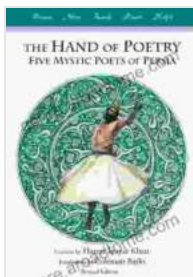


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In the ethereal realms of literature, where words dance with divine inspiration, lies a treasure trove of mystical verse from the heartland of Persia. *Five Mystic Poets of Persia* presents a captivating collection of the works of five legendary Sufi poets: Rumi, Hafez, Saadi, Omar Khayyam, and Fariduddin Attar.

These poets, masters of their craft, have woven into their verses a tapestry of love, wisdom, and the divine, inviting readers on a journey of spiritual awakening and self-discovery.

Rumi: The Whirling Dervish of Love

Jalal ad-Din Rumi, known affectionately as Rumi, was a thirteenth-century Persian poet, Sufi mystic, and theologian. His poetry, characterized by its passionate intensity and profound spiritual longing, has captivated hearts for centuries.

Rumi's verses dance with the ecstasy of divine love. He celebrates the union of the soul with the Beloved, urging readers to surrender to the transformative power of love.

"Let yourself be silently drawn by the strange pull of what you really love. It will not lead you astray." - Rumi

Hafez: The Nightingale of Shiraz

Khwaja Shams-ud-Din Hafez, known as Hafez, was a fourteenth-century Persian poet whose verses are renowned for their lyrical beauty and enigmatic wisdom. His poetry explores themes of love, friendship, and the search for truth.

Hafez's verses are like delicate petals of a rose, fragrant with love and longing. He invites readers to embrace the present moment and find solace in the ephemeral joys of life.

"I wish I could show you, when you are lonely or in darkness, the astonishing light of your own being." - Hafez

Saadi: The Master of Wisdom

Muslih-ud-Din Saadi Shirazi, known as Saadi, was a thirteenth-century Persian poet, traveler, and social reformer. His poetry is known for its didactic nature, imparting valuable lessons on morality, friendship, and the human condition.

Saadi's verses are like precious gems, each one carrying a timeless truth or pearl of wisdom. He guides readers on the path of righteousness, emphasizing the virtues of compassion, humility, and integrity.

"The world is a mirror. Frown at it, and it frowns at you; smile, and it smiles back." - Saadi

Omar Khayyam: The Philosopher-Poet

Ghiyath al-Din Abu'l-Fath Omar ibn Ibrahim Khayyami Nishapuri, known as Omar Khayyam, was an eleventh-century Persian poet, mathematician, astronomer, and philosopher. His poetry, often infused with skepticism and existentialism, explores the complexities of human existence.

Khayyam's verses are like enigmatic riddles, inviting readers to ponder the nature of life, death, and the divine. He celebrates the joys of earthly pleasures while acknowledging the inevitability of fate.

"The moving finger writes, and, having writ, moves on: nor all your piety nor wit shall lure it back to cancel half a line, nor all your tears wash out a word of it." - Omar Khayyam

Fariduddin Attar: The Mystic Guide

Farid ud-Din Abu Hamid Muhammad ibn Abu Bakr Ibrahim Attar Nishapuri, known as Fariduddin Attar, was a twelfth-century Persian poet, Sufi mystic, and hagiographer. His poetry is renowned for its allegorical and didactic nature, offering profound insights into the spiritual journey.

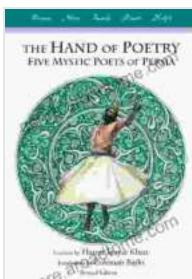
Attar's verses are like a labyrinth of wisdom, guiding readers through the trials and tribulations of the human condition. He emphasizes the importance of self-knowledge, purification of the heart, and the ultimate surrender to the divine.

"If you are a seeker of truth, do not seek it from others. Look for it within yourself." - Fariduddin Attar

Five Mystic Poets of Persia is a literary treasure that offers readers a glimpse into the enchanting realm of Persian mysticism. Through the exquisite verses of Rumi, Hafez, Saadi, Omar Khayyam, and Fariduddin Attar, readers can embark on a journey of love, wisdom, and the divine.

These poets have left an indelible mark on the world of literature, their words continuing to inspire, comfort, and enlighten generations.

Immerse yourself in the mystical tapestry of Five Mystic Poets of Persia and discover the timeless wisdom and beauty that lies within.



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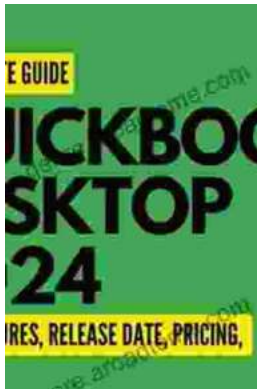
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