The Zen of Photography: How to Take Pictures with your Mind's Camera is a collection of 100 sayings that the author has written over a 25 year period. By merging the study of photography and the study of Zen philosophy, one learns to use a camera a way of connecting more fully with the world. Consequently, a camera is not used as a wall between what is seen and what is experienced, but is a tool that serves to unite the photographer with what is experienced through the photographic process. This book teaches that photography is much more than f-stops, shutter speed and aperture settings, film choices, and camera purchases. If photography were merely a technical operation, robots could take great pictures. Learning is about readiness. Because you are a loving, thinking person who found this book, you want to be inspired to elevate your picture taking to a level in which you learn from the moments you observe and teach others to be moved by those moments. This book is ready for you. AUTHOR BIO: Paul Martin Lester is a Professor of Communications at California State University, Fullerton. After an undergraduate degree in journalism from the University of Texas at Austin and employment as a photojournalist for The Times-Picayune in New Orleans, Lester received a Master's from the University of Minnesota and a Ph.D. from Indiana University in mass communications. He is the author or editor of seven books.

Seeing with Your Own Eyes-Helmut Mohelsky 2019
Zen in the Art of Photography-Robert Leverant 1971
Zen Camera-David Ulrich 2018 A beautifully illustrated guide to developing a daily photography practice that draws on mindfulness and Zen Buddhism, featuring accessible lessons on the mechanics of photography, in order to tap into one's unique, innate creativity. Zen Camera is a photography and mindfulness program that guides you to the creativity at your fingertips--literally--requiring nothing more than your smartphone or any other type of camera. Over the course of six lessons gleaned from the author's 40 years of teaching photography, you'll learn how to use the camera in your pocket to explore self-expression as a photographer and produce photographs that are both wildly beautiful and uniquely your own. Gorgeously illustrated with 60-75 full-color photographs, David Ulrich's lessons combine mindfulness principles with concrete exercises and the basic mechanics of taking a good photograph. He guides you through a program of taking photos every day (called your Daily Record), similar to a journaling practice. He also offers profound insight into the nature of seeing, art, and attention, pushing you to live more authentically.
"The Zen Of Architecture Photography"-Bob Rewick 2020-06-28 This is a book in which I describe about how to photograph architecture subjects that have a zen-like appeal, based on their creative use of lines, shapes patterns, and forms. Many architecture subjects possess a plethora of diverging, converging and juxtaposing design features, not always recognizable or used by the average photographer. In this book I discuss the the emotional and subliminal meanings of lines, shapes, pattern and forms, and help to show through my photographs, how they can enhance the photographic appeal of your architecture, and other subjects, as well.
Photography Zen-Roditch Roditch 2019-04-03
A Tape on Zen Photography- 1974
Zen of Photography-Brian Ross 2019-01-18 Zen of Photography Introducing Light presents the fundamentals of creative photography as an unfoldment, a revelation. Each section considers a unique facet of the creative photographic process and gives you an opportunity to develop your own unique photography expression. Offering a blend of poetry, philosophy, and technique, Ross shares how the art of photography is created by the refinement of the photographer's eye. The photographer's eye processes and contemplates a variety of creative lenses of mind, focusing on subtle details in microseconds, being in the zone, and having a single-mindedness meditation. He shows how each element of the creative photographic process must be considered to enlighten and refine your photographic sensibilities: the artist, the camera, the light, the time, the place, the dynamics of visual grammar and composition, the photograph as a visual communication, and the viewers' experience of the image. Presenting an inspiring, informative, and beautiful collection of thoughts, images, and techniques of photography, integrating poetry, Zen philosophy, insights, and instruction, Zen of Photography Introducing Light inspires you to refine your photographer's eye and develop your creative photography process to create great images.

Photography & Zen-Stephen Bray 2014-04-12 Photography and Zen is a book about you, the photographer. It's also about awareness and the filters we place upon ourselves. Whilst some might suggest it's about learning to see in a new way, really it's about learning to see with the innocence of childhood. Professor Michael Eldridge, former Head of Post Graduate Studies in Photography at 'The Arts University' states in the Foreword:"Stephen Bray writes here a travelogue about his voyage and search for meaning and inspiration. He also explores the relationship between photography and awareness within the context for formal Buddhist philosophy, for the benefit of those wishing to understand how these may be linked. Then, in Part Two, he shares his own experience and sets out some exercises for you to explore. "He gets lost, gets confounded in dead ends, is led and misled by people he comes across (it seems always by chance or perhaps by destiny) but they don't disappoint him as he knows he is learning from them; always open to new experience and always learning. There is one constant, his camera. It is not just one cherished item. It is a generic camera, an extension of his mind which somehow projects itself through his eye and then through the lens out into the so called world of reality."The author of the highly regarded book 'Photography and Psychoanalysis' suggests that Zen is the simple realization that self and other are opposite sides of the state of 'being', and as a result photography is to be practiced as a compassionate activity. In 'Photography and Zen' Stephen Bray explores the relationship between photography and Zen Buddhism pointing to links and inconsistencies. In doing so he constructively demythologises both Zen and Contemplative Photography. The book is split into two parts. In Part One the author discusses the development of photography and its relationship to present centered awareness, and therefore Zen and Buddhism. If you've read other books of Contemplative Photography but are confused about its background this book will help you understand what it's all about. Part Two is concerned with a young man's self-exploration and inquiry through the medium of photography. There are also exercises to help you to retrace his steps. If you're an experienced photographer yet somewhat dissatisfied with images you're making, or a complete novice seeking to understand how to make images for the first time this book is a great non-technical guide. But if you're simply looking for techniques of image manipulation then this work isn't for you. Although written for photographers anyone with a camera will gain insight into their true nature, by following the path suggested in part two of this book. Buy 'Photography and Zen: Discovering Your True Nature Through Photography' today and begin your own journey into self-awareness.

Zen and Photography-Eric Weston 2012
A Hidden Wholeness-Bonnie B. Thurston 2004
Conversations in the Spirit-Lex Hixon 2016-10-10 Armed with a generous heart, subtle mind, and a PhD in comparative religion from Columbia, Lex Hixon, as host for WBAs In the Spirit, was able to interview and skillfully probe the leading spiritual lights of the seventies and beyond. Twenty-five
of those interviews, finely edited, appear here for the first time in print. Includes short bios and photos. Interviewees include Ram Dass, Alan Watts, Daniel Berrigan, Swami Muktananda, Kalu Rinpoche, and Stephen Gaskin. Lex Hixon was an accomplished spiritual practitioner, scholar, and author who explored the great religious traditions extensively. He published nine books and spent seventeen years hosting the radio program In the Spirit.

Photography as Meditation-Torsten Andreas Hoffmann 2014-10-24 For many people, photography serves as a form of meditation; a way to separate themselves from their stressful lives. In this book, Torsten Andreas Hoffmann explores an approach to artistic photography based on Japanese Zen-Philosophy. Meditation and photography have much in common: both are based in the present moment, both require complete focus, and both are most successful when the mind is free from distracting thoughts. Hoffman shows how meditation can lead to the source of inspiration. Hoffman's impressive images of landscapes, cities, people, and nature, as well as his smart image analysis and suggestions about the artistic process, will help you understand this approach to photography without abandoning the principles of design necessary to achieve great images. Photographing busy scenes, especially, requires an inner calm that enables you to have intuition for the right moment and compose a well-balanced image amidst the chaos. The goal of this book is to develop your photographic expression. It provides enrichment for photographers who believe that only technical mastery produces great images and shows how important it is to act creatively.

A Hidden Wholeness: the Zen Photography of Thomas Merton-Judy Cato 2005

Zen Photography and My Dialogue-Stone Peng, 1st 2019-01-06 Through photos I try to express a message of peace, calm, and beautiful scenery surrounding us in our living environment. I also describe how I create my photos and the feelings I have during that moment, each photo will include all information captions along with my own dialogue. Every landscape has its own life and meaning, depending on the viewer's mood. I try to catch that emotional feeling at specific moments in landscapes, using the Chinese philosophy of life and the aesthetic principles "less is more" and "empty is full" in creating my images. Using primarily white tones in the background lends a simplicity and ethereal purity to a subject that gives you a calm, peaceful, infinitely deep and immeasurable feeling. The empty space offers the viewer a peaceful feeling and a chance to focus on what it really takes to find balance in life and capture a little piece of it for our self. From my photos, I also want people rethinking "being alone" is not bad. It shows that it is beautiful to just be yourself and have confidence inside. "Tranquility, simplicity, and beauty are the essence of my photos."

Teaching Ritual-Catherine Bell 2007-05-11 Many teachers share an interest in bringing a better appreciation of ritual into their religious studies classes, but are uncertain how to do it. Religious studies faculty know how to teach texts, but they often have difficulty teaching something for which the meaning lies in the doing. How do you teach such "doing"? How much need be done? How does the teacher talk about the religiosity that exists in personalized relationships, not textual descriptions or prescriptions? These practical issues also give rise to theoretical questions. Giving more attention to ritual effectively suggests a reinterpretation of religion itself—an understanding less focused on what people have thought and written, and more focused on how they engage their universe. Many useful analyses of ritual derive from anthropological and sociological premises, which may be foreign to religious studies faculty and even seen by some as theologically problematic. This is the first resource to address the issues specific to teaching this subject. A stellar cast of contributors, all scholars of ritual and teachers experienced in using ritual in a wide variety of courses and settings, explain what has worked for them in the classroom, what has not, and what they have learned from the experience of being more real about religion. Their voices range from personal to formal, their topics from ways to use field trips to the role of architecture. The result is a rich guide for teachers who are new to the subject as well as the experienced willing to think about new angles and fresh approaches.

The Complete Digital Photography Primer (COLOR)-Thomas Harrop

Zen and the Brain-James H. Austin 1999-06-04 A neuroscientist and Zen practitioner interweaves the latest research on the brain with his personal
narrative of Zen. Aldous Huxley called humankind's basic trend toward spiritual growth the "perennial philosophy." In the view of James Austin, the trend implies a "perennial psychophysiology"—because awakening, or enlightenment, occurs only when the human brain undergoes substantial changes. What are the peak experiences of enlightenment? How could these states profoundly enhance, and yet simplify, the workings of the brain? Zen and the Brain presents the latest evidence. In this book Zen Buddhism becomes the opening wedge for an extraordinarily wide-ranging exploration of consciousness. In order to understand which brain mechanisms produce Zen states, one needs some understanding of the anatomy, physiology, and chemistry of the brain. Austin, both a neurologist and a Zen practitioner, interweaves the most recent brain research with the personal narrative of his Zen experiences. The science is both inclusive and rigorous; the Zen sections are clear and evocative. Along the way, Austin examines such topics as similar states in other disciplines and religions, sleep and dreams, mental illness, consciousness-altering drugs, and the social consequences of the advanced stage of ongoing enlightenment.

Thomas Merton--Evil and Why We Suffer-David E. Orberson 2018-06-18 Thomas Merton is one of the most important spiritual voices of the last century. He has never been more relevant as new generations look to him for guidance in addressing some of life's biggest questions: how can we find God, how should we engage with other faiths, and how can we oppose violence and injustice? Looking carefully, one can find, tucked away in Merton's prodigious writings, his response to another timeless question: Why do we suffer? Why does an all-powerful and all loving God permit evil and suffering? By carefully examining all of Merton's work, we find that he repeatedly confronted this question throughout most of his adult life. Intriguingly, Merton's approach to this question changed dramatically a few years before he died in 1968. An examination of all aspects of his life yields evidence that Merton's immersion in Zen during this time contributed most to that change.

Rite Out of Place-Director of Ritual Studies International and Professor Emeritus of Religion and Culture Ronald L Grimes 2006 Publisher Description

Making Love with Light-John Daido Loori 2007-01 This book of exquisite photographs arises from the premise that unless we love nature, we will not work to save it from exploitation and eventual destruction. The rich mixture of photographs, Zen poems and essays presented on these pages is intended to open our hearts to the wild and the wilderness, and to direct us to the ways in which we can heal the earth. The author is an award-winning photographer and videographer and his art and wildlife photography from the core of a unique teaching programme that integrates art and wilderness training and cultivates an experiential appreciation of the relationship of Zen spirituality to our natural environment.

Zen-Steeped-Deborah Kunzie 2015-08-09 "I am an older woman raised in the Independent Fundamentalist Baptist faith under the guidance of a very righteous man of God, my father, and in the indigenous ways of the Creek people under the guidance of traditional far-seeing women, my mother and my maternal grandmother. Despite this structured and wonderful upbringing I made many wrong-headed choices and took plenty of dangerous turns in my life. I have been a law enforcer, a horticulturist, a software developer, a website designer, a high-end fashion photographer and a wildlife photographer. I have owned successful companies such as the eighth largest landscaping business in the State of Florida, a technology company, a book publishing company more recently, I discovered I knew how to play the Native American flute. I am the least likely candidate in the entire world to be the student of a Zen Master Monk."

Zen Masters-Steven Heine 2010-04-22 Extending their successful series of collections on Zen Buddhism, Heine and Wright present a fifth volume, on what may be the most important topic of all - Zen Masters. Following two volumes on Zen literature (Zen Classics and The Zen Canon) and two volumes on Zen practice (The Koan and Zen Ritual) they now propose a volume on the most significant product of the Zen tradition - the Zen masters who have made this kind of Buddhism the most renowned in the world by emphasizing the role of eminent spiritual leaders and their function in
establishing centers, forging lineages, and creating literature and art. Zen masters in China, and later in Korea and Japan, were among the cultural leaders of their times. Stories about their comportment and powers circulated widely throughout East Asia. In this volume ten leading Zen scholars focus on the image of the Zen master as it has been projected over the last millennium by the classic literature of this tradition. Each chapter looks at a single prominent master. Authors assess the master's personality and charisma, his reported behavior and comportment, his relationships with teachers, rivals and disciplines, lines of transmission, primary teachings, the practices he emphasized, sayings and catch-phrases associated with him, his historical and social context, representations and icons, and enduring influences.

Baseball, Photography and Zen-John Lang 1997
Zen Master Who?-James Ishmael Ford 2006-10-20 Zen Master Who? is the first-ever book to provide a history of Zen's arrival in North America, surveying the shifts and challenges to Zen as it finds its Western home. With the exception of parts of Rick Field's How the Swans Came to the Lake, there has been no previous attempt to write this chronicle. James Ishmael Ford begins by tracing Zen's history in Asia, looking at some of Zen's most seminal figures--the Sixth Ancestor Huineng, Dogen Zenji (the founder of the Soto Zen school), Hakuin Ekaku (the great reformer of the Rinzai koan way), and many others--and then outlines the state of Zen in North America today. Clear-eyed and even-handed, Ford shows us the history and development of the institution of Zen--both its beauty and its warts. Ford also outlines the many subtle differences in teachings, training, ordination, and transmission among schools and lineages. This book will aid those looking for a Zen center or a teacher, but who may not know where to start. Suggesting what might be possible, skillful, and fruitful in our communities, it will also be of use to those who lead the Zen centers of today and tomorrow.


Image, Text, Architecture-Robin Wilson 2016-03-09 Image, Text, Architecture brings a radical and detailed analysis of the modern and contemporary architectural media, addressing issues of architectural criticism, architectural photography and the role of journal editors. It covers examples as diverse as an article by British artist Paul Nash in The Architectural Review, 1940, an early project by French architects Lacaton & Vassal published in the journal 2G, 2001, and recent photography by Hisao Suzuki for the Spanish journal El Croquis. At the intersection of image and text the book also reveals the role of the utopian impulse within the architectural media, drawing on theories of utopian discourse from the work of the French semiotician and art theorist Louis Marin, and the American Marxist critic Fredric Jameson. Through this it builds a fresh theoretical approach to journal studies, revealing a hitherto unexplored dimension of "latent" or "unconscious" discourse within the media portrait of architecture. The purpose of this enquiry is to highlight moments where a different type of critical voice emerges on the architectural journal page, indicating the possibility of a more progressive engagement with the media as a platform for critical and speculative thinking about architecture, and to rethink the journals' role within architectural history.

The Zen of Small Things-Stephanie Russell 2006-03-05 Human beings are natural seekers. We want answers and meaning, and we expect to find both in 'big' things. Big possessions, big organizations, big beliefs. Inevitably, we find that big, external things become a heavy weight on the soul, driving us further from a truth that can only come from within. In THE ZEN OF SMALL THINGS, Spiritual teacher Stephanie JT Russell elegantly explores Zen practice in the context of everyday life. She suggests that being and understanding are readily available through the small, humble things that surround us. 'This little book is an invitation to look closer', Russell writes in the introduction. 'To quiet down and find yourself reflected in the details
of what is there, all around you. To savour one simple thing that might touch your day with grace, calm, and joy.‘ Lavish photography by the author is thoughtfully paired with her words in this graceful and beautiful keepsake. Spiritual seekers and lovers of beauty and wisdom will cherish this book.

Zen Dogs-Alexandra Cearns 2016-10-25 Award-winning animal photographer Alex Cearns celebrates the peace, calm, and joy dogs bring to our lives with this unique full-color collection capturing eighty dogs in their most relaxed and contented moments. When Alex Cearns caught Suzi the Sharpei on film with eyes closed and an endearing smile on her furry face, the renowned Australian professional pet and wildlife photographer called the picture of serenity “Zen Dog.” Captivated by the image’s tranquil beauty, Cearns then turned her lens on other canines experiencing their own carefree and meditative “Zen” moments—a series of photos that would go viral across the web and take the top prize in a major international competition. Expanding on Cearns’s original web series, Zen Dogs includes eighty stunning color photographs of a variety of breeds—golden retrievers, beagles, French bulldogs, dachshunds, poodles, huskies, pit bulls, and German shepherds. Here are some familiar faces from the online series, joined by dozens of dogs never seen before—all whose engaging personalities shine through. Sprinkled throughout the photos are words of wisdom from the Buddha, Eckhart Tolle, Thich Nhat Hanh, and other meditative masters, inspiring messages that, with the photos, warm the heart and soothe the spirit. A gorgeous compendium for every dog lover, animal enthusiast, and everyone looking to add some peace and joy to their day. Zen Dogs reminds us of the power dogs have to enrich our lives—to make us happier, healthier, calmer, and more loving.

Teaching Buddhism in the West-Victor Sōgen Hori 2002 This book provides a series of thematically arranged articles written by contemporary scholars of Buddhism throughout North America.

Camera & Craft: Learning the Technical Art of Digital Photography-Andy Batt 2014-09-19 #2 on Photo.net's list of Best Photography Books of 2014! To create successful imagery, you need to balance technical know-how and aesthetic vision. In Camera & Craft, we deconstruct photographic principles in new ways to help you think through your process. Together with nine guest photographers, we explore photographic practice and follow up with inventive exercises and demonstrations that challenge you to engage with your tools—all with the goal of helping you work more creatively. Along the way are conversations with our guest photographers that address each topic, from how the professionals work with clients and models to what they think about as they look through the viewfinder. Here’s what you’ll find inside: Advice and insights from professionals working in a variety of fields, from photojournalism and portraiture to fine-art, landscape and commercial photography Technical explanations about how photographic tools work—so you can connect knowledge to your practice and work more instinctively and creatively Key steps for improving digital workflow Innovative exercises at the end of each chapter as well as on our companion website that encourage you to experiment with and understand the photographic process—from learning how far you can push your camera’s sensor to exploring the effects of neutral vs. creative color Interviews with technical and creative experts about developing skills and making images that matter This book is part of The Digital Imaging Masters Series, which features cutting-edge information from the most sought-after and qualified professionals and instructors in the photography field. Based on the progressive curriculum of the Master of Professional Studies in Digital Photography (MPS DP) program created by Katrin Eismann at the School of Visual Arts (SVA) in New York City, these books are the next best thing to being in the classroom with the Digital Photography Masters themselves.

Zen of Postproduction-Mark Fitzgerald 2013-11-04 Provides timesaving solutions for the postproduction process, offering information on downloading, sorting, tagging, editing and distributing digital images, with emphasis on Adobe Photoshop Lightroom and Adobe Photoshop.

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