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Mescaline, the first psychedelic drug, has a long and fascinating history. This book explores the global history of mescaline, from its origins in Mesoamerica to its use in modern medicine and spirituality.

Mescaline is a naturally occurring alkaloid found in the peyote cactus and other members of the Cactaceae family. It has been used by indigenous peoples in the Americas for centuries for religious and medicinal purposes.

In the early 20th century, mescaline was introduced to the Western world by anthropologists and explorers. It quickly became a popular drug for recreational use, and was used by artists and intellectuals such as Aldous Huxley and Henri Michaux to explore the limits of consciousness.

However, mescaline was also associated with negative side effects, such as hallucinations and paranoia. In the 1960s, it was classified as a Schedule I drug in the United States, and its use became illegal.

In recent years, there has been a renewed interest in mescaline for its potential therapeutic benefits. Studies have shown that mescaline can be effective in treating conditions such as anxiety, depression, and addiction.

This book provides a comprehensive overview of the global history of mescaline, from its origins in Mesoamerica to its use in modern medicine and spirituality. It is a must-read for anyone interested in the history of psychedelics or the potential of these drugs to help us understand ourselves and the world around us.

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Reviews

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"A well-written and informative book that provides a comprehensive overview of the history of mescaline. This book is a valuable resource for anyone interested in the history of psychedelics or the potential of these drugs to help us understand ourselves and the world around us." - Dennis McKenna, author of "The Brotherhood of the Screaming Abyss"



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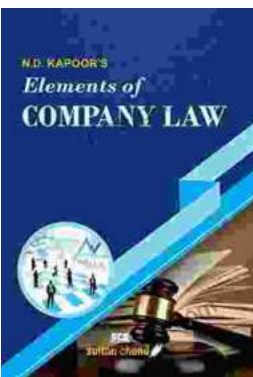
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