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The Complete Quincy Jones: My Journey & Passions: Photos, Letters, Memories & More From Q's Personal Collection





Synopsis

Everything you love about American popular culture is Quincy Jones. As an artist and impresario Quincy Jones has been the creative catalyst for over 60 years of American cultural phenomena orchestrating the sounds of Frank Sinatra, setting the ambiance for Steven Spielberg, cultivating the talent of Michael Jackson, and introducing to the world Oprah Winfrey and Will Smith - to name a few. The Complete Quincy Jones examines the diverse virtuosity of Quincy Jones, celebrating his prolific contribution to American art and culture. Comprised of personal interviews and recollections with Jones, this collection peers behind the veil of celebrity, with extraordinary access to his creative inspirations and labors. Through private notebooks, correspondence, and photographs Jones offers unprecedented introspection into the depths of his creativity and the histories of his ventures. From the volumes of his memorabilia, Jones emerges as a contemplative and dynamic maestro, thriving on intuition and ceaselessly pursuing the soul of his art.

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Customer Reviews

I purchased this book with a birthday present gift card. It is beyond fabulous. The personal memorabilia that he has placed in the book is reproduced so well, that it seems like you actually have the real things at your disposal. I was so excited when I purchased the book and I was not disappointed at all. I am a great admirer of Mr. Jones because he is not only a musician and producer, but also, a composer and arranger. He defies stereotypes for African American musicians, yet he is quintessentially African American. He has embraced and arranged/composed

for all musical mediums. He has no limits to his reach and creativity. I have several biographies on musicians and this is by far the best one. The combination of pictures, writing, and memorabilia help to create an "experience" that goes beyond just reading a bio, or just looking at a coffee table book. I highly recommend the book to all fans of Quincy Jones, and to those who want to get a glimpse of how he collaborated with musicians and entertainers across all genres. I would also recommend the book to young musicians who aspire to greatness, they can get a glimpse of how great a life a musician and a committed humanitarian can have. "Q" is most definitely an American Icon and a national treasure.

I saw Quincy Jones in an interview on Tavis Smiley to promote this book. As soon as the interview was over I ordered this book for my husband, a Quincy Jones fan. This book is AMAZING! It is like a scrapbook of his life with reproduced items from his entire musical career. It is as unique as the musician, producer, composer it celebrates. This is truly a must have!

I have wanted this book for some time and finally bought it. I was not disappointed. I love Quincy Jones. I had the pleasure of meeting him at a book signing, at the EMP in Seattle, a number of years ago (I have the great photo to prove it) when his biography was released. He is so cool. I was also lucky to score some tickets to hear him talk and do a few question and answers with the audience as well (this event was held after the book signing at the EMP as well). We got there early so we could get great seats and before he came out I went up on stage and moved the table and two chairs closer to the audience. I just had to. I mean, it was a once-in-life experience for me and I wanted to be as close as I could. This book has great text, tons of wonderful pictures, and lots of extras. I am so glad I finally treated myself.

I do admire the man and his genius work. But the truth that I bough this book because of Michael Jackson. There was part that Quincy recalled about the making of Thriller and his time with Michael Jackson. Also, the story behind "We Are The World". Thank you Quincy for bringing out the best of Michael Jackson and many other artists.

Browsing through a quaint little bookshop in London, I came across this book and I just had to have it.I'm a big Quincy Jones fan, have read his autobiography and own a fair chunk of albums produced by him; his, other artistes, soundtracks, and others (like USA For Africa). This beautiful coffee table book is a must have for fans, and even non fans will find it interesting thanks to the

layout. You can pick up from any section of the book, and go back or forth at will. The book is an autobiography of sorts, laden with photos, from photos of albums he produced (for Michael Jackson, Frank Sinatra, Donna Summer, Ray Charles, Leslie Gore and Lena Horne, to mention a few), to awards won, family photos, photos of newspaper clippings, (including reproductions of his scholarship award letter from Schillinger House in 1950 and also his spring semester grades: 7 As, 3 Bs, his letter of invitation to Mandela's inauguration, the 12" single of "We Are The World" all attached scrap book-style), countless photos with celebrities (Desmond Tutu, Mandela, Halle Berry, Angelique Kidjo, Alex Haley, Pope John Paul II, Oprah, Tiger Woods, Marvin Gaye, Celine Dion, and Hilary Clinton, to mention a few). It also touches on his humanitarian works, and includes a preface by Maya Angelou, a foreword by Clint Eastwood, introduction by Bono, and an afterword from his close friend Sidney Poitier. This book gives one an intimate look into Q's life through personal letters, interviews, photos, and other memorabilia. An absolutely brilliant idea!

Despite 2 of the 3 books i ordered came without the shrink wrap...Mr.Jones book is worth a Million times more than what i paid for...I have my own copy but i bought it for freinds...will continue to buy some more for some more friends for x mas...Thank you...

This is a wonderful review of his life. It has the actual copies of notesm music and other important information. I purchased one for myself and then order two (2) more for my son and son-in-law. Great for gifts.

Having spent most of my adult lifetime in the music industry and as well having worked for almost twenty years at WB, involved (promotion) in a number of Quincy Jones' projects, I thought I had a pretty good handle on the man, his music and his career. After spending quality time with this book, I stand corrected. This book gives the reader and amazingly deep view of all parts of this amazing man's life and in doing so I find new depth in all of his work. Regardless of your musical preferences, this is a must read book and one you will return to again and again long after your first read through...

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