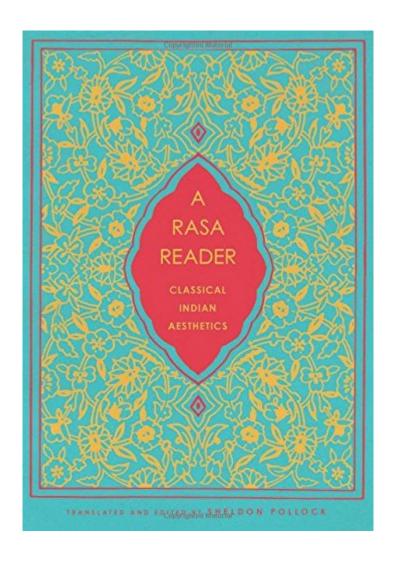
## The book was found

# A Rasa Reader: Classical Indian Aesthetics (Historical Sourcebooks In Classical Indian Thought)





## **Synopsis**

From the early years of the Common Era to 1700, Indian intellectuals explored with unparalleled subtlety the place of emotion in art. Their investigations led to the deconstruction of artâ ™s formal structures and broader inquiries into the pleasure of tragic tales. Rasa, or taste, was the word they chose to describe artâ ™s aesthetics, and their passionate effort to pin down these phenomena became its own remarkable act of creation. This book is the first in any language to follow the evolution of rasa from its origins in dramaturgical thought—a concept for the stage—to its flourishing in literary thought—a concept for the page. Reader on Rasa incorporates primary texts by every significant thinker of classical Indian aesthetics, many never translated before. The arrangement of the selections captures the intellectual dynamism that has powered this debate for centuries. Headnotes explain the meaning and significance of each text, a comprehensive introduction summarizes major threads in intellectual-historical terms, and critical endnotes and an extensive bibliography add further depth to the selections. The Sanskrit theory of emotion in art is one of the most sophisticated in the ancient world, a precursor of the work being done today by critics and philosophers of aesthetics. This volumeâ ™s conceptual detail, historical precision, and clarity will appeal to any scholar interested in a full portrait of global intellectual development. Reader on Rasa is the inaugural book in the Historical Sourcebooks in Classical Indian Thought series, edited by Sheldon Pollock. These text-based books guide readers through the most important forms of classical Indian thought, from epistemology, rhetoric, and hermeneutics to astral science, yoga, and medicine. Each volume provides fresh translations of key works, headnotes to contextualize selections, a comprehensive analysis of major lines of development within the discipline, and exegetical and text-critical endnotes, as well as a bibliography. Designed for comparativists and interested general readers, Historical Sourcebooks is also a great resource for advanced scholars seeking authoritative commentary on challenging works.

### **Book Information**

File Size: 1338 KB

Print Length: 472 pages

Publisher: Columbia University Press (April 19, 2016)

Publication Date: April 19, 2016

Sold by:Â Digital Services LLC

Language: English

ASIN: B01ERNT7EA

Text-to-Speech: Enabled

X-Ray: Not Enabled

Word Wise: Not Enabled

Lending: Not Enabled

Enhanced Typesetting: Not Enabled

Best Sellers Rank: #444,876 Paid in Kindle Store (See Top 100 Paid in Kindle Store) #35 in Kindle Store > Kindle eBooks > Literature & Fiction > Drama & Plays > Asian #55 in Kindle Store > Kindle eBooks > Literature & Fiction > Poetry > Asian #55 in Books > Literature & Fiction > Dramas & Plays > Regional & Cultural > Asian

#### Download to continue reading...

A Rasa Reader: Classical Indian Aesthetics (Historical Sourcebooks in Classical Indian Thought) 7 BOOKS ON MENTAL POWER AND THOUGHT FORCE. THOUGHT-FORCE IN BUSINESS AND EVERYDAY LIFE; MEMORY CULTURE; DYNAMIC THOUGHT; THOUGHT VIBRATION; MENTAL POWER; ... OF LESSONS (Timeless Wisdom Collection) Indian Cooking: for Beginners - Indian Recipes Cookbook 101 - Indian Cuisine - Indian Culinary Traditions (Indian Food Recipes - Indian Food Cookbook for Beginners) Ancient Greece: Social and Historical Documents from Archaic Times to the Death of Alexander (Routledge Sourcebooks for the Ancient World) La tabla rasa: La negaciA n moderna de la naturaleza humana (Spanish Edition) The Budget Wedding Sourcebook (Sourcebooks) The Eating Disorders Sourcebook: A Comprehensive Guide to the Causes, Treatments, and Prevention of Eating Disorders (Sourcebooks) Art Therapy Sourcebook (Sourcebooks) Qualitative Methods in Social Work Research (SAGE Sourcebooks for the Human Services) Mancuso's Small Business Resource Guide (Small Business Sourcebooks) Professional and Occupational Licensure in the United States: An Annotated Bibliography and Professional Resource (Production Sourcebooks; 14) Battletech Wars of Reaving (Battletech Sourcebooks) American Interpretations of Natural Law: A Study in the History of Political Thought (Library of Liberal Thought) Poetry, Language, Thought (Harper Perennial Modern Thought) The Religious Thought of Hasidism: Text and Commentary (Sources and Studies in Kabbalah, Hasidism, and Jewish Thought, V. 4) The Book of Indian Crafts and Indian Lore: The Perfect Guide to Creating Your Own Indian-Style Artifacts Italian Feminist Thought: A Reader Masters of Sociological Thought: Ideas in Historical and Social Context Futures Past: On the Semantics of Historical Time (Studies in Contemporary German Social Thought.) Designing for Performance: Weighing Aesthetics and Speed

#### Dmca