

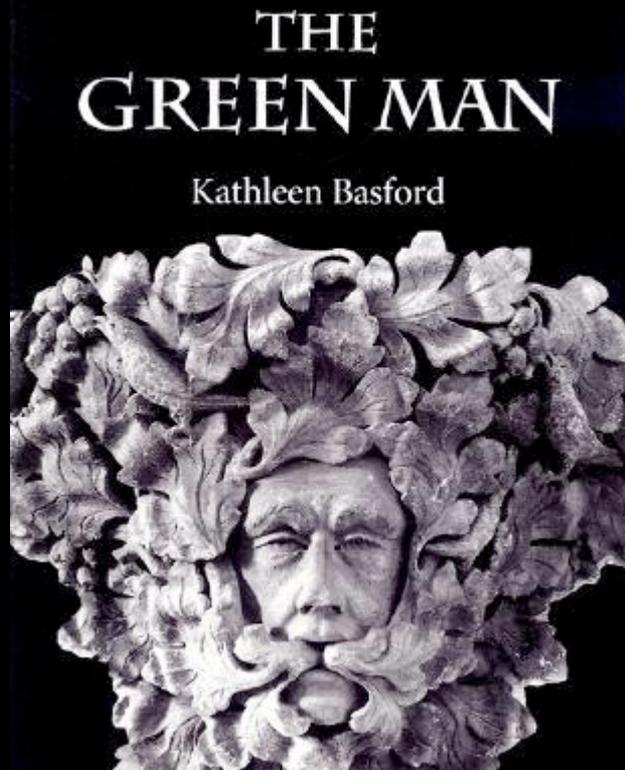
The Green Man

a Book Talk with
Sharon Brubaker

The Green Man: *Who is he?*



He's been a Mystery through the ages



The term “Green Man” was coined by Kathleen Basford in her book *The Green Man*.

She has an incredible gathering of photographs from around the world of the face with leaves or disgorging leaves.

But, there is no written record



As to why the face in the leaves persists to travel from culture to culture and time through the ages.

Many people don't think they have seen or heard of "The Green Man," but you may be surprised that he is pervasive in our everyday culture.

Have you seen or heard of *this* Green Man?



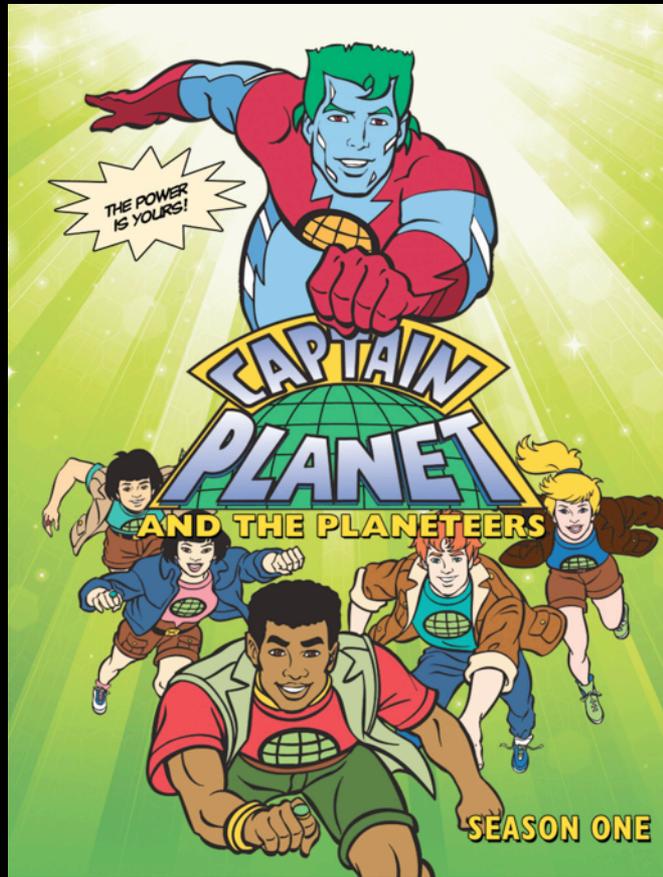
Or *this* Green Man...



Or *this* Green Man...



Or even *this* Green Man...



Perhaps you've seen the Green Man
while worshipping?



Or looking up in a city?



The Green Man is *Everywhere*

*As magical and as 'out there'
as it may sound, once you realize he's
there, you will see him everywhere.*

The Green Man represents *Birth, Death and Rebirth*



OR is he related to Father Earth
and the beginning of Spring?



He's celebrated with festivals and songs in many parts of the world...



He's a figure that can be found
in nearly every culture.



Most cultures have some sort of figure in their religion or folklore that represents...

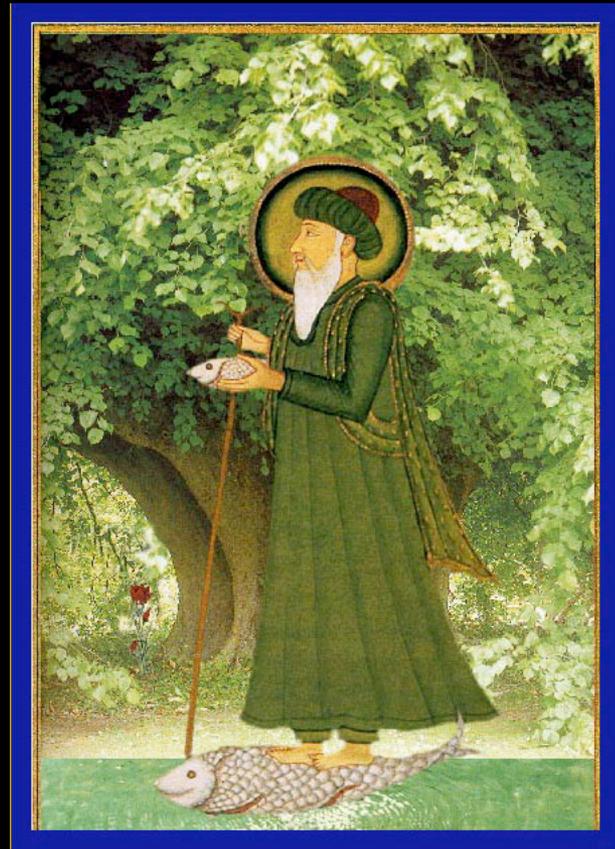
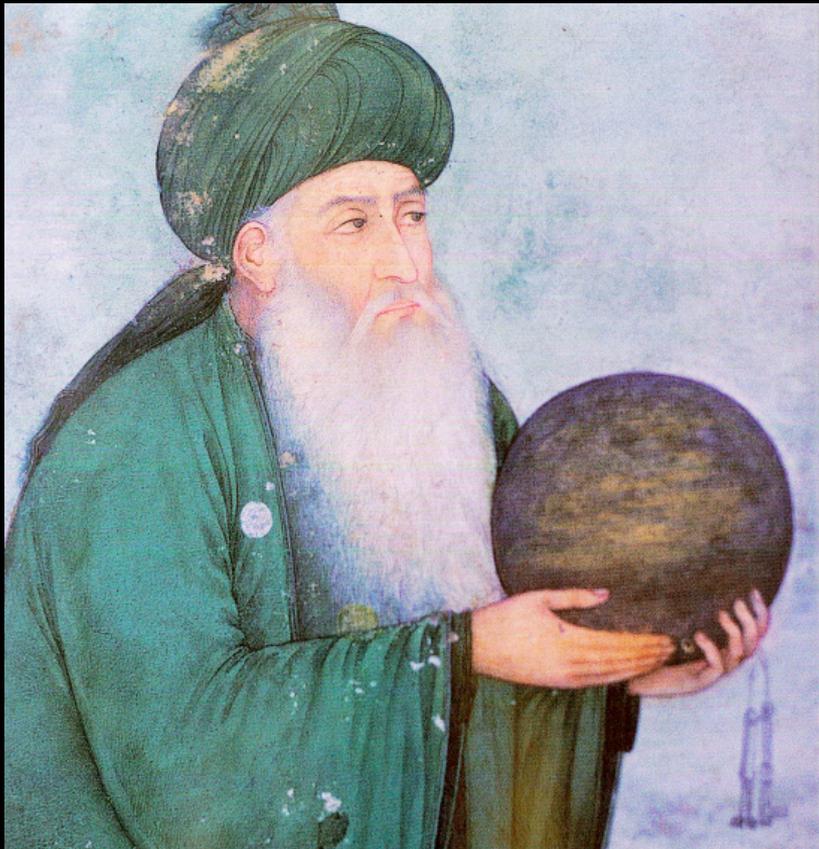


- Birth, Death and Rebirth
- The Coming of Spring...
- ...Or Death of winter
- A protector
- A guide

Even Buddha is a type of Green Man.
He was born in a tree.



In Islam, Al Khidr or 'The Green One' was a wise man who guided Moses.



The Green Man also appears in India.



**And in Indonesia as Apokayan,
*a forest guardian.***



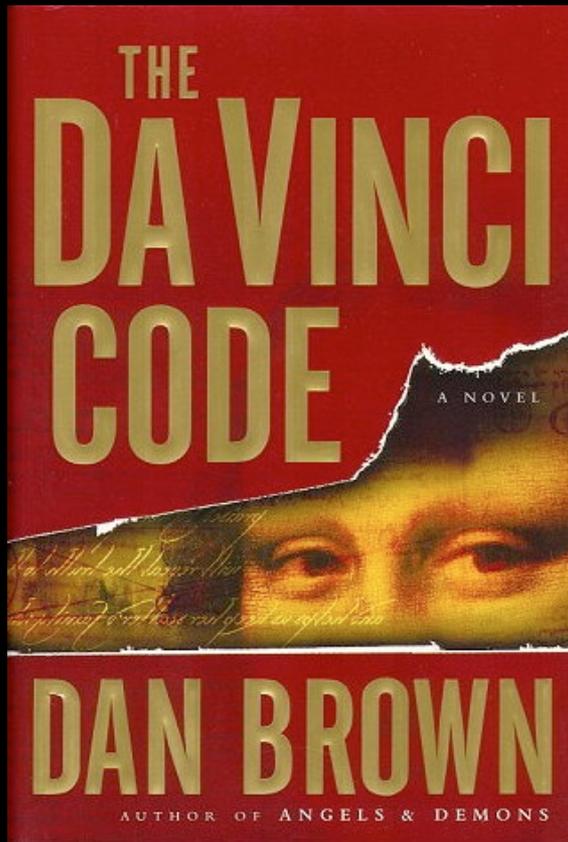
In Europe, as a recreation of St. George and the Dragon with Green George...



He was brought to Europe by
the *Knights of Templar*.



Remember the book and later movie,
The DaVinci Code?



In Dan Brown's *The DaVinci Code*...



- Character, Robert Langdon led him and Sophie Neveu in a mysterious and hair raising adventure to find the Holy Grail.
- They ended up at Rosslyn Chapel (a symbolic home of the Masons) and a church adorned with over 900 Green Men.

How and Why is the Green Man universal?



Mike Harding, one of the world's leading
Green Man gurus gives us insight...

He has an excellent
short video on [YouTube](#)

He is considered to be an *archetype*.



The Green Man is immortal and he is universal. We find him in myth, nature, literature, art, architecture, and part of environmental consciousness.

The Green Man *Remains*

A mysterious enigma, but like spirituality and religion, folk and fairytales, Star Trek, or a good book... he offers hope.