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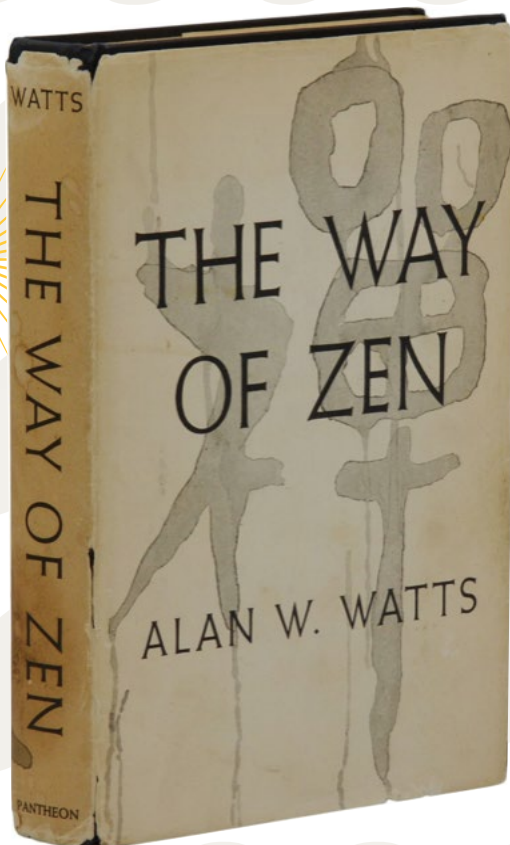


Zen's Smugglers

Towards a Connected Cultural History

Monday, July 13th, 18:00 (JST)

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SPEAKER



Zen swept through Western culture in the 1950s and 1960s. How did this cultural transfer occur, and who were its key actors? Answering these questions requires reconstructing a largely overlooked history. This involves moving beyond national and disciplinary boundaries, considering the agency of both Japanese exporters and Western importers, and examining the historical contexts that turned individual encounters into a collective phenomenon.

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