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A complete, advanced magical training course for the individual or for groups, with details of the author's magical order, an outline for setting up a temple, and instructions for carrying out the essential rituals of Chaos Magic. Includes a fresh look at aionics, cosmogenesis, auric magic, and shadow time, as well as discloses the technical aspects of spells and equations. Illustrated. Appendices. References.

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Aaron Meyer says

I remember when this book came out it was like the hottest thing out there. As far as Chaos Magic goes this is one of the essential books to have on the shelf. It gives theory, philosophy and practices that are essential for the practitioner.

Lindsey says

An excellent description of Chaos Theory used as a magical theory. It was really refreshing to read this after reading so many of the heavy handed magical/mystical theories out there. And this stuff works.

Sighris says

Available for free on-line... or at least it was last time I looked. The theory on how the IOT should work.

Amadeus says

Liber Kaos elaborates on many concepts introduced in the essays of Liber Null & Psychonut. The first portion of the book textbookily answers the question: "How does magic *actually* work?" and how it has evolved since the dawning of shamanism. It pulls explanations from chaos theory and some other scientific models, which paradoxically adds and subtracts to the existential nature of it's predecessor.

The middle portion of the book introduces a color magic system that corresponds to the eight points of the chaos star. It may contradict the anti-dogmatic themes of Liber Null, but I feel like it is made understood that this is *Carroll's* system and you may apply it as you see fit.

The final portion of the book is instruction to the reader on how to start your own local chaos temple, and also rituals for the initiate.

The book does feel like more of a "manual" than any other of Peter J. Carroll's books, but that doesn't mean that it doesn't hold to psychologically freeform ideas.

Pamela says

When I read it, it blew my mind. I've read a lot since tho, so it's hard to remember my first impression. There's not enough out there about mathemagics tho, so I think it still holds it's place as an important read.

Terra Bosart says

One of the first books on magic that didn't talk down to me, and also didn't use a great deal of flowery language. It inspired me to analyze my perspectives, and begin practice again.

Timm says

One of the best technical manuals on magick yet created. Carroll is one of the minds behind the rise of Chaos Magick. This book is a refreshing dose out of the standard mythic embedded occult offerings.

Constantin says

In a single word ... Meh

In more words,

If you are new to Carroll's books, then this book is a good introduction and has some nice information in it to catch your interest.

If you have read other works by Carroll, then you realise that every single book is a plagiarism of his other books. Literally, every book is almost identical, says the same things on the same subjects with the same advice, just in sort of different words. It feels like "limbo" for books. Also, every single one of the books is an entry-level information, and the rituals mentioned in this one are ridiculous!

Only gave it 3 stars because it would be a good starting point for a beginner and due to the fact that it has 3-4 paragraphs that are good food for thought.

Rob says

I like his move of trying to justify CMT on grounds of theoretical physics-- his math is woefully underdone here, but the math on his website carries onward where this book fails.

Justin says

As a beginner, this was way above my head. I think I will stick to Lon Milo DuQuette who I can actually understand

Ankhie Weiser says

After a lively and well attended discussion of Peter Carroll's Liber Null & Psychonaut for last month's Weiser Book Club - the members have voted to carry on with Liber Kaos. We will be meeting on Twitter, Facebook & www.weiserbooksblog.com on Wednesday June 1st (noonish ET) using the hashtag #WBC8!

Join us!

Felix says

This book is in parts truly excellent - and should be essential reading for students of the 'arte magickal'. The descriptions of mechanism and process are outstanding - although they will appeal most to people with a physics / maths inclination.

Some other parts of the book (perhaps less important ones, really) are much weaker - and make lots of sense but probably are only really useful if you already know what the author is talking about ... otherwise they are likely to be seen as either uninformative or superficial.

However - well worth reading for the good bits - and there are some very good bits.

Jason says

If you are into Chaos Magic this is a pivotal book, along with Liber Null and Psychonaut: An Introduction to Chaos Magic

Mychole Price says

Great book to refresh the magickal knowledge already has. Definitely retro in presentation.

Edric Unsane says

Oddly enough, it's not my favorite book on Chaos Magic.
