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Sacred Clowns University of  
Oklahoma Press  
The author of eighteen  
spellbinding detective  
novels set on the Navajo  
Nation, Tony Hillerman  
simultaneously transformed

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a traditional genre and unlocked the mysteries of the Navajo culture to an audience of millions. His best-selling novels added Navajo Tribal Police detectives Joe Leaphorn and Jim Chee to the pantheon of American fictional detectives. Morris offers a balanced portrait of Hillerman's personal and professional life and provides a timely appreciation of his work. In intimate detail, Morris captures the author's early years in Depression-era Oklahoma; his near-death experience in World War II; his sixty-year marriage to

Marie; his family life, including six children, five of them adopted; his work in the trenches of journalism; his affliction with PTSD and its connection to his enchantment with Navajo spirituality; and his ascension as one of America's best-known writers of mysteries. Further, Morris uncovers the almost accidental invention of Hillerman's iconic detective Joe Leaphorn and the circumstances that led to the addition of Jim Chee as his partner. Hillerman's novels were not without

controversy. Morris examines the charges of cultural appropriation leveled at the author toward the end of his life. Yet, for many readers, including many Native Americans, Hillerman deserves critical acclaim for his knowledgeable and sensitive portrayal of Diné (Navajo) history, culture, and identity. At the time of Hillerman's death, more than 20 million copies of his books were in print, and his novels inspired Robert Redford to adapt several of them to film. In weaving together all the elements of Hillerman's life, Morris

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drew on the untapped collection of the author ' s papers, extensive archival research, interviews with friends, colleagues, and family, as well as travel in the Navajo Nation. Filled with never-before-told anecdotes and fresh insights, Tony Hillerman will thrill the author ' s fans and awaken new interest in his life and literary legacy. Tony Hillerman: The Leaphorn & Chee Novels University of Oklahoma Press

For acting Lieutenant Jim Chee, the murder of a Navajo Tribal Police officer seems like an open-and-shut case when he discovers a Hopi poacher huddled over the

victim's butchered corpse. However, Chee's newly retired predecessor, Joe Leaphorn, believes otherwise. Hired to find a missing biologist who was searching for the key to a virulent hidden plague—and who vanished in the same area and on the same day the policeman was slain—Leaphorn suspects both events are somehow connected. And the reported sighting of a "skinwalker"—a Navajo witch—has Leaphorn and Chee seeking answers to a deadly riddle in a dark place where superstition and science collide.

**Violence in American Popular Culture [2 volumes]** Sacred Clowns Officer Bernadette

Manuelito found the dead man slumped over in the cab of a blue pickup abandoned in a dry gulch off a dirt road, with a rich ex-con's phone number in his pocket . . . and a tobacco tin nearby filled with tracer gold. It's her initial mishandling of the scene that spells trouble for her supervisor, Sergeant Jim Chee of the Navajo Tribal Police, but it's the echoes of a long-ago crime that call the legendary former Lieutenant Joe Leaphorn

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out of retirement. Years earlier, Leaphorn followed the trail of a beautiful, young, and missing wife to a dead end, and his failure has haunted him ever since. But ghosts never sleep in these high, lonely Southwestern hills. And the twisted threads of craven murders past and current may finally be coming together, thanks to secrets once moaned in torment on the desert wind.

**Sequels** Harper Collins  
The fifth novel featuring

Leaphorn and Chee by New York Times bestselling author Tony Hillerman, now reissued in the Premium Plus format. The corpse had been “scalped,” its palms and soles removed after death. Sergeant Jim Chee of the Navajo Tribal Police knows immediately he will have his hands full with this case, a certainty that is supported by the disturbing occurrences to follow. A mysterious nighttime plane crash, a vanishing shipment of

cocaine, and a bizarre attack on a windmill only intensify Chee’s fears. A dark and very ill wind is blowing through the Southwestern desert, a gale driven by Navajo sorcery and white man’s greed. And it will sweep away everything unless Chee can somehow change the weather. *The Psychosocial Implications of Disney Movies* Simon and Schuster Describes the religious rites and ceremonies of North American Indians, looks at the role of the

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shaman, and shows ceremonial masks, costumes, and objects  
The Fallen Man Harper Collins  
Lieutenant Leaphorn of the Navajo tribal police comes out of retirement for a solution to a case which eluded him 11 years earlier. The case was the disappearance of a local rancher, shortly after he inherited money, while on a hiking trip with his wife. Now his skeleton has been found.

The Sacred Time Life Education  
Lieutenant Joe Leaphorn of the Navajo Tribal Police investigates the vicious murders of an elderly man and a teenage girl, as well as the blind Listening Woman's visions of ghosts and witches, and uncovers an evil that is all

too human in origin. Reissue.  
Living the Sky Harper Collins  
Explores the living spiritual tradition surrounding birds in Native American culture • Pairs scholarly research with more than 200 firsthand accounts of bird signs from traditional Native Americans and their descendants • Examines the legends, wisdom, and powers of the birds known as the gatekeepers of the four directions—Eagle, Hawk, Crow, and Owl • Provides many examples of bird sign interpretations and human-bird communication that can be applied in your own encounters with birds  
Birds are our strongest allies in the natural world. Revered in Native American spirituality and

shamanic traditions around the world, birds are known as teachers, guardians, role models, counselors, healers, clowns, peacemakers, and meteorologists. They carry messages and warnings from loved ones and the spirit world, report deaths and injuries, and channel divine intelligence to answer our questions. Some of their “ signs ” are so subtle that one could discount them as subjective, but others are dramatic enough to strain even a skeptic ’ s definition of coincidence. Pairing scholarly research with more than 200 firsthand accounts of bird encounters from traditional Native Americans and their descendants, Evan Pritchard explores the living spiritual tradition surrounding birds

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in Native American culture. He examines in depth the birds known as the gatekeepers of the four directions--Eagle in the North, Hawk in the East, Crow in the South, and Owl in the West--including their roles in legends and the use of their feathers in shamanic rituals. He reveals how the eagle can be a direct messenger of the Creator, why crows gather in "Crow Councils," and how shamans have the ability to travel inside of birds, even after death. Expanding his study to the wisdom and gifts of birds beyond the four gatekeepers, such as hummingbirds, seagulls, and the mythical thunderbird, he provides numerous examples of everyday bird sign interpretations that can be applied

in your own encounters with birds as well as ways we can help protect birds and encourage them to communicate with us. Tony Hillerman's Navajoland American Library Association "Brilliant...as fascinating as it is original." —St. Louis Post-Dispatch From New York Times bestselling author Tony Hillerman, the first novel in his series featuring Lieutenant Joe Leaphorn & Officer Jim Chee who encounter a bizarre case that borders between the supernatural and murder Homicide is always an abomination, but there is something exceptionally disturbing about the victim

discovered in a high, lonely place—a corpse with a mouth full of sand—abandoned at a crime scene seemingly devoid of tracks or useful clues. Though it goes against his better judgment, Navajo Tribal Police Lieutenant Joe Leaphorn cannot help but suspect the hand of a supernatural killer. There is palpable evil in the air, and Leaphorn's pursuit of a Wolf-Witch leads him where even the bravest men fear, on a chilling trail that winds perilously between mysticism and murder. Reading in Indianapolis Harper Kids who understand how to manage conflict successfully can

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transform their schools into safer and kinder places to learn. Kids Working It Out offers educators and parents a guide to the most current and effective school-based conflict resolution programs and shows how these programs can make a positive difference in our schools. Throughout the book, students and teachers share their stories of what it's really like in today's schools and reveal how Conflict Resolution Education, has shaped their experiences. Kids Working It Out covers a wide range of topics-- curriculum integration, peer mediation, restorative justice, and others--

and shows what it takes to implement an effective program in any school, and any community.

Harper Collins

An enormously satisfying, exciting and enriching book, Vikram Chandra's novel draws the reader deep into the lives of detective Sartaj Singh and Ganesh Gaitonde, the most wanted gangster in India. Sartaj, the only Sikh inspector in the whole of Mumbai, is used to being identified by his turban, beard and the sharp cut of his trousers. But 'the silky Sikh' is now past forty, his marriage is over and his career prospects are on the slide. When Sartaj gets an anonymous tip off as to the secret hideout of the legendary boss of

the G-company, he's determined that he'll be the one to collect the prize. This is a sprawling, epic novel of friendships and betrayals, of terrible violence, of an astonishing modern city and its underworld. Drawing on the best of Victorian fiction, mystery novels, Bollywood movies and Vikram Chandra's years of first hand research on the streets of Mumbai, this novel reads like a potboiling page-turner but resonates with the intelligence and emotional depth of the best of literature.

**Dance Hall of the Dead**

Harper Collins

Jim Chee is torn between his role as the prosecution's star witness against the man

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charged with killing his best friend and his own investigation of the crime.

Reprint

Talking God University of Utah Press

An informative introduction to traditional and contemporary religious concepts of North American Indians, and a standard reference for all U.S. and Canadian universities.

Leaphorn & Chee Harper Collins  
The first full-length examination of the works of Tony Hillerman, Grand Master of contemporary popular mystery fiction.  
American Indian Myths and Legends Greenwood Publishing Group

In this volume of 15 articles, contributors from a wide range of disciplines present their analyses of Disney movies and Disney music, which are mainstays of popular culture. The power of the Disney brand has heightened the need for academics to question whether Disney 's films and music function as a tool of the Western elite that shapes the views of those less empowered. Given its global reach, how the Walt Disney Company handles the role of race, gender, and sexuality in social structural inequality merits serious reflection according to a number

of the articles in the volume. On the other hand, other authors argue that Disney productions can help individuals cope with difficult situations or embrace progressive thinking. The different approaches to the assessment of Disney films as cultural artifacts also vary according to the theoretical perspectives guiding the interpretation of both overt and latent symbolic meaning in the movies. The authors of the 15 articles encourage readers to engage with the material, showcasing a variety of views about the good, the bad, and the best way forward.



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Skinwalkers UNM Press  
Two Native-American boys  
have vanished into thin air,  
leaving a pool of blood  
behind them. Lieutenant Joe  
Leaphorn of the Navajo  
Tribal Police has no choice  
but to suspect the very worst,  
since the blood that stains the  
parched New Mexican  
ground once flowed through  
the veins of one of the  
missing, a young Zuñi. But  
his investigation into a terrible  
crime is being complicated by  
an important archaeological  
dig . . . and a steel hypodermic  
needle. And the unique laws

and sacred religious rites of the  
Zuñi people are throwing  
impassable roadblocks in  
Leaphorn's already twisted  
path, enabling a craven  
murderer to elude justice or,  
worse still, to kill again.  
The Shape Shifter Harpercollins  
The accompanying CD provides  
excerpts from the interviews with  
the authors.  
Walking in the Sacred Manner  
Perennial  
Sacred ClownsHarper  
Paperbacks  
Tony Hillerman McFarland  
New York Times Bestseller The  
New York Times bestselling  
novel by master writer Tony

Hillerman—an electrifying  
thriller of revenge, secrets, and  
murder. “ One of the best of the  
series. ” —New York Times  
Book Review Old Joseph Joe sees  
it all. Two strangers spill blood at  
the Shiprock Wash-O-Mat. One  
dies. The other drives off into the  
dry lands of the Big Reservation,  
but not before he shows the old  
Navajo a photo of the man he  
seeks. This is all Tribal  
Policeman Jim Chee needs to set  
him off on an odyssey that  
moves from a trapped ghost in  
an Indian hogan to the seedy  
underbelly of L.A. to an ancient  
healing ceremony where death is  
the cure, and into the dark heart

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of murder and revenge.

Sophie's World Farrar, Straus and Giroux

Tony Hillerman's bestselling Navajo mysteries have thrilled millions of readers with their taut, intricate plotting, sensitive, subtle characterizations and lyrical evocations of landscapes and cultures. Now he departs his trademark terrain and applies his talents to a story he has wanted to tell for decades about an ordinary man thrust into total chaos. Until the telephone call came for him on April 12, 1975, the world

of Moon Mathias had settled into a predictable routine. He knew who he was. He was the disappointing son of Victoria Mathias, the brother of the brilliant, recently dead Ricky Mathias and a man who could be counted on to solve small problems. But the telephone caller was an airport security officer, and the news he delivered handed Moon a problem as large as Southeast Asia. His mother, who should be in her Florida apartment, is fighting for her life in a Los Angeles hospital -- stricken while en route to the

Philippines to bring home a grandchild they hadn't known existed. The papers in her purse send Moon into a world totally strange to him. They lure him down the back streets of Manila, to a rural cockfight, into the odd Filipino prison on Palawan Island and finally across the South China Sea to where Pol Pot's Khmer Rouge is turning Cambodia into killing fields and Communist rockets are beginning to fall on the outskirts of Saigon. Finding Moon is many things: a latter-day adventure epic, a deftly orchestrated romance,

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an arresting portrait of an  
exotic realm engulfed in  
turmoil, and a neatly turned  
tale of suspense. Most of all, it  
is a singular story of how a  
plain, uncertain man finds his  
best self.