



## The Cloak of Dreams: Chinese Fairy Tales

By Bela Balazs

Princeton University Press, United States, 2013. Paperback. Book Condition: New. Mariette Lydes (illustrator). 198 x 130 mm. Language: English . Brand New Book. A man is changed into a flea and must bring his future parents together in order to become human again. A woman convinces a river god to cure her sick son, but the remedy has mixed consequences. A young man must choose whether to be close to his wife s soul or body. And two deaf mutes transcend their physical existence in the garden of dreams. Strange and fantastical, these fairy tales of Bela Balazs (1884-1949), Hungarian writer, film critic, and famous librettist of Bluebeard s Castle, reflect his profound interest in friendship, alienation, and Taoist philosophy. Translated and introduced by Jack Zipes, one of the world s leading authorities on fairy tales, The Cloak of Dreams brings together sixteen of Balazs s unique and haunting stories. Written in 1921, these fairy tales were originally published with twenty images drawn in the Chinese style by painter Mariette Lydis, and this new edition includes a selection of Lydis s brilliant illustrations. Together, the tales and pictures accentuate the motifs and themes that run throughout Balazs s work: wandering...



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