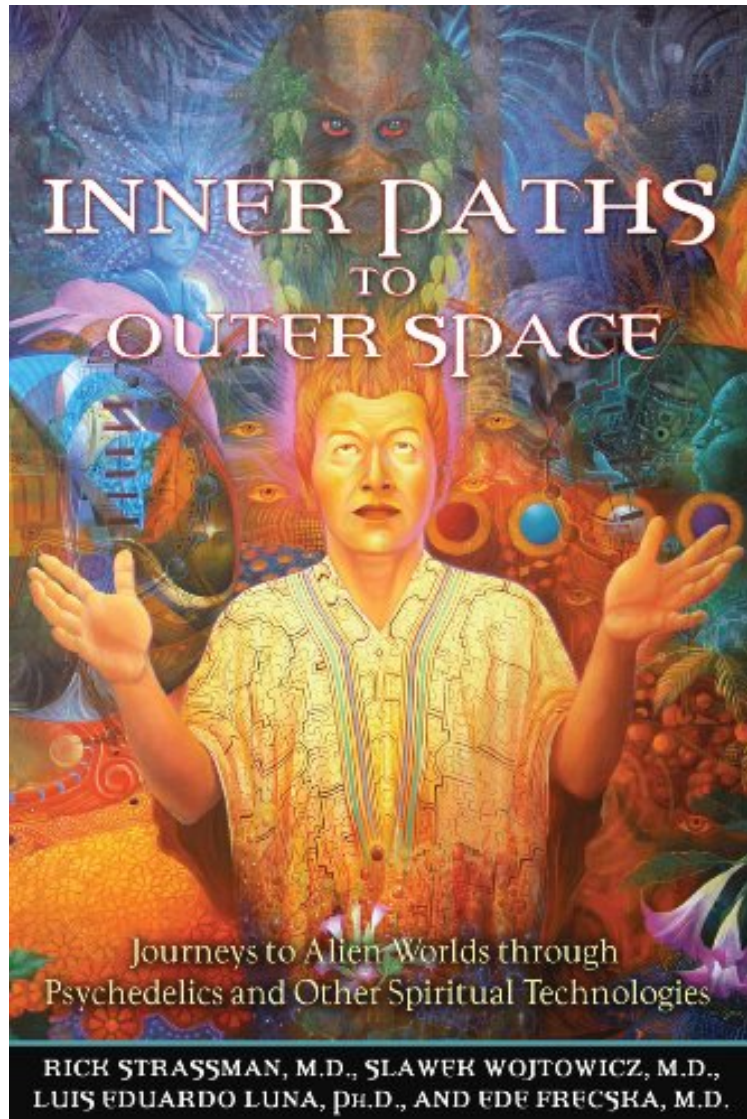


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I realize that some folks, including a couple of reviewers here who awarded just a single star, might be disappointed in this book after finding a lot of material they had already read before, or at least were familiar with. However, I am going to go ahead and award this four stars because anyone who is confronting this kind of information for the first time should find this a 5-star read. It's important to point out that Dr. Rick Strassman is not the only or even the primary author of this book. Also included are Slawek Wojtowicz, M.D., Ede Frecksa, M.D. and Luis Eduardo Luna, Ph.D. I am familiar with the work of Strassman, and I did find some of his material here "nothing new" for the most part; however, the essays of the other writers, especially Frecksa, was for me a new look at the nature of consciousness, and especially the possible quantum structure of the brain on the nano-scale. Extremely interesting. For people who have never before heard about or read about the deeper implications of hallucinogenic compounds, synthetic or natural, on the nature of reality and consciousness, this book will be nothing less than an amazing revelation. Most of the material has a high scientific and academic standard, though it sometimes does get a little "New Agey" here and there -- but that's okay. All in all, a fascinating collection of the writings of distinguished researchers which I am happy to recommend.
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This is my first review and the book is definitely worth taking some time to share my thoughts. After having watched the Spirit Molecule documentary, I was interested to delve deeper into the possibility of accessing unseen worlds and challenge my concept of consciousness. The book covered a broad range of topics relevant to psychedelic journeys, which made me even more interested in acquiring additional knowledge on the subject. At times, I felt that I didn't want to entertain the implications of some of the inferences drawn by the authors to save my sanity. Particularly, the reptilian humanoid creatures that appeared in some cosmonaut anecdotes who gave the impression that they had been expecting them. Overall, a great collection of works by credible and great minds. A highly recommended read for those brave enough to start testing their basic assumptions about reality.
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My favorite part of this book was commentary on the book of Genesis. I, too, saw a serpent in my vomit on ayahuasca. One of the articles discussed the serpent in the Garden of Eden as if the word "serpent" is overdetermined with three separate layers of significance, each of which suggests a serpentine entheogen such as ayahuasca. The serpent will "open your eyes" with knowledge (gnosis even), to become "like God, knowing good and evil." There is no reason to be alarmed; the issue is complex, not really Satanic in any disturbing sense.

An investigation into experiences of other realms of existence and contact with otherworldly beings
Examines how contact with alien life-forms can be obtained through the inner space dimensions of our minds
Presents evidence that other worlds experienced through consciousness-altering technologies are often as real as those perceived with our five senses
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