



# The Day of the Dead

## Subject Guide



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### REFERENCE BOOKS

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*The spirit book: the encyclopedia of clairvoyance channeling, and spirit communication* REF BF1301 .B785 2006

*Encyclopedia of death and dying* REF HQ1073 .E543 2001

*Death and the afterlife: a cultural encyclopedia* REF GT3150 .T25 2000

*Classical myths and legends in the Middle Ages and Renaissance: a dictionary of allegorical meanings* REF PN669 .B78 1998

*Myths of the world: a thematic encyclopedia* REF BL311 .J67 1995

*Encyclopedia of afterlife beliefs and phenomena* REF BF1311.F8 L48 1994

*Encyclopedia of death* REF HQ1073 .E54 1989

#### Books you can check out – selected titles

Location: General Collection  
A-F 2nd Floor, G-N 3rd Floor, P-Z 4th

*The Tibetan book of the dead [English title]: the great liberation by hearing in the intermediate states [Tibetan title]* BQ4490 .K3713 2007

*The ancient Maya* F1435 .S53 2006

*Skulls to the living, bread to the dead: the day of the dead in Mexico and beyond* GT4995.A4 B73 2006

*Days of death, days of life: ritual in the popular culture of Oaxaca* GT4995.A4 N67 2006

*The Day of the Dead : when two worlds meet in Oaxaca* GT4995.A4 H35 2006

*Death's door: modern dying and the ways we grieve* HQ1073 .G54 2006

*Funeral festivals in America: rituals for the living* GT3203 .T48 2006

*El corazón de la muerte: altars and offerings for days of the dead* GT4995.A4 C67 2005

*Death and the idea of Mexico* GT3214 .L65 2005

*Cultural changes in attitudes toward death, dying, and bereavement* GT3150 .H38 2005

*The buried soul: how humans invented death* GT3150 .T26 2004

*The mourner's dance: what we do when people die* GT3390 .A84 2003

*Magic, witchcraft, and ghosts in the Greek and Roman worlds: a sourcebook* BF1591 .O335 2002

*Sir Gawain and the Green Knight; Patience; and Pearl: verse translations* PR1972.G35 A35 2001

*The archaeology of death and burial* GT3150 .P43 2000

*Bereavement and commemoration: an archaeology of mortality* DA880.O6 T37 1999

*Beyond silence and denial: death and dying reconsidered* BT825 .B72 1999

*Death and bereavement across cultures* BF789.D4 D343 1997

*Maya color: the painted villages of Mesoamerica* F1435.3.D84 B43 1997

*Life after death: a study of the afterlife in world religions* BL504 .M37 1995

*Death, ecstasy, and other worldly journeys* BL504 .D37 1995

*Halloween and other festivals of death and life* GT4965 .H32 1994

*The skeleton at the feast: the Day of the Dead in Mexico* GT4995.A4 C37 1992

*The monstered self: narratives of death and performance in Latin American fiction* PQ7082.N7 G673 1992

*Endings: a sociology of death and dying* HQ1073 .K43 1989

*Voodoo & hoodoo : their tradition and craft as revealed by actual practitioners* BL2490 .H37 1988

*Quetzalcóatl, serpiente emplumada* F1219.3.R38 P56 1985

*The phoenix of the Western world: Quetzalcoatl and the sky religion* F1219.76.R45 B78

*The blood of kings: dynasty and ritual in Maya art* F1435.3.A7 S34 1986

*Spiritualism and nineteenth-century letters* BF1275.L58 G64

*Facts, frauds, and phantasms; a survey of the spiritualist Movement* BF1261.2 .M24

*The unhappy medium; spiritualism and the life of Margaret Fox* BF1283.F7 F6

*The Gawain-poet; a critical study* PR315 .S7

## DVDs and Videos, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor

*Gawain and the green knight* (DVD) 2002

*Final chapter: cultural issues & attitudes surrounding death & dying* (VHS) 2000

*Maya, lords of the jungle* (VHS) 1995

## Electronic Books through NetLibrary

*Of corpse: death and humor in folklore and popular culture* (2003)

*The history of Mexico* (2000)

*Mighty stories, dangerous rituals: weaving together the human and the divine* (1998)

*Facing death: where culture, religion, and medicine meet* (1996)

*Maya sculpture of Copán: the iconography* (1994)

*From the mouth of the dark cave: commemorative sculpture of the late classic Maya* (1991)

## Suggested search terms for use in the library's Catalog

Day of the Dead

All Souls Day

Voodoo

Mourning Customs

Death—Social Aspects

Death—Religious Aspects

Spiritualism

Maya or Mayan

Book of the Dead

Gawain and the Green Knight

Iconography

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