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Istanbul: Ottoman Bank Archives and Research Centre, 2005., Istanbul:, 2005. Soft cover. Condition: New. ELDEM, EDHEM Death in Istanbul: Death and its rituals in Ottoman - Islamic culture. Istanbul: Ottoman Bank Archives and Research Centre, 2005. 4to., 299, [1] p., color and b/w ill. Paperback. New ISBN: 9789759812522 CATALOG: Istanbul / Constantinople KEYWORDS: Ottoman society Death Cemetery Ottoman culture Necrology Islamic culture "The idea of an exhibition/catalogue on death may not sound very pleasant. After all, it is only natural to experience some discomfort, displeasure, anxiety, even disgust in the face of a phenomenon that may summon painful memories and provoke fears about the future. Yet, there is no denying that death, once tamed as an abstract notion or concept, can become a powerful tool for social analysis. It can thus become a fascinating area of study, likely to reveal much about the culture, mentalities and social structure of a given society. This is what this exhibition and its catalogue hope to attain. Their objective is to try to pinpoint, through hopefully representative examples, the ways in which death has been perceived by the Muslim population of Ottoman Istanbul throughout five centuries of existence, and to understand the role it...



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