



Hans Holzer (b. January 26, 1920 in Vienna) is a popular parapsychologist.

*Supernaturally speaking, Dr. Holzer has seen and heard it all. Hans Holzer, Ph.D is one of the foremost authorities on the paranormal, and he has written over 100 books in his long and distinguished career.

Holzer has worked with psychic legends like Sybil Leek, he's investigated some of the most prominent haunted locations around the world, and he's come as close as a living person can to touching the "other side of life" – a term he's quick to point out that he invented.

Born January 26, 1920 in Vienna, Austria, Holzer embraced the supernatural from a young age. His interest in parapsychology started early in life-at age three! As a precocious, inquisitive nine year old in Vienna, Austria, he began writing poems and dramas on the subject of ghosts and performed experiments in "raising the dead."

Hans Holzer studied at the University of Vienna, Austria, and at Columbia University, New York, and received a Master's Degree followed by a Doctorate in Philosophy from the London College of Applied Science. He taught for eight years at the New York Institute of Technology and has been a guest lecturer at many colleges and universities. He specializes in Biblical archaeology and parapsychology.

In regards to his paranormal investigations, for Holzer each case must withstand journalistic integrity and journalism is just one of the many subjects he studied during his academic career. "I took ancient history and archaeology at the University of Vienna," he said. "Then I spent another three-and-a-half years at Columbia University where I studied Japanese. In addition, I was a graduate of the Academy of Journalism in Vienna, which was a total waste of time. But I took it – it sounded nice. At the end, I studied at the London College of Applied Science which awarded me a master's in comparative religion, and then a year later a Ph.D. with a specialty in parapsychology."

Holzer has worked with several mediums to compile this information on how things work in the afterlife. Holzer believes a good medium is the most critical element to a good supernatural investigation. He believes the medium is the person who can speak for those on the other side and deliver clear messages. He has also worked with well-known trance mediums such as Ethel Johnson-Meyers, Sybil Leek, Trixie Allingham. Dr. Hans Holzer has devoted more than three decades of his life to scientifically analyzing paranormal and psychic phenomena.

. “I do what I’m meant to do. A man who takes himself too seriously, others won’t take seriously, so I’m very careful about that. I want to be factual and to be useful – and I try to help anybody who wants help.”

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Literary Offerings by Hans Holzer

Novels

- The Red Chindvit Conspiracy (1970)
- Born Again (1970)
- The Psychic World of Bishop Pike (1970)
- Prophets Speak (1971)
- The Alchemy Deception (1973)
- Possessed! (1973)
- The Habsburg Curse (1973)
- The Clairvoyant (1976)
- Psychic Detective: The Unicorn (1976)
- Star of Destiny (1981)
- The Entry (1981)
- The Secret of Amityville (1985)
- Prophecies (1995)

Anthologies Edited

- Tales at Midnight (1994)

Non fiction

- **Ghost Hunter (1963)**
- Ghosts I've Met (1965)
- Yankee Ghosts (1966)
- The Lively Ghosts Of Ireland (1967)
- ESP and You (1968)
- The Truth about Witchcraft (1969)
- Window to the Past: Exploring History Through ESP (1969)
- The Aquarian Age: Is There Intelligent Life on Earth? (1971)
- The New Pagans: An Inside Report On the Mystery Cults of Today (1972)
- Beyond Medicine (1973)
- Great British Ghost Hunt (1975)
- The UFO-NAUTS: New Facts on Extraterrestrial Landings (1976)
- The Psychic Side of Dreams (1976)

- Inside Witchcraft (1980)
- Where the Ghosts Are: The Ultimate Guide to Haunted Houses (Library of the Mystic Arts) (1984)
- Ghosts of New England: True Stories of Encounters With the Phantoms of New England and New York (1989)
- Haunted House Album: A Ghostly Register of the World's Most *Frightening Haunted Houses (1992)
- Americas Mysterious Places (1992)
- Love Beyond the Grave (1992)
- Life Beyond: Compelling Evidence for Past Lives and Existence After Death (1994)
- The Directory of Psychics: How to Find, Evaluate, and Communicate with Professional Psychics and Mediums (1995)
- The Secret of Healing: The Healing Powers of Ze'Ev Kolman (1996)
- Ghosts: True Encounters with the World beyond (1997)
- Are You Psychic?: Unlocking the Power Within (1997)
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- Beyond Death (2001) (with Philip Solomon)
- Hans Holzer's Psychic Yellow Pages: The Very Best Psychics, Card Readers, Mediums, Astrologers, and Numberologists (2001)
- Hans Holzer's The Supernatural: Explaining The Unexplained (2003)