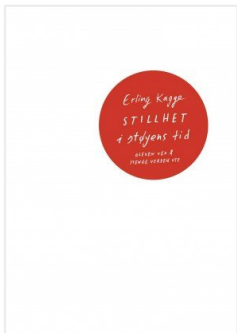


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Silence in the Age of Noise

Original title: Stillhet i støyens tid
Publisher: Kagge Forlag 2016
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Full English translation available

“Whenever I am unable to walk, climb or sail away from the world, I have learned to shut it out. Learning this took time. Only when I first understood that I had a primal need for silence, was I able to begin my search for it — and there, deep beneath a cacophony of traffic noise and thoughts, music and machinery, i-phones and snowploughs, it lay in wait for me. The silence.”

The author poses three questions: What is silence? Where can it be found? Why is it more important now than ever? What follows in his book are 33 attempts to answer the questions.

A personal, charming and significant book on a topic that powerfully addresses our modern times. Erling Kagge uses his extraordinary experiences to approach silence.

“Shutting out the world is not about turning your back on your surroundings, but rather the opposite: it is seeing the world more clearly, maintaining your direction and taking a stab at loving your life.”

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Erling Kagge

Erling Kagge has become something of a Renaissance man. A lawyer by training, he studied philosophy after exploring the world, starting his own publishing house, becoming a renowned collector of contemporary art, and latterly an author of slim but thought-provoking tomes. He has written books on exploration, philosophy and art collecting, all international best sellers and widely acclaimed by critics. His books are translated to 38 languages. In his most recent publications – *Silence in the Age of Noise* (2016) and *Walking: One Step at a Time* (2018) he reflects, in different ways, about the silence we carry inside us. But most importantly for Kagge, both books and *Philosophy for Polar Explorers* are about being in contact with nature.

The New York Times described Kagge as “... a philosophical adventurer or perhaps an adventurous philosopher”. Alain de Botton describes him as follows: “An author for our noisy times, full of a rare and deeply redemptive languor and perspective”.

Other titles

Philosophy for Polar Explorers (2019)
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