BOOK REVIEW

The Quantum Biosemiosphere
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Michael Charles Tobias and Jane Gray Morrison have, once again, broken through into a new realm of environmental consciousness with their latest mind-bending work, The Quantum Biosemiosphere. This latest brilliant undertaking offers readers the opportunity to explore some of the deepest and most complex ideas ever composed in the ecological literary pantheon. The authors challenge readers to stretch the “evolutionary boundaries” of their minds and connect to an existing but heretofore unseen means of communing with nature. To enter the truly present, quantum world of underlying social messaging from the inhabitants of the earth, the biosemiosphere, an elaborate, beautiful ecology of profound meaning being shared by species, mountains, cells, and waves of light, is akin to entering a far intensely alive version of Walden’s Pond.

Gregory Bateson, the infamous philosopher/ecologist who pioneered the idea of integrating information systems and ecological awareness, could only imagine such remarkable elucidation and expansion of such a clear and truly empathic environmental paradigm as Tobias and Morrison have done here. The authors have brought to bear a tremendous wealth of artistic, literary, scientific and ecological research powerfully catalyzing an immersive path to attune ourselves to our inherent but distracted eco-psychological immanence. Ethological communication can serve as the basis for our survival and our capacity to understand, decipher and intuit the signals, Dolittle-like, not just intrinsic beauty but the vulnerability of the Others, made worse by the consequences of our brute obliviousness and outright hostility to nature.

Tobias and Morrison’s rewarding book demands scintillating focus and presents a serious, if shattering treatise, a transformative ecological paradigm based in a new theoretical metaphysics which surrounds us, is speaking to us, lives within us and seeks to guide us towards a transcendent future caretaking this precious earth.

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