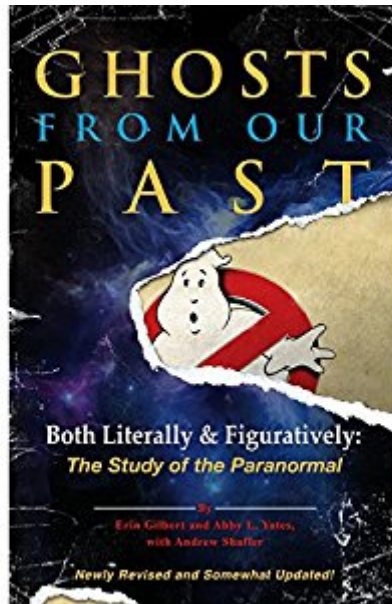


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Ghosts From Our Past: Both Literally And Figuratively: The Study Of The Paranormal



Synopsis

As seen in the Sony Pictures 2016 film *Ghostbusters*, here is the ultimate guide to identifying, understanding, and engaging with any paranormal activity that plagues you. Years before they made headlines with the *Ghostbusters*, Erin Gilbert and Abby L. Yates published the groundbreaking study of the paranormal *Ghosts from Our Past*. Once lost to history, this criminally underappreciated book is now back in print, revised and somewhat updated for the new century. According to Gilbert and Yates, "extraordinary claims require extraordinary evidence", and whether you're a believer or a skeptic, you'll find the information you're seeking right here in this extraordinary book, including: The childhood experiences that inspired Erin and Abby's lifelong passion for the scientific study of the paranormal The history of ghosts and other supernatural entities, the science that explains their existence, and profiles of the groundbreaking paranormal researchers who have investigated them A guide to class I through class VII ghosts Helpful sidebars like "A Ghost by Any Other Name" and "Ectoplasm Cleanup Tips" Updates including "The Ghostbusters' Arsenal" by Jillian Holtzmann and "Haunted History" by Patty Tolan A new ghostbusting resources appendix, featuring the "Paranormal Quickstart Guide", "Is It a Ghost? A Handy Quiz", "A Supernatural Stakeout Journal", "The Devil's Dictionary: Paraterminology You Need to Know", and more With this helpful - and hilarious - official *Ghostbusters* guide in hand, you'll be prepared for almost any spirit, spook, or specter that comes your way. As for the rest, you know who to call.

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It's been a long time since the Ghostbusters were a trending topic in society, but they are back full force but with some changes! In stead of the original cast including Dan Aykroyd, Bill Murray, and the others, this time the Ghostbusters are women! Melissa McCarthy and Kristen Wiig are wonderful actresses and super funny and totally fit the personas in this book! I haven't seen the new movie yet but that doesn't matter. This book will give you insight into the characters, the science and history behind it as well as how to become your own Ghostbuster, with a side of humor! Right from the start, from reading the New Foreword and Introduction, which at first made me skeptical of what I was about to read, you can see that this book is serious about not being too serious. This is not your typical identification textbook. It could be like a textbook with lots of information, and tips, but it is written differently and so that even the less scholarly person could understand it. Ghost From Our Past is a quick read. Seriously. I literally read the whole book this weekend while on a trip to my family's house. It was a 7 hour drive, each way, with stops for food and gas and leg stretching with my husband and 3 kids. I read the book about a quarter of the way there and 75% of the way back and finished it. I couldn't put it down. One thing you should know is that this book is written in perspective of the two leading women of the new Ghostbusters movie, and sometimes it seems if they refer to themselves in third person but not in a weird way, as it fits humorously. Erin Gilbert and Abby L.

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