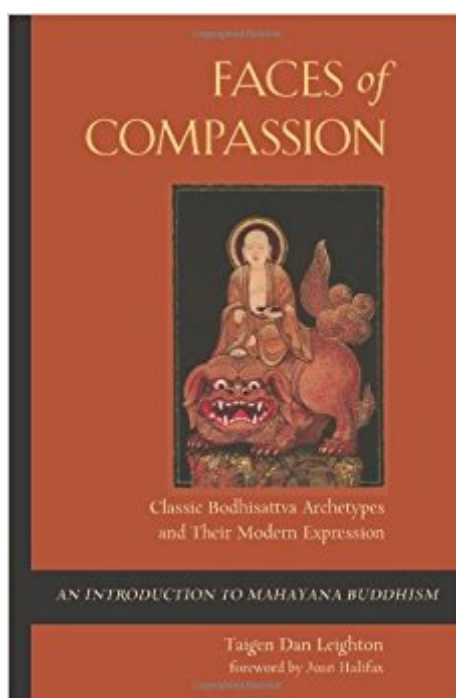


The book was found

Faces Of Compassion: Classic Bodhisattva Archetypes And Their Modern Expression

An Introduction To Mahayana Buddhism



Synopsis

Faces of Compassion introduces us to enlightened beings, the bodhisattvas of Buddhist lore. They're not otherworldly gods with superhuman qualities but shining examples of our own highest potential. Archetypes of wisdom and compassion, the bodhisattvas of Buddhism are powerful and compelling images of awakening. Scholar and Zen teacher Taigen Dan Leighton engagingly explores the imagery and lore of the seven most important of these archetypal figures, bringing them alive as psychological and spiritual wellsprings. Emphasizing the universality of spiritual ideas, Leighton finds aspects of bodhisattvas expressed in a variety of familiar modern personages - from Muhammad Ali to Mahatma Gandhi, from Bob Dylan to Henry Thoreau, and from Gertrude Stein to Mother Teresa. This edition contains a revised and expanded introduction that frames the book as a exciting and broad-scoped view of Mahayana Buddhism. It's updated throughout to make it of more use to scholars and a perfect companion to survey courses of world religions or a 200-level course on Buddhism.

Book Information

Paperback: 352 pages

Publisher: Wisdom Publications; 2 Revised edition (May 1, 2012)

Language: English

ISBN-10: 1614290148

ISBN-13: 978-1614290148

Product Dimensions: 6 x 0.9 x 9 inches

Shipping Weight: 1 pounds (View shipping rates and policies)

Average Customer Review: 5.0 out of 5 stars 2 customer reviews

Best Sellers Rank: #1,119,340 in Books (See Top 100 in Books) #82 in [Books > Politics & Social Sciences > Philosophy > Eastern > Buddhism > Mahayana](#) #302 in [Books > Politics & Social Sciences > Philosophy > Eastern > Buddhism > History](#) #431 in [Books > History > World > Religious > Buddhism](#)

Customer Reviews

"Faces of Compassion captures the poignant truth that that a bodhisattva may appear in the form of a pirate or a spiritual leader and modernizes it, bringing the bodhisattva ideal into the present."

(Tricycle)"In his wonderful book Leighton animates the history of Buddhism and offers insight into human nature and contemporary culture." (Turning Wheel)"What Leighton offers is the living tradition of Mahayana Buddhism: diverse, mysterious, vibrant, real." (Journal of Buddhist

Ethics)"Edifying and imaginative..A modern spiritual classic." (Spirituality and Health)"Faces of Compassion is a wonderful resource and source of guidance and teaching – an invaluable companion to our lives." (Joan Halifax Roshi, Head Teacher, Upaya Institute)"The lay reader will take from the book an appreciation for the complexity of Buddhist doctrine as well as a sense that bodhisattvas may well be living amongst us." (Foreword magazine)"Vigorous and inspiring, Faces of Compassion guides the reader into the awakening life within our contemporary world. An informative, useful, exhilarating work." (Jane Hirshfield, author of Women in Praise of the Sacred)"A clear-as-a-bell introduction to Buddhist thought." (Zoketsu Norman Fischer, Senior Dharma Teacher of San Francisco Zen Center and author of Benedict's Dharma)"Taigen Dan Leighton has lovingly illuminated still another dimension of the human condition." (John Daishin Buksbazen, author of Zen Meditation in Plain English)"This is useful as a fine axe...the perfect antidote to today's spiritual materialism." (Peter Coyote, actor and author of Sleeping Where I Fall)

"To meet the bodhisattvas is to embrace more fully our own humanity, and our ultimate capacity for courage, devotion, compassion, and transcendent wisdom. Taigen Dan Leighton has lovingly illuminated still another dimension of the human condition. This is a tour de force." – John Daishin Buksbazen, author of Zen Meditation in Plain English

Archetypes of wisdom and compassion, the bodhisattvas of Buddhism are powerful and compelling images of awakening. Scholar and Zen teacher Taigen Dan Leighton explores the imagery and lore of the seven most important of these archetypal figures, bringing them alive as psychological and spiritual wellsprings. Emphasizing the universality of spiritual ideals, Leighton finds aspects of the bodhisattvas expressed in a variety of familiar modern personages – from Muhammad Ali to Mahatma Gandhi, from Bob Dylan to Henry Thoreau, and from Gertrude Stein to Mother Teresa. This book also functions as a thorough and engaging introduction to the world of Mahayana Buddhism.

I was introduced to several new, yet widely popular, bodhisattvas. And I learned volumes about those bodhisattvas I thought I already knew -- especially cultural practices associated with each across the broad spectrum of Asian expressions.

Compelling. Well written.

[Download to continue reading...](#)

Faces of Compassion: Classic Bodhisattva Archetypes and Their Modern Expression – An Introduction to Mahayana Buddhism Buddhism: Beginner's Guide to Understanding The Essence of

True Enlightenment (Buddhism, Buddhism Beginners, Buddhist Books, Buddhism Books, Zen Buddhism Book 1) Draw Faces: How to Speed Draw Faces and Portraits in 15 Minutes (Fast Sketching, Drawing Faces, How to Draw Portraits, Drawing Portraits, Portrait Faces, Pencil Portraits, Draw in Pencil) Buddhism: Beginner's Guide to Understanding & Practicing Buddhism to Become Stress and Anxiety Free (Buddhism For Beginners, Buddha, Zen Buddhism, Meditation for Beginners) Buddhism: Beginner's Guide to Understanding & Practicing Buddhism to Become Stress and Anxiety Free (Buddhism, Mindfulness, Meditation, Buddhism For Beginners) Collected Works of C.G. Jung, Volume 9 (Part 1): Archetypes and the Collective Unconscious: Archetypes and the Collective Unconscious: 9.1 Buddhism: Buddhism for Beginners: The Complete Introduction to Buddhism: Meditation Techniques, Acceptance, & Spiritual Practice (Buddhist, Meditation, ... Zen, Inner Peace, Dalai Lama Book 1) Traveling the Path of Compassion: A Commentary on The Thirty-Seven Practices of a Bodhisattva (Densal Semiannual Publication) The Heart Sutra: A Comprehensive Guide to the Classic of Mahayana Buddhism The Awakening of Faith: The Classic Exposition of Mahayana Buddhism Zen Buddhism: How Zen Buddhism Can Create A Life of Peace, Happiness and Inspiration (Zen Buddhism for Beginners, Zen, Zen Books) BUDDHISM: 50 Buddhist Teachings For Happiness, Spiritual Healing, And Enlightenment (Buddhism For Beginners, New Age Meditation, Dalai Lama, Zen Buddhism, Spiritual Guide, Stress Free, Dharma) BUDDHISM: Buddhism For Beginners: How To Go From Beginner To Monk And Master Your Mind (Buddhism For Beginners, Zen Meditation, Mindfulness, Chakras) Mahayana Buddhism: The Doctrinal Foundations (The Library of Religious Beliefs and Practices) Figments and Fragments of Mahayana Buddhism in India: More Collected Papers (Studies in the Buddhist Traditions) Women in Buddhism: Images of the Feminine in the Mahayana Tradition Outlines of Mahayana Buddhism Mahayana Buddhism The Awakening of Faith in the Mahayana Doctrine: The New Buddhism & The Gospel of Buddha She-Rab Dong-Bu or Prajnya Danda & The Awakening of Faith in the Mahayana Doctrine: The New Buddhism

[Contact Us](#)

[DMCA](#)

[Privacy](#)

[FAQ & Help](#)