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Secular Spaces for Collections in the Lands of the Bohemian Crown on the Threshold of the Early Modern Era Fordham Univ Press

Originally published in 1531-1533, De occulta philosophia libri tres, (Three books of Occult Philosophy) proposed that magic existed, and it could be studied and used by devout Christians, as it was derived from God, not the Devil. Agrippa had a huge influence on Renaissance esoteric philosophers, particularly Giordano Bruno. This edition is a pastiche of a portion of a translation of Agrippas' libri tres by an unidentified translator; excerpts from a book on Agrippa by Henry Morley with extensive background; and some self-promotional material by the publisher, L. W. de Lawrence.

From Studiolo to Gallery Cambridge University Press

An interdisciplinary study on the myth of racial democracy in Brazil through the prism of producers of Afro-Brazilian culture.

Witchcraft Confessions and Accusations Oxford University Press

Il vodù è un culto religioso praticato da secoli in Africa occidentale e giunto nelle Americhe con gli schiavi (dove ha assunto caratteristiche proprie e il nome di voodoo). In questo volume, frutto di una ricerca sul campo durata diversi anni, per la prima volta si analizzano le forme di vodù ancora esistenti nella regione costiera di Togo e Bénin, sia nelle aree rurali che nelle principali città, dove i culti vodù rivestono un ruolo molto importante nella vita religiosa locale. Si tratta di un complesso sistema di credenze che si fonda su un'intensa pratica rituale: le danze, i movimenti e le decorazioni del corpo, i fenomeni di possessione, i colori, i suoni, gli odori, gli animali sacrificati e gli oggetti dei santuari sono gli attori essenziali delle cerimonie rituali, attraverso le quali gli adepti costruiscono un senso di appartenenza sociale e tracciano un dialogo con il mondo del non visibile. I vodù sono entità che incarnano al contempo il bene e il male, la speranza di prosperità e di successo e una costante minaccia di morte, sovente espressa attraverso il linguaggio della stregoneria. Gli interlocutori e protagonisti del libro sono i praticanti, i sacerdoti e le sacerdotesse vodù, ma anche l'insieme della cultura materiale che per la sua intensa capacità espressiva ha da sempre attratto e respinto i viaggiatori, i missionari, i mercanti e gli studiosi.

The Voodoo Gods Princeton University Press

Che cosa portare con sé in un viaggio della speranza verso l'Europa? Se lo chiede l'antropologo Luca Pisoni, quando decide di vivere un anno con i migranti di passaggio al Brennero e quelli residenti in un centro di accoglienza di Trento. Il risultato è questo libro, che descrive lo svolgersi quotidiano di incontri e interviste, caratterizzate da emozioni altalenanti e corredate da piccoli aneddoti. Un viaggio tra bibbie, corani, amuleti vudù, mazze da cricket e magliette da calcio. Su tutto, però, domina la figura dello smartphone, dentro al quale sono custoditi i più intimi e privati ricordi e fotografie. Come in una sorta di archeologia del presente, Il bagaglio intimo, corredato da un'ampia documentazione fotografica, restituisce l'essenza degli oggetti, che sono in grado di consolare la nostalgia di casa e fanno reagire alle dure circostanze del viaggio.

Possession, Ecstasy, and Law in Ewe Voodoo CABI

Ilê Aiyê's unifying identity politics through Afro-Carnival performance, is embedded in its dialectical relationship with the rest of Brazil as it takes ownership of its oppressed status by striving for racial equality and economic empowerment. Against this complex background, performative theory offers significant new meanings. In ritualistically integrating Bakhtinian categories of free interaction, eccentric behavior, carnivalistic misalliances, and the sacrilegious, Ilê Aiyê anchors its social discourse on showcasing the black race as a critical agency of beauty, pride, wisdom, subversion, and negotiation. Ilê Aiyê carnival is not only racially conscious, it heightens the conflicts by dislocating the very establishment that invests in its cultural politics. In fusing the

sacred, the profane, the performative, the musical, with the political, Ilê Aiyê succeeds in indicting racism, ironically sacrificing the very power it pursues. Despite these limitations, Ilê Aiyê creatively engages alternative dialogues on Brazilian politics through sponsored performances across transnational borders.

Black Morocco University of Chicago Press

The book brings together a group of authors who are addressing the nature and causes of warfare in simpler, tribal societies. The authors represent a range of different opinions about why humans engage in warfare, why wars start, and the role of war in human evolution. Warfare in cultures from several different world areas is considered, ranging over the Amazon, the Caribbean, the Andes, the Southwestern United States, Southeast Asia, Polynesia, and Malaysia. To explain the origins and maintenance of war in tribal societies, different authors appeal to a broad spectrum of demographic, environmental, historical and biological variables. Competing explanatory models of warfare are presented head to head, with overlapping bodies of data offered in support of each.

Fulvio Tomizza ; Translated from the Italian by Russell Scott Valentino Routledge

In the nineteenth and early twentieth century, a controversial school of Russian religious and scientific thinkers emerged, united in the conviction that humanity was entering a new stage of evolution and must assume a new, active, managerial role in the cosmos. The ideas of the Cosmists have in recent decades been rediscovered and embraced by many Russian intellectuals. In the first account in English of this fascinating tradition, George M. Young offers a dynamic and wide-ranging examination of the lives and ideas of the Russian Cosmists.

Independence and Liberation Movements in Africa, 1945-1994 University of Pennsylvania Press

What were the experiences of those in Africa who suffered from the practice of slavery, those who found themselves captured and sold from person to person, those who died on the trails, those who were forced to live in fear? And what of those Africans who profited from the slave trade and slavery? What were their perspectives? How do we access any of these experiences and views? This volume explores diverse sources such as oral testimonies, possession rituals, Arabic language sources, European missionary, administrative and court records and African intellectual writings to discover what they can tell us about slavery and the slave trade in Africa. Also discussed are the methodologies that can be used to uncover the often hidden experiences of Africans embedded in these sources. This book will be invaluable for students and researchers interested in the history of slavery, the slave trade and post-slavery in Africa.

A Study of Southern Italian Tarantism University of Virginia Press

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The Anthropology of War KARTHALA Editions

Wives of the Leopard explores power and culture in a pre-colonial West African state whose army of women and practice of human sacrifice earned it notoriety in the racist imagination of late nineteenth-century Europe and America. Tracing two hundred years of the history of Dahomey up to the French colonial conquest in 1894, the book follows change in two central institutions. One was the monarchy, the coalitions of men and women who seized and wielded power in the name of the king. The second was the palace, a household of several thousand wives of the king who supported and managed state functions. Looking at Dahomey against the backdrop of the Atlantic slave trade and the growth of European imperialism, Edan G. Bay reaches for a distinctly Dahomean perspective as she weaves together evidence drawn from travelers' memoirs and local oral accounts, from the religious practices of vodun, and from ethnographic studies of the twentieth century. Wives of the Leopard thoroughly integrates gender into the political analysis of state systems, effectively creating a social history of power. More broadly, it argues that women as a whole and men of the lower classes were gradually squeezed out of access to power as economic resources contracted with the decline of the slave trade in the nineteenth century. In these and other ways, the book provides an accessible portrait of Dahomey's complex and fascinating culture

without exoticizing it.

Il bagaglio intimo Cambridge University Press

Il volume, risultato di un lungo periodo di ricerche d'archivio e sul campo condotte in Ghana, raccoglie voci e storie femminili lungo un periodo che va dall'ultimo quarto dell'Ottocento ai giorni nostri. Intersecando la dimensione politico-economica con quella storico-sociale e ancora con quella di genere, il libro parte dall'analisi di un fenomeno di migrazione interna, che coinvolge soprattutto le giovani donne, e ritorna agli anni dell'abolizione della schiavitù, per so ermarsi sui primi decenni del Novecento coloniale. L'obiettivo è comprendere alcune delle ragioni della continuità tra la marginalità contemporanea e le forme di sfruttamento passate, di volta in volta evidenziando il persistere di pratiche e strutture di dipendenza e asservimento, in una continua tensione tra forme di agentività personale e di assoggettamento.

How to Think Like an Anthropologist Northwestern University Press

The Religious Heritage Complex examines heritage-making of Christian-related legacies led by secular and clerical institutions. It argues that the relationship between public policies and spiritual practices is not as clear-cut as some might think. In fact, the authors show that religious activity has always combined care for the past with conscious practices of heritage-making, which they term "the religious heritage complex." The book considers the ways patrimony, religion, and identity interact in different Christian contexts worldwide and how religious objects and sites function as identity symbols. It focuses on heritage-making as a religious and material activity for the groups in charge of a sacred inheritance and considers heritage activities as one of the forms of spiritual renewal and transmission. Case studies explore various Christian traditions located in Europe, the Americas, and Africa, investigating the longstanding and tightly-enmeshed connections that weave together religion and cultural heritage. Through comparing ecclesiastical and civil heritage institutions, this book allows us to consider the ambiguity of religious heritage.

The History of the Incas Cambria Press

For the Greeks, the sharing of cooked meats was the fundamental communal act, so that to become vegetarian was a way of refusing society. It follows that the roasting or cooking of meat was a political act, as the division of portions asserted a social order. And the only proper manner of preparing meat for consumption, according to the Greeks, was blood sacrifice. The fundamental myth is that of Prometheus, who introduced sacrifice and, in the process, both joined us to and separated us from the gods—and ambiguous relation that recurs in marriage and in the growing of grain. Thus we can understand why the ascetic man refuses both women and meat, and why Greek women celebrated the festival of grain-giving Demeter with instruments of butchery. The ambiguity coded in the consumption of meat generated a mythology of the "other"—werewolves, Scythians, Ethiopians, and other "monsters." The study of the sacrificial consumption of meat thus leads into exotic territory and to unexpected findings. In *The Cuisine of Sacrifice*, the contributors—all scholars affiliated with the Center for Comparative Studies of Ancient Societies in Paris—apply methods from structural anthropology, comparative religion, and philology to a diversity of topics: the relation of political power to sacrificial practice; the Promethean myth as the foundation story of sacrificial practice; representations of sacrifice found on Greek vases; the technique and anatomy of sacrifice; the interaction of image, language, and ritual; the position of women in sacrificial custom and the female ritual of the Thesmophoria; the mythical status of wolves in Greece and their relation to the sacrifice of domesticated animals; the role and significance of food-related ritual in Homer and Hesiod; ancient Greek perceptions of Scythian sacrificial rites; and remnants of sacrificial ritual in modern Greek practices.

The Russian Cosmists Cambridge University Press

This volume draws on a range of ethnographic and historical material to provide insight into witchcraft in sub-Saharan Africa. The chapters explore a variety of cultural contexts, with contributions focusing on Cameroon, Central African Republic, Ghana, Mali, Ethiopia and Eritrean diaspora. The book considers the concept of witchcraft itself, the interrelations with religion and

medicine, and the theoretical frameworks employed to explain the nature of modern African witchcraft representations.

Beyond the Clash of Civilizations Cambridge University Press

Black Morocco: A History of Slavery, Race, and Islam chronicles the experiences, identity and achievements of enslaved black people in Morocco from the sixteenth century to the beginning of the twentieth century. Chouki El Hamel argues that we cannot rely solely on Islamic ideology as the key to explain social relations and particularly the history of black slavery in the Muslim world, for this viewpoint yields an inaccurate historical record of the people, institutions and social practices of slavery in Northwest Africa. El Hamel focuses on black Moroccans' collective experience beginning with their enslavement to serve as the loyal army of the Sultan Isma'il. By the time the Sultan died in 1727, they had become a political force, making and unmaking rulers well into the nineteenth century. The emphasis on the political history of the black army is augmented by a close examination of the continuity of black Moroccan identity through the musical and cultural practices of the Gnawa.

Metamorfosi di un culto Springer

Anthropological view of the phenomenon of tarantism in Southern Italy ; dance, music and colours combined in a ritual to exorcise the victim of a mythical tarantula.

Legacy, Conservation, and Christianity University of Virginia Press

Historians as well as anthropologists have contributed to this volume of studies on aspects of witchcraft in a variety of cultures and periods from Tudor England to twentieth-century Africa and

New Guinea. Contributors include: Mary Douglas, Norman Cohn, Peter Brown, Keith Thomas, Alan Macfarlane, Alison Redmayne, R.G. Willis, Edwin Ardener, Robert Brain, Julian Pitt-Rivers, Esther Goody, Peter Rivière, Anthony Forge, Godfrey Lienhardt, I.M. Lewis, Brian Spooner, G.I. Jones, Malcolm Ruel and T.O. Beidelman. First published in 1970.

University Rochester Press

Francesco Koslovic—even his name straddles two cultures. And during the spring of 1955, in the village of Materada on the Istrian Peninsula, his two worlds are coming apart. Materada, the first volume of Fulvio Tomizza's celebrated Istrian Trilogy, depicts the Istrian exodus of the hundreds of thousands who had once thrived in a rich ethnic mixture of Italians and Slavs. Complicating Koslovic's own departure is his attempt to keep the land that he and his brother have worked all their lives. A picture of a disappearing way of life, a tale of feud and displacement, and imbued with the tastes, tales, and songs of his native Istria, Koslovic's story is a testament to the intertwined ethnic roots of Balkan history.

The Archidoxes of Magic BEYOND BOOKS HUB

From an award-winning anthropologist, a lively, accessible, and irreverent introduction to the field What is anthropology? What can it tell us about the world? Why, in short, does it matter? For well over a century, cultural anthropologists have circled the globe, from Papua New Guinea to California, uncovering surprising insights about how humans organize their lives and articulate their values. In the process, anthropology has done more than any other discipline to reveal what

culture means and why it matters. By weaving together examples and theories from around the world, Matthew Engelke provides a lively, accessible, and at times irreverent introduction to anthropology, covering a wide range of classic and contemporary approaches, subjects, and anthropologists. Presenting memorable cases, he encourages readers to think deeply about key concepts that anthropologists use to make sense of the world. Along the way, he shows how anthropology helps us understand other cultures and points of view—but also how, in doing so, it reveals something about ourselves and our own cultures, too.

Wives of the Leopard Literary Licensing, LLC

The great importance of mosquitoes lies in their role as transmitters of pathogens and parasites, and in their use as experimental animals well suited to laboratory investigations into aspects of biochemistry, physiology and behaviour. The largest part of this latest volume of *The Biology of Mosquitoes* concerns interactions between mosquitoes and viruses and the transmission of arboviruses to their vertebrate hosts, while the remainder concerns symbiotic interactions between mosquitoes and bacteria. The introduction provides a timely review of the first major development in mosquito taxonomy for several decades. Further chapters describe the interactions between mosquitoes and the viruses that infect them, the transmission and epidemiology of seven very important arboviruses, and the biology of bacteria that are important control agents or of great biological interest. Like the earlier volumes, Volume 3 combines recent information with earlier important findings from field and laboratory to provide the broadest coverage available on the subject.