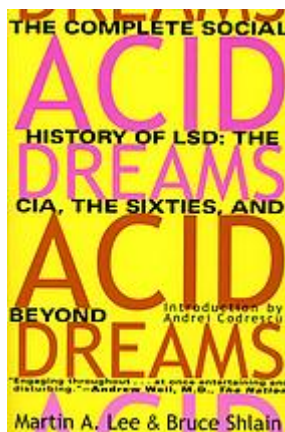


ADF Library Book Review.

Acid Dreams: The Complete Social History of LSD: The CIA, the Sixties, and Beyond



Author: Martin A Lee and Bruce Shlain

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Rating: 5 being excellent



Overall impression:

A wild telling of drug history that truly lives up to the idea 'the truth is stranger than fiction'.

Favourite bit? :

I was so interested in how the book tracked the (often extremely unethical) use of psychedelics by the CIA, and how this US military activity ultimately became the reason medical psychedelic research was banned.

Your recommendation and why?

It's a fantastic recounting of how psychedelics came into popular culture, why they were so common in the 60s and why medical research of these substances was suppressed for decades. It's informative, shocking and sometimes quite funny in the telling of it's many anecdotes.

Who do you think would like to use this book?

Anyone who's interested in the past and current state of drug law, or curious about the stranger and more hidden parts of history, culture and US military operations.