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While researching their groundbreaking book, *Why Cats Paint*, Burton Silver and Heather Busch uncovered another phenomenon that seemed to merit further investigation: people who dance with their cats, or, more accurately, cats who dance with their people. It turns out that thousands of people today are rediscovering the ancient practice of cat dancing, tapping into this remarkable method of channeling feline energy and bonding with their pets. Some whisper to horses; others dance with cats. Both are manifestations of humankind's continual striving to connect with their animal companions on a higher spiritual level. *Dancing with Cats* presents scores of delightful and inspiring photographs of people and cats engaging in their favorite routines, as well as moving testimonies of the personal transformations brought about through this uniquely joyous form of communion. A brave leap forward in the history of human-feline relations, *Dancing with Cats* gives people and cats reason to rejoice, jump up in the air...and dance!

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Sarah says

I really hope this is a Stealth Parody of "new-agey" books, but I doubt it, considering the elaborate nature of such a hoax (a Google search has shown nothing that would indicate the authors aren't completely serious). People aren't kidding when they say it's so funny it made them cry. Behold:

... and this....

... AND **this** little trauma-inducing one...

... and that is just the start. Wait til you read the text...

Peacegal says

3.5 stars -- I kept thinking to myself, this is ripping off WHY CATS PAINT--until I realized the same folks are behind them both. Anyway, if you love cats, parodies, and bizarre humor, be sure not to miss it!

Jessica Thurlow says

Dancing with Cats – A Peek into the Insane

I've just finished Burton Silver and Heather Busch's Dancing with Cats. I'm not sure what to say about this book. I can't tell if it was produced in seriousness or if it's meant to be a parody. It's a book about people dancing with cats as a way to transfer feline energy from cat to owner. If it's meant to be a serious endeavor, I am deeply sad for the both the participants and the authors because they are quite clearly mentally disturbed. If it's meant to incite humour, it's a brilliant parody of high-fashion, haut couture and interpretive dance. There's not much else I can say about this book other than I feel it was king of a waste of my time either way.

Martel says

The only reason I didn't give this book 5 stars is its format. The artist's photos deserved a bigger frame. Otherwise, this book is almost perfect. Hilarious and beautiful in the same time. Not to be taken seriously, the book is nonetheless spiritually lifting: the dark clouds of the day will evaporate

right away as you'll burst out in a big, healthy laughter. At least, I hope so ;)
I wish I could find some of these pictures in poster format ^^
Some define the book as a parody, I don't think it's quite that: parody is mockery. This is more like a good-humored teasing, with a lot of love behind it.

Jason Koivu says

GOD DAMN IT

(Click on the link to see a moving picture show version of this review!
[http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=adVzqs...\)](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=adVzqs...)

Kristi says

On the surface this book may seem a bit silly, perhaps outlandish, and even downright nutty! On a deeper level, it is inspiring, fun, and pure magic. Many have written about this book as parody, and it is certainly a humorous book, as a quick scan of the images will reveal. Yet, the authors are individually involved in the field of feline energy dynamics and cat dance therapy, which certainly infers that there is a more earnest dimension to this project as well. While there may be tongue-in-cheek humor, it is quite possible a self-referential humor, which suits the tone of the book perfectly. Whether in jest or seriousness, this book resonates with levity to uplift the soul.

This book is premised on beliefs in energy fields, a spiritually vibrational universe, and the ability to achieve deep communication with another species, namely, cats. The authors contend that humans and cats can participate in a mutual communication that can result in synchronicity of movement in the form of dance (even performative dance!). As scientific studies have shown, cats vibrational energy fields can have positive physiological and psychological effects, which (according to this book) when expressed through dance create an ecstatic experience that can last for days. This book is - without a doubt - amusing, and the possibilities it offers are fascinating (if you open your mind to an alternate reality). I, for one, will now look at my cat's behaviors from a different perspective, and if I should be so honored with an invitation to dance, I will accept with joy!

Sara Parker says

This is a great book to read with your drunk husband. These people take dancing with cats seriously! For instance, it's important to hire a Cat Feng Shui expert to make sure your dancing space is properly laid out or a Cat Dancing Instructor to teach you proper technique. Who knew there was a demand for such occupations!

Redfox5 says

While I enjoyed the pictures of people dancing with their cats, and I wouldn't judge someone for partaking in this particular hobby. I did feel that the writing that accompanied the pictures, was a load of pretentious old bollocks.

The only bits I didn't mind, was the text that was with the kids dancing with their cats. The best quote was "Cats never ever eat fairies, except sometimes by mistake".

Take in the great photos and skip the text would be my recommendation with this one.

alyssa carver says

this is the funniest book i have ever read in my life. ever. to read it is to laugh.

Sarah says

Man oh man.

Kricket says

"Once when we were dancing I visualized a bright red rose and then the fleeting image of a speeding red sports car entered my mind. At that very moment Wiky leapt sideways and crashed into the bookcase, which completely wrecked the dance sequence, not to mention one of my mother's vases. I've spoken to other dance visualizers about this and the general consensus is that she responded to the flower as a bee and then had no time to change roles when the sports car came along."

Hillary says

The import with which these cat owner-dancers mesh their moves with their feline dance partners should not

go unnoticed by the book reading public. It is available for check-out at the North Hollywood branch library.

jenna says

This is my new favorite book. Never before has a book brought me so much joy and laughter; a solid 45 minutes of tears streaming down my cheeks as a try to choke out passages to my husband. (Note: I'm not sure if the fact that I really hate cats enhanced the book or not.)

What's most useful is that it is also instructional and will teach you how to "answer your cat's invitation to dance" (this is because cat's have an open invitation to synchronize their cosmic energies and vibrations with you!) These instructions include an hour or more a day of mimicry to attune to your cat, how long these sessions will need to go on for depends upon your cat's "channels" and the channel's degree of "openness".

Let it be said, in all fairness, i did take into account that perhaps dancing with cats is the one true way to reach God, the universe and eternal peace. I looked deep into Coco, the cat's, crossed-eyes and sent a visual bubble into her head, 'I will join you in dance, Coco'. But, I suspect she sensed my skepticism b/c she is currently keeping her ancient feline secrets to herself. Perhaps if I dress as a giant bird, as illustrated in this brilliant book...But, more realistically, if the path to enlightenment is thru cats, I'll happily accept illusion.

In conclusion, please read this book. If I had the resources I would buy it for everyone I know!

Paquita Maria Sanchez says

The low rating isn't because the book wasn't awesome, but because it was intimidatingly awesome and I hate being one-upped. Do you believe me?!? I'm also impressed that they managed to plug their other book in the TITLE of this book...I like that a lot, too. Ya know?

Oriana says

Omigod this is the best coffee table book *ever*. Well, ok, this and the Deviant Desires book.

Why Cats Paint is probably more appalling in its earnestness, but this is maybe the best unintentionally(?) hilarious thing you'll ever see.
