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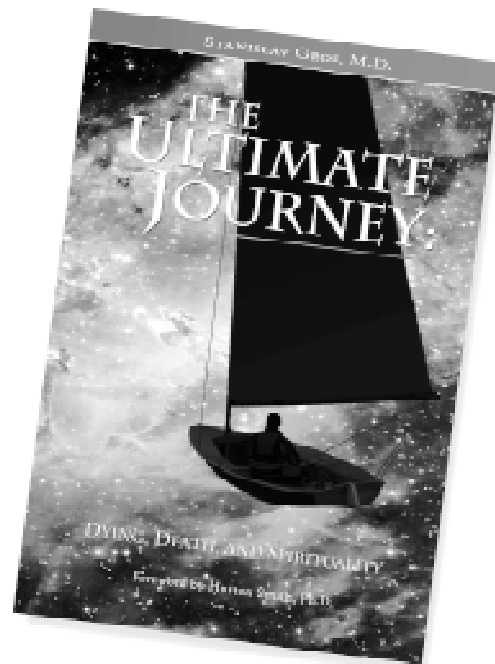
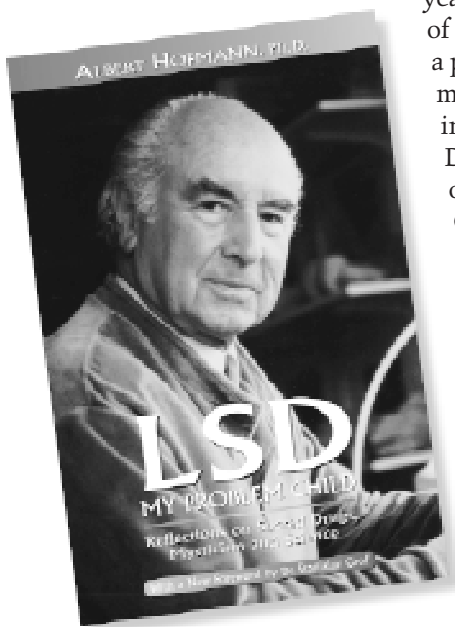
In honor of the 100th birthday of Dr. Albert Hofmann, MAPS has republished the English edition of Dr. Hofmann's memoir, *LSD: My Problem Child* — *Reflections on Sacred Drugs, Mysticism, and Science*. Out of print in the U.S. for years, this is the fascinating account of LSD's discovery, its brief status as a promising psychiatric research medicine, and its transformation into a recreational drug. Dr. Hofmann also tells the story of his adventures in Mexico with Gordon Wasson, where he sought out sacred mushrooms (later isolating psilocybin as their active component) and *salvia divinorum*.

New to the MAPS edition are 16 pages of color illustrations, a new introduction from the author, a foreword by LSD psychotherapist Stanislav Grof, M.D. and an index. The book is available at the MAPS online bookstore for \$12.95 (www.maps.org). You can also read it online at <http://www.maps.org/freebooks>.

At Dr. Hofmann's request, MAPS has worked to make the book available in Russian and Chinese. We located a Russian translation, as well as Japanese and Polish translations, and commissioned a Chinese translation. These are now posted at maps.org/freebooks.

Signed editions of *LSD: My Problem Child*

Dr. Hofmann has signed 100 copies of a special hardbound edition of his book, with the profits to be allocated entirely to MAPS-sponsored LSD and psilocybin research. Dr. Stanislav Grof, who wrote the foreword, has also signed these books. The first set of these books will sell for \$250 each, with the price increasing in tiers. If you're interested in purchasing one for your collection, contact MAPS at orders@maps.org



Forthcoming

Dr. Stanislav Grof, author of *LSD Psychotherapy* and the originator of Holotropic Breathwork, has asked MAPS to publish his latest book, *The Ultimate Journey: Consciousness and the Mystery of Death*. We are in the final stages of preparing the book for press, and we expect it to be available by summer.

In *The Ultimate Journey*, Dr. Grof argues that, contrary to the Western view, death is not necessarily the end of consciousness. He investigates cross-cultural beliefs, paranormal and near-death research, and his own patients' experiences of death and rebirth in psychedelic therapy. The 300+ page paperback offers a wealth of perspectives on how we can enrich and transform the experience of dying in our culture.

The book includes some of the same material as *The Human Encounter with Death*, written with Joan Halifax, but this is largely an original work with new data. The book will feature 24 pages of color images and a foreword by Huston Smith. MAPS will make an announcement when it will be available on the website, hopefully before summer 2006.