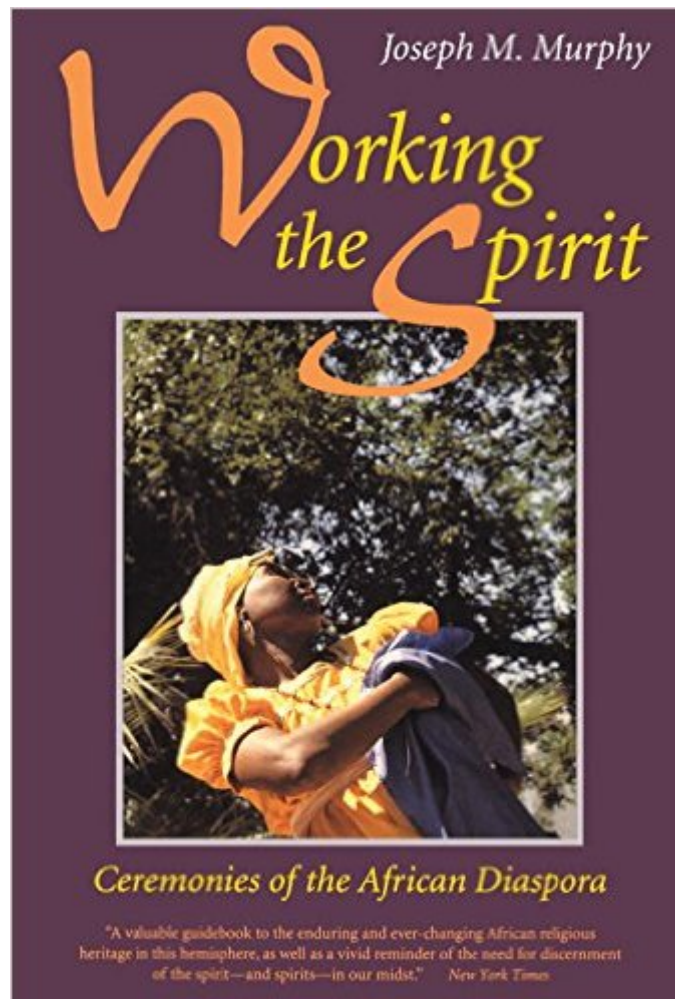


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First of all I really do like both of Joseph Murphy's books. This one and Santeria African Spirits in America. They speak truthfully, and are an excellent recourse of information for those who are curious in understanding the Lucumi Santeria Religion. Working the Spirits is a remarkable read, full of wisdom, and respect. "No he is not an Initiated priest of the Religion!" But Mr. Murphy writes with such respect, and one can tell he really researched the various Orisha religions, and grew to have a great respect and love for them. While I highly recommend Santeria African Spirits in America for those who want to have some knowledge of the Lucumi Religion, I also have to recommend Working the Spirits, as it goes into the Orisha sects of Candomble, Umbanda, Voodoo, Brujeria, and Espiritismo.

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