

UFO abduction images From Other Worlds. Left: The 1957 abduction of Brazilian Antonio Villas-Boas, who claimed he had sex with a female alien on the UFO. Right: The 1967 Betty Andreasson abduction. Below: John and Susan Day reported being taken, with their child and their car, onto a UFO where they were subjected to a physical examination by aliens.



## **UFO Picture Book**

From Other Worlds: Aliens, Abductions and UFOs, by English author Hilary Evans, is a 192-page, softcover coffeetable art book, full of stunning color illustrations covering the full spectrum of ufology.

Colman von Keviczky, Jim Oberg, Ray Fowler, and myself. (Some of my writings, including this column, are listed in the bibliography.) Despite its shortcomings, however, The UFO Encyclopedia is a very significant contribution — the best in the field so far.

## Pleading the Fifth

Another recent book, CE-5: Close Encounters of the Fifth Kind (Sourcebooks) is a substantial 435-page tome dealing with interaction and communication — both benign and hostile — between humans and aliens.

Author Richard F. Haines is a ufologist with above-average scientific credentials, having worked for 28 years researching life sciences for NASA. In 1986 he was appointed chief of the Space Human Factors Office at NASA's Ames Research Center, and he is still working there as a senior research scientist for a private contractor.

Haines' UFO research includes several areas, such as detailed photo analysis and a computerized catalog of aircraft-UFO encounters. His previous books include Observing UFOs (1980); Melbourne Episode: Case Study of a Missing Pilot (1987), on the mysterious disappearance of Australian pilot Frederick Valentich; and Project Delta: A Study of Multiple UFO (1994).

The acronym CE-5 is based on Dr. J. Allen Hynek's famous classification of Close Encounters of the First (CE-1), Second (CE-2), and Third (CE-3) Kinds. Although not coined by Hynek, ufologists have been using "CE-4" to refer to abductions for years. I first heard the term CE-5, applied to telepathic communication with aliens, in Brazil in the mid-1980s, Jacques Vallee used it later for "lasting injury." Dr. Steven Greer, founder of the Center for the Search for Extraterrestrial Intelligence (CSETI), adapted CE-5 to mean "any human-initiated interactive encounter with a UFO or its occupants."

In CE-5, Haines further refines Greer's definition to "any reported experience of deliberate human behavior that was soon followed by an obvious response from a UFO and/or humanoid and which included other effects suggesting it was not coincidental...in short, human-initiated contact." Such communi-

Evans runs the Mary Evans Picture Library, probably the world's largest collection of paranormal photos and illustrations. Although the pictures are the main attraction of From Other Worlds, there is plenty of text dealing with the history of UFOs and their various links to Fortean, psychic, religious, and mythological phenomena. It's definitely the best UFO picture book I've seen. — J. Antonio Huneeus

cation efforts range from the harmless (signaling with a flashlight) to the hostile (firing on a UFO).

Many of the 242 case files in CE-5 have been personally investigated by the author. The question of the reliability of the data looms large, as with any UFO book. As a scientist, Haines is aware of this problem. "Not until we hold all alleged evidence to equally high standards will we be in a position to claim that something truly remarkable has occurred," he writes. "Personal experiences are not sufficient." Nevertheless, there is enough smoke here to consider that a real fire is behind at least some of the cases.

My only reservation about CE-5 is the presence of Steven Greer, the controversial and charismatic emergency room doctor from North Carolina who founded CSETI and often makes outlandish claims on national TV shows. Haines brings credibility to Greer, not vice versa. Nevertheless, CE-5 is an important new book that should be studied by anyone interested in the UFO phenomenon.

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