Recent Transpersonal Texts

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Warwick Fox, Towards a Transpersonal Ecology, Green Books, 1995 (see review on page 63): combining ecological issues with transpersonal psychology, Fox discusses the best hopes for protecting and safeguarding the planet.

Robert Frager and James Fadiman, Personality and Personal Growth, 2nd edn (3rd edn forthcoming), Harper Collins, 1984: probably the best transpersonally-orientated examination of personality theories from east and west.

Stan Grof, The Adventure of Self-Discovery, State University of New York Press, 1988: Stanislav Grof, one of the leading pioneers of transpersonal techniques within psychiatry, provides a far-reaching account and explanation of transpersonal experiences.

Christiana Grof and Stan Grof, *The Stormy Search for the Self*, Tarcher, 1990: one of the best books available on transpersonal therapies.

Charles Laughlin, John McManus and Eugene d'Aquili, Brain, Symbol and Experience, Columbia University Press, 1992: the relationship between cross-cultural studies, neuroscience and the contemplative traditions, written from a transpersonal perspective by three leading anthropologists.

Michael Murphy and Stephen Donovan, The Physical and Psychological Effects of Meditation, Esalen Institute, 1989: reviews over one thousand studies of the effects of meditation on the body and the mind.

John Rowan, *The Transpersonal: Psychotherapy and Counselling*, Routledge, 1993: a comprehensive and perceptive examination of transpersonal counselling by one of the authorities in the area.

Huston Smith, Beyond the Post-modern Mind, Quest, 1989: writing as a philosopher, Smith argues that transpersonal perspectives are the best way of resolving the current impasse in post-modern thinking.

Richard Tarnas, The Passion of the Western Mind, Harmony Books, 1991: sympathetically inclined towards transpersonal themes, this book is regarded by many authorities as the best single-volume history of western thought.

Charles Tart (ed), Transpersonal Psychologies, 3rd edn, Harper Collins, 1992: an examination of the relationship between transpersonal psychologies and the spiritual traditions, by one of the leading experts in the field.

Frances Vaughan, The Inward Arc: Healing and Wholeness in Psychotherapy and Spirituality, New Science Library, 1986: a thorough and sensitive overview of certain aspects of transpersonal development.

Roger Walsh and Frances Vaughan (eds), Paths Beyond Ego: The Transpersonal Vision, Tarcher, 1993: an excellent anthology of writings by many of the major authorities working with transpersonal ideas.

John Welwood, Journey of the Heart, Harper Collins, 1990: an exploration of transpersonal issues within the context of human relationships.

Michael West (ed), The Psychology of Meditation, Cambridge University Press, 1989: extensive review of the research literature on meditation edited by one of the experts

who has done most to bring meditation within the scope of psychological orthodoxy.

Ken Wilber, *Up From Eden*, Doubleday, 1981: Wilber is one of the most influential writers within transpersonal psychology, and this is perhaps his most seminal work.

David Wulff, Psychology of Religion: Classic and Contemporary Views, Wiley, 1991: comprehensive, scholarly and readable—one of the best current attempts at mastering the enormous literature involved, and its transpersonal implications.

