanded farmhouse in southern Michigan provides the secure if improbable setting for Baba Rexheb and his Islamic Bektashi community. This is also the setting for Spiritual Discourse, a study of the process by which Baba Rexheb, a ninety-year-old Albanian leader of the Bektashi order, and Frances Trix, an American student who has studied with him for over twenty years, come to share a common universe of experience and attunement. The focus of the study is one lesson with Baba - a lesson that is rich in poetry and parable, narrative and face-saving humor. As Trix seeks to understand how Baba teaches, she contextualizes the lesson internally in terms of episodes and dialogic patterns, and externally in terms of the societal, personal, and ritual histories it presumes. Overall what is being passed on is not facts but a relationship, for the relationship of "seeker" and "master" mirrors that of human and God. Yet on a more immediate level, Baba teaches through a highly personalized, recursive sort of language "play" that engenders current attention while constantly evoking an ever-growing shared past. For scholars of discourse and interaction, the study contributes the central concept of "language attunement" -- A form of "linguistic convergence" that operates not at the level of speech community, but rather at the level of dialogic encounter, and that occurs most often among people who have long interacted. For scholars of Islam and religious studies, the study represents a rare application of sociolinguistics to transmission of spiritual knowledge. The importance of oral interaction in such transmission has long been appreciated, but the conceptual framework and methodology for its analysis have been lacking. An ethnography of learning, a sociolinguistics of mysticism, above all Spiritual Discourse illuminates the process of interpersonal encounter. It is a story gracefully and unpretentiously told.

Journey Through Ten Thousand Veils- Maryam Kabeer Faye 2009-01-01 Born in a Jewish family, Maryam Kabeer was led to live in India and Nepal, and in monasteries in Europe, and then guided to embrace Islam at the hands of an ancient Sufi Master a few minutes away from the tomb of the Prophet Abraham. She then was guided to study intensively with Sufi Masters around the world. Her journey to the holy places and people of the earth, led her finally to Africa and the deep truth that all lives are totally interconnected and united with our own. This book is a significant and revealing social commentary, also dispelling many other myths and stereotypes such as the proposition, often fostered by the media, that women are inevitably oppressed in Islam. On the contrary, it is by entering into the heart of Islam that the author was liberated, elevated, empowered, and guided to realize the true purpose of her existence.

Sri Sathya Sai Baba : A Life-Bill Aitken 2006-07 Acclaimed travel writer and self-described 'spiritual nomad', Bill Aitken tells us why so many - royalty, wealthy industrialists, influential politicians, as well as the poor - flock to Puttaparthi to see Sai Baba.

The Life And Teachings Of Sai Baba Of Shirdi-Antonio Rigopoulos 1993-01-01 A vast and diversified religious movement originating from Sai Baba of Shirdi, is often referred to as "the Sai Baba movement." Through the chronological presentation of Sai Baba's life, light is shed on the various ways in which the important guru figures in this movement came to
be linked to the saint of Shirdi.

**Sufi Castigator**-Lloyd Ridgeon 2006-09-27
Sufi Castigator investigates the writings of Ahmad Kasravi, one of the foremost intellectuals in Iran. It studies his work within the context of Sufism in modern Iran and mystical Persian literature and includes translations of Kasravi's writings. Kasravi provides a fascinating topic for those with interests in Sufism and Iranian studies as he attempted to produce a form of Iranian identity that he believed was compatible with the modern age and Iranian nationalism. His stress on reason and the de-mystification of religion caused him to repudiate Sufism and much of the Sufi literary heritage as backwards and believed it a reason for the weakness of modern Iran. Kasravi's historical observations were weak, and his writings indicate that he was working towards pre-determined conclusions. However, his works are of significance because they contributed to a major discussion in the 1930s to 1940s about the ideal image and identity that Iranians should adopt. Despite the academic weaknesses of Kasravi’s works he had a profound effect on the next generation of thinkers. Sufi Castigator is stimulating and meticulously researched book and includes two lengthy translations of Kasravi's works, Sufism and What does Hafez Say? and will appeal to scholars of middle eastern studies.

**The Sufis**-Idries Shah 1999-08-01
This work offers coverage of the spiritual and psychological tradition of Sufism. It shows that Sufism is not the preserve of ecstatic religionists, but has a contribution to make to human culture and philosophy.

**Sufi Encounters**-Shaykh Fadhllalla Haeri 2019-05-14
An unparalleled exploration of Sufism as it is practised around the world, describing meetings with today's enlightened teachers as well as including wonderfully inspiring translations of the great Sufi masters of the past. Ultimately, this book acts as a guide to the Sufi path and offers wise insight into the meaning and purpose of life. A compelling view of Sufi history together with vivid personal remembrances of living mystics. This is an inspiring and at the same time beautifully subtle book, with light-filled insights on every page. "- Saadi Shakur Chishti, author of The Sufi Book of Life The Sufi path described in this book leads the seeker past ordinary states of consciousness towards a new experience of infinitude that is the source of the universe. In this stage there is no duality or otherness, but instead infinitude, the Original Oneness, from which all dualities and attributes emanate. The book is at once an autobiography, a didactic treatise and a literary opus full of wonderful translations of the words of earlier Sufis, as well as the author's own poetry. It describes Shaykh Fadhllalla Haeri’s life quest to connect today’s world with classical times, especially through his meetings with enlightened Sufis all over the globe. Shaykh Fadhllalla Haeri also addresses profound Sufi teachings concerning the nature of humankind, the cosmos and God, using clear and simple language to address difficult doctrinal issues as only a master who has digested fully such knowledge could do. The book also reveals much about the present-day Islamic world where, despite the tragedies that are to be seen everywhere, tradition and spirituality survive. This is a metaphysical and spiritual guide to the Sufi path that ultimately offers insight into the meaning and purpose of life.

**The Lamp of Love**-Amatullah Armstrong Chishti 2005
The Lamp of Love: Journeying with the Sabri Brothers recounts the journey of an Australian Sufi woman whose devotion to the powerful and ecstatic music of Pakistan's legendary qawwals (Sufi singers), the Sabri Brothers, drew her from the tranquility of the Australian countryside to settle in the midst of overpopulated Karachi, so that she could immerse herself more deeply in the Sufi tradition.

**THE SUFI WAY... Metaphysics & Stages of the Path in Poetry by Mansur Al-Hallaj, Nizami, Ibn Al-Farid and Others**-Paul Smith 2020-06-12
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The Big Five of India in Sufism-Wahiduddin Begg 1972

The Sufi Path-Paul Smith 2016-09-10 THE SUFI PATH Metaphysics & Stages of the Way in Poetry by Mansur al-Hallaj, Nizami, Ibn al-Farid and others Translation & Introduction Paul Smith CONTENTS: The Tawasin. Mansur al-Hallaj was executed for declaring: "I am the Truth (Anal Haq)." Much has been written about his famous (and in-famous) statement and his masterpiece The Tawasin in which he makes it. 'Written in rhymed Arabic prose... it sets forth a doctrine of sainthood-a doctrine founded on personal experience and clothed in the form of a subtle yet passionate dialectic.' R.A. Nicholson. Treasury of Mysteries by Nizami...:...". the most beautiful mystic poem in the Persian language, has both perfection of language and grandeur of thought. Every line of his Treasury of Mysteries is a living witness to his absolute certainty that piety, devotion, humility and self-forgetfulness are the cornerstones of total annihilation, which in turn is necessary for unification with God and the foundation of the edifice of eternal life." G. H. Darab. Senior lecturer in Persian. University of London. Rose Garden of Mystery by Shabistari... is regarded as one of the finest books on Sufism. E.G. Browne: "On the whole, one of the best manuals of Sufi theosophy that exists." Rev. John A. Subhan: "Important... because it is a compendium of Sufi terminology in the form of question and answer." R.A. Nicholson, "A versified exposition of the chief Sufi Doctrines. It should be read by every one seriously interested in the subject." The Sufi's Progress by Ibn al-Farid who is considered to be the undisputed master of Islamic mystical (Sufi) poetry into Arabic. He is considered not only to be a poet but a Perfect Master (Qutub) a God-realised soul... it is his journey to unity with God that he reveals in probably the longest qasida (ode) in Arabic. Book of Ecstasy or Ball & Polo-Stick by 'Arifi... 'allegory of the human soul and also a rendition of the analogy of that soul and the macrocosmic soul... goes further than many mystical treatises in that it not only deals with the matter of spiritual ecstasy, but also emphasizes that when attunement with the macrocosmic element is attained, even mystical experience is dwarfed... a most important and still valuable part of the scriptures of the Sufis.' Al Faqir Hafiz Amir Barakawi-Khajawi. Poems Composed while Reading 'God Speaks' of Meher Baba... Meher Baba's metaphysical views are most notably described in God Speaks. He upheld the concept of non-duality, the view that diverse creation, or duality, is an illusion and that the goal of life is conscious realization of the absolute Oneness of
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Chanting Mantras - Goce Nikolski 2015-05-04 Chanting Mantras with Best Chords Singing words of mantras, prayers or devotional songs we become the transcendental vibration of the sound we repeat, we become pure love and joy. Meditation, contemplation, mantras and prayers from all around the world are becoming a spiritual force leading towards more love on Earth. The Guide to Chanting Mantras with Best Chords is a perfect chanting mantras guide for beginners, designed to inspire your spiritual search and meditation journey into the world of mantras and mantra singing. The Guide to Mantra Chanting with best Chords analyses over 50 mantras, their spiritual meaning, lyrics and chords and it explores: - Hindu sacred mantras - Buddhist mantras - Sufi Chants - New-Consciousness Mantras in English

Gateways to the Divine - Andrew D. Mayes 2020-10-21 Step across the threshold and enter different spiritual worlds! Discover riches from the treasury of Jerusalem’s religious traditions. Meet ordinary people of the holy city becoming extraordinary as they explore pathways to the Divine: practitioners of Kabbalah and Sufi traditions, Armenian and Syriac prayer, Franciscan and Orthodox spiritualities. Listen to those who actually live on the Via Dolorosa, the Way of the Cross—their hopes and heartaches. Experience for yourself the transformative and life-changing potential of their spiritualities in a way that will enrich and empower you in your own situation and equip you for a greater engagement with spiritual traditions. This is the invitation of this book and the lure of the gateways of Jerusalem. This resource embraces a kaleidoscope and mosaic of nationalities and ethnicities and spiritual traditions. Chapters include a short extract from classic spiritual writers of each tradition so we can engage firsthand with their spiritual riches. Suggested prayer exercises encourage us to make this an experiential reading, while questions in each chapter trigger reflection in individual readers or in groups using this as a course. Two concluding...
chapters identify commonalities and shared threads amongst the tapestry of religious traditions, and help us to relate the experience of this book to our own everyday environment.

**Journal of a Sufi Odyssey - Volume II**-Shaykh Tariq Knecht 2018-11-09 With respect to things which can be said, this trilogy is one of the most revealing excursions into the nature of the Sufi path that has been written in the last 736 years. There are four kinds of people ... within and without. There are those who know and know that they know. These rare dimensions of the Self are spiritually realized, and one should seek them out and learn from them. There are those who know but don't know that they know. These individuals are asleep and should be woken up. There are those who don't know and know that they don't know. These souls are able to learn and should be taught. There are those who don't know and don't know that they don't know. These are the ignorant ones, and they should be avoided.

**A History of Sufism in India: Early Sufism and its history in India to 1600 A.D**-Saiyid Athar Abbas Rizvi 1978

**Encyclopaedia of Sufism: Sufism in India**-Masood Ali Khan 2003

**GALATA MAWLAWI LODGE MUSEUM**-Yavuz Özdemir 2018-05-01 Galata Mawlawi Lodge served as a dervish lodge for 434 years. This dargah raised influential figures such as Ankaravi İsmail Dede, Shayk Galip, Fasih Dede, Esrar Dede and master neyzan Osman Dede, besides occupying a place in the hearts of several Ottoman sultans like Sultan Selim III and Sultan Mahmud II. During the last years of the lodge, it had wellknown visitors and muhibs such as Walad (Chalabi) İzbudak, Ahmed Jalal ad-Din Dede, Selman Tüzün, Cemaleddin Server Revnakoğlu, Mithat Bahari Beytur, Ahmet Bican Kasapoğlu, Necati Ergin and several other tasawwuf cognoscenti.

**The Path of Yoga**-Osho 2013-04-09 Yoga is now internationally an integral part of our health-conscious cultural landscape. It is practiced by millions for health and fitness reasons. While Yoga is seen and practiced mostly as a body exercise program, the interest in the philosophical and spiritual dimension of Yoga is growing. This book introduces us to Patanjali, the founder of ancient Yoga in India. It takes us step by step into a deeper understanding of the essence and origins of Yoga. Osho introduces and unlocks Patanjali's ancient sutras, revealing how contemporary this ancient message truly is. It quickly becomes clear that we are just on the cusp of gaining a much deeper understanding of Yoga and its place in our evolving world. Surprisingly, the mind even more than the body is the focus of Patanjali's teaching. He says: "Yoga is the cessation of mind." As Osho says: "This is the definition of Yoga, the best definition. Yoga has been defined in many ways; there are many definitions. Some say Yoga is the meeting of the mind with the divine; hence, it is called yoga – yoga means meeting, joining together. Some say that Yoga means dropping the ego, ego is the barrier: the moment you drop the ego you are joined to the divine. You were already joined; it only appeared that you were not joined because of the ego. There are many definitions, but Patanjali’s is the most scientific. He says: Yoga is the cessation of mind. “What is the mind? What is the mind doing there? What is it? Ordinarily we think that mind is something substantial there, inside the head. Patanjali doesn’t agree, and no one who has ever known the inside of the mind will agree. Modern science also doesn’t agree. Mind is not something substantial inside the head. Mind is just a function, just an activity."

**Avatar Meher Baba Bibliography**-J. Flagg Kris 1978

**Sacred Spaces**-Samina Quraeshi 2010-03-31 Sufism, the mystical path of Islam, is a key feature of the complex Islamic culture of South Asia today. Influenced by philosophies and traditions from other Muslim lands and by pre-Islamic rites and practices, Sufism offers a corrective to the image of Islam as monolithic and uniform. In Sacred Spaces, Pakistani artist and educator Samina Quraeshi provides a locally inflected vision of Islam in South Asia that is enriched by art and by a female perspective on the diversity of Islamic expressions of faith. A unique account of a journey through the author’s childhood homeland in search of the wisdom of the Sufis, the book reveals the deeply spiritual nature of major centers of Sufism in the central
and northwestern heartlands of South Asia. Illuminating essays by Ali S. Asani, Carl W. Ernst, and Kamil Khan Mumtaz provide context to the journey, discussing aspects of Sufi music and dance, the role of Sufism in current South Asian culture and politics, and the spiritual geometry of Sufi architecture.

**Die Before You Die** - Anab Whitehouse  
2018-11-06 This book explores the significance of a saying of the Prophet Muhammad -- namely, "Die before you die" -- from the perspective of an individual who has been journeying along a path of discovery for more than 50 years. The contents of this book might be one of the most unique, intriguing, and challenging accounts of Islam and the Sufi path that has been published in North America. Just a little over a year ago, the author of this book died -- several times -- in the emergency room of a local hospital. This book starts with those events and, then, expands outward to talk about an array of experiences (including spiritual abuse) that has shaped his understanding of Islam, the Sufi path, life, and himself. In addition, the book critically reflects on a series of issues that have relevance in today's world. These ideas range from: Sam Harris, to topics such as: Education, religion, mysticism, science, and shari'ah. While each of the book's four sections has something to offer readers with respect to assisting a person to work toward developing a deeper understanding of Islam and its mystical dimension (as well as a number of other topics), the book's section on shari'ah might prove to be the most illuminating and thought-provoking facet of the book. More specifically, Dr. Whitehouse introduces readers to a way of engaging the topic of shari'ah that is quite different from what is normally thought of in conjunction with that term and, if God wishes, could serve as a way of helping to bring the Muslim world and the West closer together in a variety of constructive and harmonious ways.

**Baba Farid** - Balwant Singh Anand 1975 On the life and works of Shaikh Farid Uddin, 1175?-1265, Panjabi Sufi poet.