



Leslie Fiedler: Critic, Provocateur, Pop Culture Guru

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McFarland & Co Inc. Paperback. Book Condition: new. BRAND NEW, Leslie Fiedler: Critic, Provocateur, Pop Culture Guru, Prem Kumari Srivastava, This book brings to the fore the one-off American culturalist, Leslie Fiedler, who de-territorialised literary and cultural studies. Not to be trussed by national, linguistic, or disciplinary boundaries and not to be cowed down by the redacted geographies of American texts, which excluded more than included, Fiedler stood for the principles of the Sanskrit paradigm of Vasudheva Kutumbkam which forms the fulcrum of Hindu Upanishadic philosophy. True to its sublime thought (To discriminate, one is a relative; the other a stranger, can only be the deed of small men, and for those who live magnanimously the entire world constitutes but a family), this tall man rewrote America's exceptional dream exceptionally: one of inclusion and innovation without getting into insider-outsider dichotomies. The study of sva (self) and para (other) is so unique to Indian culture that one understands why Fiedler, the Jew, always studied himself and the Jew in relation to others. The metaphoric and symbolic Auslander, who in his literary, cultural, anthropological and socio-political sojourns, in America and outside, steered clear from the oft-walked beaten path and took the road...



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