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**The Essence of Shinto**  
Stone Bridge Press, Inc.  
Shinto - A Short History  
provides an introductory  
outline of the historical  
development of Shinto  
from the ancient period of  
Japanese history until the  
present day. Shinto does

not offer a readily  
identifiable set of  
teachings, rituals or  
beliefs; individual shrines  
and kami deities have led  
their own lives, not within  
the confines of a narrowly  
defined Shinto, but rather  
as participants in a  
religious field that  
included Buddhist, Taoist,  
Confucian and folk  
elements. Thus, this book  
approaches Shinto as a

series of historical  
'religious systems' rather  
than attempting to  
identify a timeless 'Shinto  
essence'. This history  
focuses on three aspects  
of Shinto practice: the  
people involved in shrine  
worship, the institutional  
networks that ensured  
continuity, and teachings  
and rituals. By following  
the interplay between  
these aspects in different

periods, a pattern of continuity and discontinuity is revealed that challenges received understandings of the history of Shinto. This book does not presuppose prior knowledge of Japanese religion, and is easily accessible for those new to the subject.

*From Country to Nation*

Princeton University Press

This expanded second edition of Historical Dictionary of Shinto relates the history of Shinto through a chronology, an introductory essay, an

extensive bibliography, and over 800 cross-referenced dictionary entries on Shinto concepts, significant figures, places, activities, and periods.

*Tactics Volume 1* Stone Bridge Press, Inc.

This volume contains the only available English translation of the prayers of Japan's indigenous religious tradition, Shinto. These prayers, norito, are works of religious literature that are basic to our understanding of Japanese religious history. Composed in the stately

ritual language of the ancient Japanese and presented as a "performing text." In the preface Kitagawa elucidates their significance, discusses Philippi's methods of encountering the "strangeness" of Japan, and comments astutely on aspects of the encounter of East and West. Includes an introduction and notes on individual norito.

**On Understanding Japanese Religion**

Routledge

How far would you go to

get what you most desire? For Guren Ichinose, a fifteen-year-old magic user born into a lowly clan, that journey begins when he is forced to enroll at an academy run by his order's mortal enemies. There, while endlessly tormented by his insufferably privileged classmates, Guren must hide his true strength and weave his way through intrigue and deceit amid the rising winds of war. This all-new manga adaptation of the standalone light novel prequels to the hit manga

Seraph of the End follows Guren as he takes his first steps toward inevitable calamity—the apocalypse that ushered in the reign of vampires. It is a tale of catastrophe, of star-crossed love, lies, and the search for an escape from destiny. How far will Guren go, and what—or whom—must he sacrifice for his ambitions?

### **Crossing and Dwelling**

Scarecrow Press

Kantaro Ichinomiya is a studious young boy who fancies folklore, so it's no small wonder that his eye for the fantastical leads

him into a career among the world's ogres, goblins and boogeymen, all of whom he can help to live in harmony. Moonlighting as the ambassador to the goblin population, Kantaro - flanked by his own ghoulish sidekick - roams the streets of Taisho-era Japan, hoping to solve instances of goblin abuse and inter-species confrontations. But creating peace between rivaling humans and beasts could open the door to something much more mystical and much less welcome...

*Shinto Meditations for  
Revering the Earth*

Princeton University Press  
Written in the early eighth century, the Kojiki is considered Japan's first literary and historical work. A compilation of myths, legends, songs, and genealogies, it recounts the birth of Japan's islands, reflecting the origins of Japanese civilization and future Shinto practice. The Kojiki provides insight into the lifestyle, religious beliefs, politics, and history of early Japan, and for centuries has shaped the

nation's view of its past. This innovative rendition conveys the rich appeal of the Kojiki to a general readership by translating the names of characters to clarify their contribution to the narrative while also translating place names to give a vivid sense of the landscape the characters inhabit, as well as an understanding of where such places are today. Gustav Heldt's expert organization reflects the text's original sentence structure and repetitive

rhythms, enhancing the reader's appreciation for its sophisticated style of storytelling.

*The Kojiki* M.E. Sharpe  
Nine out of ten Japanese claim some affiliation with Shinto, but in the West the religion remains the least studied of the major Asian spiritual traditions. It is so interlaced with Japanese cultural values and practices that scholarly studies usually focus on only one of its dimensions: Shinto as a "nature religion," an "imperial state religion," a "primal religion," or a "folk

amalgam of practices and beliefs." Thomas Kasulis' fresh approach to Shinto explains with clarity and economy how these different aspects interrelate. As a philosopher of religion, he first analyzes the experiential aspect of Shinto spirituality underlying its various ideas and practices. Second, as a historian of Japanese thought, he sketches several major developments in Shinto doctrines and institutions from prehistory to the present, showing how its

interactions with Buddhism, Confucianism, and nationalism influenced its expression in different times and contexts. In Shinto's idiosyncratic history, Kasulis finds the explicit interplay between two forms of spirituality: the "existential" and the "essentialist." Although the dynamic between the two is particularly striking and accessible in the study of Shinto, he concludes that a similar dynamic may be found in the history of other religions as well. Two

decades ago, Kasulis' Zen Action/Zen Person brought an innovative understanding to the ideas and practices of Zen Buddhism, an understanding influential in the ensuing decades of philosophical Zen studies. Shinto: The Way Home promises to do the same for future Shinto studies. Norito Princeton University Press This volume presents the only English translation of the prayers of Japan's indigenous religious tradition, Shinto. These prayers, norito, are works

of religious literature that are basic to our understanding of Japanese religious history. Locating Donald Philippi as one of a small number of scholars who have developed a perceptive approach to the problem of "hermeneutical distance" in dealing with ancient or foreign texts, Joseph M. Kitagawa recalls Mircea Eliade's observation that "most of the time [our] encounters and comparisons with non-Western cultures have not made all the 'strangeness' of these

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"strangeness" of Japan, and comments astutely on aspects of the encounter of East and West. *Shinto* Trafford Publishing Sure to be a classic, Donald Richie's concise, profound insights into the mysteries of Japanese *Shinto Norito* Cambridge University Press "Lords of the Sea revises our understanding of the epochal political, economic, and cultural transformations of Japan's late medieval period (1300-1600) by shifting the conventional land-



based analytical framework to one centered on the perspectives of seafarers usually dismissed as 'pirates'--Provided by publisher.

*Mango Delight* Princeton University Press  
Traditionally, university students have gained access to world religions by reading primary texts. *Discovering World Religions at 24 Frames Per Second* takes students beyond the written page, offering an exploration of the same religious traditions through the

study of feature films. The many definitions of religion are examined along with its various components, including doctrine, myth, ethics, ritual, and symbol. Specific religious traditions, including Hinduism, Sikhism, Zoroastrianism, Buddhism, Confucianism, Daoism, popular religion, and Shinto are examined. Biographical sketches of directors whose films tend to focus on a particular religious tradition are also included, such as Zhang Yimou, Hayao Miyazaki,

Deepa Mehta, and Akira Kurosawa. *Discovering World Religions at 24 Frames Per Second* is unique in the area of religion and film studies in that it isn't just a collection of essays. Instead it provides the introductory student with the necessary background information on the various religions before looking at how their ideas can be understood not through texts but through the cinematic medium. To keep the conversation fresh, most of the films used in the book were

made within the last decade. Furthermore, examples range from popular, mainstream fare, such as Star Wars and the Lord of the Rings trilogy to lesser-known foreign films, such as The Wooden Man's Bride and The Great Yokai War. Several films with a 'cult-like' following are also discussed, including Fight Club, Princess Mononoke, Spirited Away, and Jacob's Ladder. This book is also unique in that instead of drawing upon the Judeo-Christian tradition, it draws from Eastern

traditions.

### **Songs of Gods, Songs of Humans** Tuttle

Publishing

From Country to Nation tracks the emergence of the modern Japanese nation in the nineteenth century through the history of some of its local aspirants. It explores how kokugaku (Japan studies) scholars envisioned their place within Japan and the globe, while living in a castle town and domain far north of the political capital. Gideon Fujiwara follows the story of Hirao Rosen and fellow scholars

in the northeastern domain of Tsugaru. On discovering a newly "opened" Japan facing the dominant Western powers and a defeated Qing China, Rosen and other Tsugaru intellectuals embraced kokugaku to secure a place for their local "country" within the broader nation and to reorient their native Tsugaru within the spiritual landscape of an Imperial Japan protected by the gods. Although Rosen and his fellows celebrated the rise of Imperial Japan, their

resistance to the Western influence and modernity embraced by the Meiji state ultimately resulted in their own disorientation and estrangement. By analyzing their writings—treatises, travelogues, letters, poetry, liturgies, and diaries—alongside their artwork, Fujiwara reveals how this socially diverse group of scholars experienced the Meiji Restoration from the peripheries. Using compelling firsthand accounts, Fujiwara tells the story of the rise of

modern Japan, from the perspective of local intellectuals who envisioned their local "country" within a nation that emerged as an empire of the modern world.

*Religions of Japan in Practice* Union Square & Co.

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encounter of East and West.

**Norito** Vertical Inc  
Covering the period from before the emergence of the first political units through to the formation of the Japanese ritsuryo state in the 8th century, this book offers a groundbreaking scholarly diachronic analysis of tsumi (offence and retribution) from a politico-historical perspective. Taking as its starting point the native forms of tsumi in the realms of myth and prayer, the study traces

their development through the periods of the formation of the state and the centralization of the governing structure, to the introduction of a written-law system of governing. Through detailed and logical analysis this study illuminates early Japanese political thought, written and unwritten law and the essentially political notion of tsumi.

**Shinto Norito** Princeton University Press  
In *The Essence of Shinto*, revered Shinto master Motohisa Yamakage

explains the core values of Shinto and explores both basic tenets and its more esoteric points in terms readily accessible to the modern Western reader. He shows how the long history of Shintoism is deeply woven into the fabric of Japanese spirituality and mythology--indeed, it is regarded as Japan's very spiritual roots--and discusses its role in modern Japan and the world. He also carefully analyzes the relationship of the spirit and the soul, which will provide

informed and invaluable insight into how spirituality affects our daily existence. Through the author's emphasis on the universality of Shinto and its prevalence in the natural world, the book will appeal to all readers with an appreciation of humanity's place in nature and the individual's role in the larger society. *The Kojiki* Kitty Media The Cambridge History of Japanese Literature provides, for the first time, a history of Japanese literature with

comprehensive coverage of the premodern and modern eras in a single volume. The book is arranged topically in a series of short, accessible chapters for easy access and reference, giving insight into both canonical texts and many lesser known, popular genres, from centuries-old folk literature to the detective fiction of modern times. The various period introductions provide an overview of recurrent issues that span many decades, if not centuries. The book also places

Japanese literature in a wider East Asian tradition of Sinitic writing and provides comprehensive coverage of women's literature as well as new popular literary forms, including manga (comic books). An extensive bibliography of works in English enables readers to continue to explore this rich tradition through translations and secondary reading.

**Tsumi - Offence and Retribution in Early Japan** McFarland

For more than forty-five years this study guide has

introduced readers to the origins and teachings of major non-Christian faiths. In this fourth edition the contents of the book have been entirely revised, with many of the chapters completely rewritten.

**The Right to Life in**

**Japan** University of Hawaii Press

The Right to Life in Japan is a study that brings new perspectives to bear on an extremely important topic for all those facing the moral dilemmas of such issues as abortion and the death penalty. It also helps to fill a gap in

life, in social science and law studies of contemporary Japan. Noel Williams approaches the right to life in Japan from a legal viewpoint via a broad range of issues such as abortion, suicide, capital punishment and death from overwork. Following a discussion of law and rights in Japan from an historical perspective, the author examines the question of what life is in contemporary Japan and focuses on problematic areas which have arisen in life issues, including

infringements of the right to life within the modern company organization, and by the state, as well as the question of the equality of the right to life.

Lords of the Sea William B. Eerdmans Publishing Company  
Complementing Buddhism, Shinto is Japan's 2,000-year-old worship tradition that celebrates the relationship of humans to the natural world. This modern-day collection of Shinto-inspired devotions shows the reader how to

commune directly with Great Nature for health, wisdom, and serenity. Structured litanies address mountains, waterfalls, rocks, trees, etc. Includes instructions for performing authentic "waterfall purification" and a section on experiencing Shinto in North America.  
*Yokai's Hunger* Oxford University Press  
Joseph Kitagawa, one of the founders of the field of history of religions and an eminent scholar of the religions of Japan, published his classic book

Religion in Japanese History in 1966. Since then, he has written a number of extremely influential essays that illustrate approaches to the study of Japanese religious phenomena. To date, these essays have remained scattered in various scholarly journals. This book makes available nineteen of these articles, important contributions to our understanding of Japan's intricate combination of indigenous Shinto, Confucianism, Taoism, the Yin-Yang School, Buddhism, and

folk religion. In sections on prehistory, the historic development of Japanese religion, the Shinto tradition, the Buddhist tradition, and the modern phase of the Japanese religious tradition, the author develops a number of valuable

methodological approaches. The volume also includes an appendix on Buddhism in America. Asserting that the study of Japanese religion is more than an umbrella term covering investigations of separate traditions, Professor

Kitagawa approaches the subject from an interdisciplinary standpoint. Skillfully combining political, cultural, and social history, he depicts a Japan that seems a microcosm of the religious experience of humankind.