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Put on your dancing shoes and move to the music. Rock and roll sprang from a combination of African-American genres, Western swing, and country music that exploded in post World War II America. Jim O'Connor explains what constitutes rock music, follows its history and sub-genres through famous musicians and groups, and shows how rock became so much more than just a style of music influencing fashion, language, and lifestyle. This entry in the New York Times best-selling series contains eighty illustrations and sixteen pages of black and white photographs.

History of Rock 'n' Roll in Ten Songs

The legendary critic and author of Mystery Train "ingeniously retells the tale of rock and roll" (Publishers Weekly, starred review). Unlike previous versions of rock 'n' roll history, this book omits almost every iconic performer and ignores the storied events and turning points everyone knows. Instead, in a daring stroke, Greil Marcus selects ten songs and dramatizes how each embodies rock 'n' roll as a thing in itself, in the story it tells, inhabits, and acts out—a new language, something new under the sun. "Transmission" by Joy Division. "All I Could Do Was Cry" by Etta James and then Beyoncé. "To Know Him Is to Love Him," first by the Teddy Bears and almost half a century later by Amy Winehouse. In Marcus's hands these and other songs tell the story of the music, which is, at bottom, the story of the desire for freedom in all its unruly and liberating glory. Slipping the constraints of chronology, Marcus braids together past and present, holding up to the light the ways that these striking songs fall through time and circumstance, gaining momentum and meaning, astonishing us by upending our presumptions and prejudices. This book, by a founder of contemporary rock criticism—and its most gifted and incisive practitioner—is destined to become an enduring classic. "One of the epic figures in rock writing."—The New York Times Book Review "Marcus is our greatest cultural critic, not only because of what he says but also, as with rock-and-roll itself, how he says it."—The Washington Post Winner of the Deems Taylor Virgil Thomson Award in Music Criticism, given by the American Society of Composers, Authors & Publishers

The Secret History of Rock 'n' Roll

Sex. Drugs. Loud music. Wild costumes. Dazzling light shows. These words can all describe a great rock concert or a hot dance club, but they were also part and parcel of the ancient cultural phenomenon known as the "Mystery religions." In this book, author Christopher Knowles shows how the Mystery religions got a secular reincarnation when a new musical form called rock 'n' roll burst onto the scene. The Secret History of Rock 'n' Roll traces the history of the Mysteries — their rise, their fall, and their survival through long centuries of repression. Knowles shows how the Mysteries prefigured subcultures as diverse as Santeria, Freemasonry, Mardi Gras and even the Holiness churches of the American frontier, and explains exactly how ancient rituals and music found their way to the New World. In the process, The Secret History of Rock 'n' Roll traces the development of rock's most popular genres such as punk and heavy metal, and reveals how many of rock's most iconic artists play the same archetypal roles as the ancient gods. You'll see how many of the rituals and customs and even musical styles of our postmodern society have stunning ancient parallels. You'll meet history's first pop

What was the First Rock 'n' Roll Record?

Using the essentially rhetorical (some might say theological) question: \"What was the first rock 'n' roll

record?\" as its starting point, this unique book nominates 50 records for the honor, beginning with an early live recording, \"Blues, Part 2\" (1944) and ending with Elvis Presley's \"Heartbreak Hotel\" (1956). Forewords by Billy Vera and Dave Marsh.

Rock And Roll

Now updated with two new chapters and an extraordinary collection of photographs, this second edition of Paul Friedlander's Rock and Roll: A Social History is a smash hit. The social force of rock and roll music leaps off the page as Paul Friedlander provides impressive insights based on hits from Johnny B. Goode to Smells Like Teen Spirit and beyond. In this musical journey, Friedlander offers the melodious strains and hard-edged riffs of Elvis, the Beatles, The Who, Dylan, Clapton, Hendrix, Motown, the San Francisco Beat, Punk, New Wave, rap, metal, 90s grunge, plus file sharing, and much more. The book is written in a refreshing, captivating style that pulls the reader in, offering no less than a complete social and cultural history of rock and roll for students and general audiences alike. Friedlander writes, 'This book chronicles the first forty years of rock/pop music history. Picture the various musical styles as locations on a giant unfolding road map. As you open the map, you travel from place to place, stopping at each chapter to sample the artistry. Don't forget to dress your imagination appropriately for this trip, because each genre is affected by the societal topography and climate that surround it. Enjoy your trip. We promise it will be a good one!'

Rolling Stone Encyclopedia of Rock & Roll

Completely updated with new entries and extensive revisions of the previous 1,800, The Rolling Stone Encyclopedia Of Rock & Roll is the authoritative volume on the world's music makers—from the one-hit wonders to the megastars. In 1983, Rolling Stone Press introduced its first Rock & Roll Encyclopedia. Almost two decades later, it has become the premier guide to the history of rock & roll, and has been selected by the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame & Museum as its official source of information. Giving full coverage to all aspects of the rock scene, it tells the story of rock & roll in a clear and easy reference format, including complete discographies, personnel changes for every band, and backstage information like date and place of birth, from Elvis Presley to Eminem. Since the last edition, the music scene has exploded in every area, from boy-bands to hip-hop, electronica to indie rock. Here, the Encyclopedia explores them all—'NSync, Notorious B.I.G., Ricky Martin, Radiohead, Britney Spears, Blink-182, Sean "Puffy" Combs, Portishead, Fatboy Slim, Fiona Apple, Lil' Kim, Limp Bizkit, Oasis, Outkast, Yo La Tengo, TLC, and many, many more. The Rolling Stone Encyclopedia of Rock & Roll, Third Edition includes all the facts, phenomena, and flukes that make up the history of rock. Accompanying the biographical and discographical information on the nearly 2,000 artists included in this edition are incisive essays that reveal the performers' musical influences, first breaks, and critical and commercial hits and misses, as well as evaluations of their place in rock history. Filled with hundreds of historical photos, The Rolling Stone Encyclopedia is more than just a reference book, it is the bible of rock & roll.

Hollywood Rock

Offers reviews, comments, and production credits for films about rock music, musicals with rock scores, movies featuring rock stars as actors, rock documentaries, and films with influential rock soundtracks.

How The Beatles Destroyed Rock 'n' Roll

How the Beatles Destroyed Rock 'n' Roll is an alternative history of American music that, instead of recycling the familiar cliches of jazz and rock, looks at what people were playing, hearing and dancing to over the course of the 20th century, using a wealth of original research, curious quotations, and an irreverent fascination with the oft-despised commercial mainstream.

A History of Rock Music

A History of Rock Music: The Rock & Roll Era is a celebration of the roots of rock & roll and its emergence as the soundtrack to teenage rebellion and a liberatingly raucous, joyous and rebellious music for one especially fortunate generation. The book is a lovingly detailed examination of the pre-Beatles 1950's era of classic rock & roll, with special attention devoted to the music's varied musical influences, most notably the Blues, Country & Western, Gospel Music, Boogie-Woogie and Rhythm & Blues. It is both a detailed history and a musical appreciation of America's greatest artistic gift to the world.

If Rock and Roll Were a Machine

New York Times bestselling author Terry Davis offers the critically acclaimed "powerful story about a teenager's search for self-esteem" (Booklist, starred review). When an elementary school teacher's criticisms turn Bert Bowden from a bright, popular boy into a self-conscious, awkward one, everyone is shocked. Bert is determined to regain his old confidence and become somebody great, but will he be able to overcome the silence of adolescent solitude? This inspiring coming-of-age story, which takes place twenty years after Vision Quest, reminds us that the growing pains of adolescence are the price we pay must for finding happiness as we grow older.

Rock 'n' Roll London

Travelling through London's most influential and key areas from the outer limits of suburbia right through to the heartland of Soho and Carnaby Street, this guide takes an intimate musical journey right to the very core of London's rock 'n' roll heritage. It takes you through the key areas of the city from the skiffle bands of the 50s through the beat, punk, psychedelia, Britpop, mods and rockers and club music - the quintessential bands, venues, places and events that shaped the trail-blazing pop history of the capital of cool.

So You Think You Know Rock and Roll?

Test your knowledge of the most important era of rock music. Rolling Stone magazine recently released its list of the 100 greatest albums in rock music history, a period spanning more than fifty years. Nearly 60 percent of those albums were released in the decade from 1965 to 1975—the golden age of classic rock. This book is a wide-ranging portrait of that transformative and remarkable time, from the dawn of the singer-songwriter era to days before disco. This book is presented in a question-and-answer format, but it is hardly a "trivia" book. It covers such diverse topics as censorship, chart phenomena, album covers, rock groupies, manufactured bands, one-hit wonders, rock festivals, supergroups, novelty songs, and the Beatles. All of the major figures of the '60s and '70s are here: Cream, CCR, Jimi Hendrix, Joni Mitchell, Simon and Garfunkel, the Who, the Rolling Stones, Led Zeppelin, Bruce Springsteen, Queen, Neil Young, the Eagles, the Allman Brothers, Lynyrd Skynyrd, Stevie Wonder, Elton John, Linda Ronstadt, Pink Floyd, Billy Joel, Marvin Gaye, David Bowie, James Taylor, Carole King, Aretha Franklin, Lou Reed, Carly Simon, Laura Nyro, and many others. Exhaustively researched, So You Think You Know Rock and Roll? is filled with "I never knew that!" moments on every page.

The Story of Rap

From Grandmaster Flash to Jay-Z rap has shaped generations and transformed the charts. Bop along with the greats in this adorable baby book that introduces little ones to the rappers that started it all.

History of Rock and Roll

History of rock and roll includes: biographical information on past and present musicians, composers, bands, producers, and record executives; analyses of evolutionary rock styles from before the 1950s to the present,

including a list of the most seminal recordings from each style; an album-by-album review of ... the Beatles and Bob Dylan; an audio CD containing twenty notable recordings in rock, with a synopsis of each.

Rock 'n' Roll Unravelled

Considering the work of such artists as Madonna, George Clinton, U2, Elvis Costello, and Nirvana, the contributors deftly combine the rigors of scholarship with the energy of rock journalism to provide an analysis at once critical, contextualized, and enthusiastic. While a number of scholars have recently turned their attention to rock and pop music, most of their work has focused on providing sweeping cultural contexts for its popularity rather than exploring the music itself. Now, in Reading Rock and Roll, Kevin Dettmar and William Richey have gathered a wealth of erudite, original, and clever writings that perform close readings of rock music--often with surprising results. The authors in this volume view rock and roll as having had affinities with postmodernism from its inception. With its mongrel pedigree--drawing on blues, folk, R and B, and bluegrass--and its relation to mass media and high-tech modes of production, rock music has been self-conscious and full of irony from the beginning. These essays regularly call attention to the allusiveness and intertextuality of rock and roll, whether it is Kurt Cobain undermining the Beatles, M. C. Hammer stealing from Rick James's \"Super Freak,\" or U2's use of Johnny Cash's legendary voice. From a careful examination of the roles of addictions and female sexuality in the remakings of Courtney Love and Madonna, to the politics of George Clinton's uses and abuses of language, to the referencing of Elvis Costello in two recent novels and the use of 1970s rock in several recent film soundtracks, these essays are as varied as the artists they consider. Informal and theoretically informed, Reading Rock and Roll is an important investigation of the music that more than any other has defined our century.

Reading Rock and Roll

Traces the history of rock and roll music from the 1950s to the present day and discusses its changing styles and leading personalities.

The History of Rock and Roll

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Rock and Roll

Since its release in 1971, Don McLean's song \"American Pie\" has become an indelible part of U.S. culture. It has sparked countless debates about the references within the lyrics; been celebrated as a chronicle of American life from the late 1950s through the early 1970s; and has become iconic itself as it has been remade, parodied, and referenced within numerous texts and forums. This volume offers a set of new essays that focus on the cultural and historical significance of the song. Representing a variety of perspectives and fields of study, the essays address such topics as historical and literary interpretations of the song's lyrics, its musical qualities, the commentary the song offers on rock and roll history, the continuing significance of the song, and the ways in which the song has been used by various writers and artists. Instructors considering this book for use in a course may request an examination copy here.

Do You Believe in Rock and Roll?

Rock 'n' Roll Movies presents an eclectic look at the many manifestations of rock in motion pictures, from teen-oriented B-movies to Hollywood blockbusters to avant-garde meditations to reverent biopics to animated shorts to performance documentaries. Acclaimed film critic David Sterritt considers the diverse ways that filmmakers have regarded rock 'n' roll, some cynically cashing in on its popularity and others responding to the music as sincere fans, some depicting rock as harmless fun and others representing it as an open challenge to mainstream norms.

Rock 'n' Roll Movies

Chronicles the history of blues music from its emergence in the early 1900s through the twentieth century, and describes the musical accomplishments of Leadbelly, Bessie Smith, Howlin' Wolf, Robert Johnson, Muddy Waters, Jimmy Reed, B.B. King, and others. Includes an audio CD.

The Golden Age of Rock 'N' Roll

When rock 'n' roll began its ascendancy in the 1950s the older generation saw it as dangerous, renegade, threatening the moral stability of a nation. Young people saw it as freedom, and most importantly, as their music. The teenage revolution was here, This book, first published in 1982, traces the roots of this cultural transformation, its emergence in rock 'n' roll and other media, and shows just how violent the confrontation was by looking at contemporary newspaper reports.

Rock 'n' Roll

\"Rock 'n' Roll spans the years from 1968 to 1990 from the double perspective of Prague, where a rock 'n' roll band comes to symbolise resistance to the Communist regime, and of Cambridge where the verities of love and death are shaping the lives of three generations in the family of a Marxist philosopher.\" \"Rock 'n' Roll premiered at The Royal Court Theatre, London, in June 2006.\" --Book Jacket.

Rock 'n' Roll

Why are people getting fatter? Why do so many rock stars end up dead at 27? Is there any hope of curbing

population growth, rampant consumerism and the environmental devastation they wreak? Evolutionary biologist Rob Brooks argues that the origins of these twenty-first century problems can be found where the ancient forces of evolution collide w...

Sex Genes and Rock 'n' Roll

Sex and Drugs Before the Rock 'n' Rollis a fascinating volume that presents an engaging overview of what it was like to be young and male in the Dutch Golden Age. Here, well-known cohorts of Rembrandt are examined for the ways in which they expressed themselves by defying conservative values and norms. This study reveals how these young men rebelled, breaking from previous generations: letting their hair grow long, wearing colorful clothing, drinking excessively, challenging city guards, being promiscuous, smoking, and singing lewd songs. Cogently argued, this study paints a compelling portrait of the youth culture of the Dutch Golden Age, at a time when the rising popularity of print made dissemination of new cultural ideas possible, while rising incomes and liberal attitudes created a generation of men behaving badly.

Sex and Drugs Before Rock 'n' Roll

Rock music, since its pre-history in blues, country music and 40s and early 50s pop, through to the well-publicised excesses of touring bands of today, has left a legacy of thousands of weird and wonderful stories in its wake. We've all read about the Who's Keith Moon driving a Rolls Royce into a hotel swimming pool, but far more bizarre tales of on-the-road mayhem have never been widely told. Likewise, Svengali-like managers have manipulated starstruck musicians since rock began, though hanging your well-known client from a third floor window was a less usual way of ensuring their loyalty. And just where was the stalled hotel lift in which all four Beatles, according to legend, were turned on to marijuana? There are the unsung heroes of rock – pioneering eccentrics who helped make the music what it is and ended up as mere footnotes in the history books. Men such as UK producer Joe Meek who created seminal classics from a bed-sit above a cleaners on the Holloway Road, and the New York DJ who originally coined the phrase 'rock 'n'roll' and died in alcoholic poverty. Not to mention the stories behind the stars: when Debbie Harry was a 'Playboy' Bunny, Paul Simon wrote 'Homeward Bound' on Widnes railway station in Lancashire, and the Gallagher brothers (so they claim) were petty thieves.

Rock'n'Roll's Strangest Moments

Text and Drugs and Rock'n'Roll explores the interaction between two of the most powerful socio-cultural movements in the post-war years - the literary forces of the Beat Generation and the musical energies of rock and its attendant culture. Simon Warner examines the interweaving strands, seeded by the poet/novelists Jack Kerouac, Allen Ginsberg, William Burroughs and others in the 1940s and 1950s, and cultivated by most of the major rock figures who emerged after 1960 - Bob Dylan, the Beatles, Bowie, the Clash and Kurt Cobain, to name just a few. This fascinating cultural history delves into a wide range of issues: Was rock culture the natural heir to the activities of the Beats? Were the hippies the Beats of the 1960s? What attitude did the Beat writers have towards musical forms and particularly rock music? How did literary works shape the consciousness of leading rock music-makers and their followers? Why did Beat literature retain its cultural potency with later rock musicians who rejected hippie values? How did rock musicians use the material of Beat literature in their own work? How did Beat figures become embroiled in the process of rock creativity? These questions are addressed through a number of approaches - the influence of drugs, the relevance of politics, the effect of religious and spiritual pursuits, the rise of the counter-culture, the issue of sub-cultures and their construction, and so on. The result is a highly readable history of the innumerable links between two of the most revolutionary artistic movements of the last 60 years.

Text and Drugs and Rock 'n' Roll

This monster Rock-n-Roll survey focuses on the songs and the vibrant personalities who create them, for

college audiences and the general public. Dean published the world's first history of Rock in 1966. Here, in his ebullient style, he buzzes through piles of musical singles from the whole last half century, describing what is fun about each major and minor hit, pointing out what elements were exciting or new or significant in the development of musical styles. He relates some tantalizing tidbits about the earlier musical heritage that artists have drawn upon in crafting ever more amazing evolutions of rock music. This snappy, witty and informative album has universal appeal, doubling as a coffee-table trivia treasure and a college-level popular music history text. It includes hundreds of photos, chapter questions, and an extensive index. Reader-friendly and informationally complete, it covers soft rock, heavy metal, rhythm & blues, country rock and classic oldies, all with tender loving care, for the specialist and casual listener alike. Its mini-portraits of the artists who move so many hearts (and feet), the photos and the insightful sound bites get to the essence of each song and each musician's contribution to the music of our age. The single-song focus makes the book unique. It's a playlist for R'n'R professors and the general public, written with a collegiate vocabulary, tight organization and a respect for all. \"Hearing Elvis for the first time was like busting out of jail.\" - Bob Dylan That being said, no one is being incited, here, to bust out of jail or to emulate the quixotic habits of rock stars. \"There's nothing in here to hide from the kids, the clergy or grandma.\" Gold Rush can be used as a university or community college text, but most people will grab it for the sheer pleasure of reading about everyone's favorites. Great gift for Rock enthusiasts. Gold Rush is the first book of its kind to feature a celebration of the great single songs of the rock era and beyond. Gold Rush takes thousands of songs, spanning three centuries, and brings them back uniquely as if they came out just yesterday. Gold Rush unites the Anglo-American and later worldwide spirit of Rock and Roll in a tapestry of interconnected melodies and adventures. As Leonard Maltin's Movie Guide helps you select videos at Blockbuster, so Gold Rush is a powerful playlist for your music collection, with many new and fascinating photos of favorite stars. Gold Rush explains the most important stories behind the songs you picked to be played, the songs that 'went gold,' from the 1897 Alaska/Klondike Gold Rush to the #1 songs of today and beyond.

Rock N Roll Gold Rush

From the late-1970s to the late-1980s rock music in Yugoslavia had an important social and political purpose of providing a popular cultural outlet for the unique forms of socio-cultural critique that engaged with the realities and problems of life in Yugoslav society. The three music movements that emerged in this period - New Wave, New Primitives, and New Partisans - employed the understanding of rock music as the 'music of commitment' (i.e. as socio-cultural praxis premised on committed social engagement) to articulate the critiques of the country's 'new socialist culture', with the purpose of helping to eliminate the disconnect between the ideal and the reality of socialist Yugoslavia. This book offers an analysis of the three music movements and their particular brand of 'poetics of the present' in order to explore the movements' specific forms of socio-cultural engagement with Yugoslavia's 'new socialist culture' and demonstrate that their cultural praxis was oriented towards the goal of realizing the genuine Yugoslav socialist-humanist community 'in the true measure of man'. Thus, the book's principal argument is that the driving force behind the music of commitment was, although critical, a fundamentally constructive disposition towards the progressive ideal of socialist Yugoslavia.

Rock 'n Roll Santa

Go Go Rock: The Golden Age of American Rock 'n' Roll is the definitive guide to the golden age of rock 'n' roll. This comprehensive volume covers the origins of rock 'n' roll, the major artists and bands of the era, and the impact of rock 'n' roll on popular culture. The book is divided into 10 chapters, each of which covers a different aspect of rock 'n' roll history. The first chapter provides an overview of the origins of rock 'n' roll, while the second chapter discusses the rise of Elvis Presley and the birth of rock 'n' roll in New York City. The third chapter examines the British Invasion, while the fourth chapter discusses the Motown Sound and the surf rock craze. The fifth chapter covers the decline of rock 'n' roll in the late 1960s and early 1970s, while the sixth chapter discusses the revival of rock 'n' roll in the 1970s and 1980s. The seventh chapter provides an overview of the great rock 'n' roll bands, while the eighth chapter discusses the great rock 'n' roll

songs. The ninth chapter discusses the great rock 'n' roll performers, and the tenth chapter discusses the great rock 'n' roll moments. Go Go Rock: The Golden Age of American Rock 'n' Roll is packed with information and insights, and it is a must-read for any fan of rock 'n' roll. Pasquale De Marco has written a book that is both comprehensive and entertaining, and it is sure to please readers of all ages. Whether you're a lifelong fan of rock 'n' roll or just curious about its history, Go Go Rock: The Golden Age of American Rock 'n' Roll is the perfect book for you. This comprehensive volume covers everything you need to know about the golden age of rock 'n' roll, from its origins to its impact on popular culture. Go Go Rock: The Golden Age of American Rock 'n' Roll is the definitive guide to the golden age of rock 'n' roll. This comprehensive volume covers the origins of rock 'n' roll, the major artists and bands of the era, and the impact of rock 'n' roll on popular culture. Go Go Rock: The Golden Age of American Rock 'n' Roll is a must-read for any fan of rock 'n' roll. If you like this book, write a review on google books!

Shake, Rattle and Roll: Yugoslav Rock Music and the Poetics of Social Critique

Rock 'n' roll infuses the everyday life of the American adult, but for the first, complete generation of rock 'n' roll fans—baby boomers born between 1946 and 1964—it holds a special kind of value, playing a social personality-defining role that is unique to this group. Based on 18 years of sociological research and 52 years of rock 'n' roll fandom, Baby Boomer Rock 'n' Roll Fans: The Music Never Ends draws on data collected from participant observations and interviews with artists, fans, and producers to explore our aging rock culture through the filter of symbolic interactionist theory. As author Joseph Kotarba notes, the "purpose in writing this book is to describe sociologically the many ways people in our society who were raised on rock'n'roll music and its cultural baggage have continued to use the rock'n'roll idiom to make sense of, celebrate, and master everyday life—through adulthood and for the rest of their lives." Sociological concepts of the "self" are the key organizing feature of this book, as each chapter engages with sociological ideas to explain how baby boomers use popular music to explore, sculpt, fulfill, and ultimately make sense of who they are in different contexts. Kotarba looks at baby boomers as individuals and parents, as political actors and religious adherents, social beings and aging members of American society, detailing throughout how rock 'n' roll provides a groundwork for establishing and maintaining both private and public sense of self. Baby Boomer Rock 'n' Roll Fans will interest scholars and students of music and sociology and American popular culture.

Go Go Rock: The Golden Age of American Rock 'n' Roll

A raucous cultural history of rock's relationship with the moving image. When rock 'n' roll burst into life in the 1950s, the shockwaves echoed around the world, amplified by images of untamed youth projected on cinema screens. But for the performers themselves, corporate showbusiness remained very much in control, contriving a series of cash-in movies to exploit the new musical fad. In this riveting cultural history, John Scanlan explores rock's relationship with the moving image over seven decades in cinema, television, music videos, advertising, and YouTube. Along the way, he shows how rock was exploited, how it inspired film pioneers, and, not least, the film transformations it caused over more than half a century. From Elvis Presley to David Bowie, and from Scorpio Rising to the films of Scorsese and DIY documentarists like Don Letts, this is a unique retelling of the story of rock—from birth to old age—through its onscreen life.

Baby Boomer Rock 'n' Roll Fans

This book sets out to explore the connections between megalithic monuments and Rock 'n' Roll music by first addressing what the megalithic structures would have originally meant to the builders and users of these sites and at the statements they were making at that time. It then looks at how Rock 'n' Roll artists have incorporated images of these monuments into album cover designs by looking at specific examples, in an attempt to understand why, despite being separated by millennia from the original builders, they chose to use such places to represent the statements they are making through their music in the late 20th and early 21st centuries.

Rock 'n' Roll Plays Itself

Rock and roll was born in the United States during the 1950s. Its popularity rapidly grew, spreading across the Atlantic to England. The Brits transformed rock, bringing it back to the States in a new form with the British Invasion. Since that time, the two countries have dominated headlines and histories, in terms of rock music. What's often forgotten in these histories is the evolution of Canadian rock and roll during the same period. Over the years, a huge contingent of Canadian artists has made invaluable contributions to rock and roll. The list of innovative Canadian artists is quite impressive: Neil Young, Joni Mitchell, Paul Anka, Arcade Fire, The Band, Bryan Adams, Rush, Leonard Cohen, Celine Dion, Diana Krall, Gordon Lightfoot, Sarah McLachlan, Alanis Morissette, Tegan and Sara, Feist, Nickelback, and many others, not to mention the all-star producers, such as Daniel Lanois (U2, Bob Dylan, Peter Gabriel), Bob Rock (Metallica, Aerosmith, Bon Jovi), Bob Ezrin (Pink Floyd, Alice Cooper, Kiss), and David Foster (Michael Jackson, Celine Dion). The history of Canadian rock and roll is a lively, entertaining, and largely untold tale. Bob Mersereau presents a streamlined, informative trip through the country's rich history and depth of talent, from the 1950s to today, covering such topics as: Toronto's club scene, the folk rock and psychedelic rock of the 1960s, Canadian artists who hit major stardom in the United States, the challenges and reform of the Canadian broadcasting system, the huge hits of the 1970s, Canadian artists' presence all over the pop charts in the 1990s, and Canada's indie-rock renaissance of the 2000s.

How the Neolithics Influenced Rock 'n' Roll

A Social History of Early Rock 'n' Roll in Germany explores the people and spaces of St. Pauli's rock'n'roll scene in the 1960s. Starting in 1960, young British rockers were hired to entertain tourists in Hamburg's redlight district around the Reeperbahn in the area of St. Pauli. German youths quickly joined in to experience the forbidden thrill of rock'n'roll, and used African American sounds to distance themselves from the old Nazi generation. In 1962 the Star Club opened and drew international attention for hosting some of the Beatles' most influential performances. In this book, Julia Sneeringer weaves together this story of youth culture with histories of sex and gender, popular culture, media, and subculture. By exploring the history of one locale in depth, Sneeringer offers a welcome contribution to the scholarly literature on space, place, sound and the city, and pays overdue attention to the impact that Hamburg had upon music and style. She is also careful to place performers such as The Beatles back into the social, spatial, and musical contexts that shaped them and their generation. This book reveals that transnational encounters between musicians, fans, entrepreneurs and businessmen in St. Pauli produced a musical style that provided emotional and physical liberation and challenged powerful forces of conservatism and conformity with effects that transformed the world for decades to come.

The History of Canadian Rock 'n' Roll

Prepare to embark on a musical odyssey like no other with Echo Chamber: The Story of a Rock-n-Roll Soul. This comprehensive and captivating book takes you on a journey through the heart and soul of rock-n-roll, from its humble beginnings to its global dominance. Within these pages, you'll discover the stories behind the legendary artists, the groundbreaking albums, and the cultural movements that have shaped this iconic genre. From the electrifying birth of rock-n-roll in the 1950s to the raw energy of punk and grunge, Echo Chamber chronicles rock-n-roll's transformative moments with meticulous detail and infectious enthusiasm. Delve into the artistry of rock-n-roll's most influential bands, including The Beatles, The Rolling Stones, Led Zeppelin, and Nirvana. Explore their music, their cultural significance, and their lasting impact on the world. Beyond these icons, discover the diverse subgenres and movements that have enriched the rock-n-roll tapestry, from the soulful sounds of Motown to the progressive experimentation of the 1970s, from the explosive energy of heavy metal to the introspective lyrics of alternative rock. Echo Chamber shines a light on the pioneers, the innovators, and the rule-breakers who have pushed the boundaries of rock-n-roll, expanding its horizons and inspiring generations of musicians. Witness the cultural impact of rock-n-roll, its role in social movements, and its enduring ability to reflect and shape the human experience. This book is not just a historical account;

it's an immersive experience that will leave you captivated, enlightened, and filled with a newfound appreciation for the enduring power of rock-n-roll. Whether you're a lifelong aficionado or a curious newcomer, Echo Chamber promises a journey that will resonate with your soul. If you like this book, write a review on google books!

A Social History of Early Rock 'n' Roll in Germany

Australia's first rock 'n' roll "riot" is reported to have occurred at Brisbane's Stadium in November 1956 at about the same time as the Olympic Games were being opened in Melbourne. It heralded the beginning of a period of upheaval for the city and its inhabitants. Police, court and newspaper reports indicate a time of unrest, a time when the bodgie threat in Brisbane streets had to be beaten and rockers stopped from dancing in the aisles at the pictures and at rock 'n' roll concerts. Actions ranging from murder to taking eggs from the cages of prize poultry at the Brisbane exhibition were attributed to those who could be identified by the authorities as being associated with the rock 'n' roll movement. But not everybody took things so seriously. For many teenagers, the late 1950s was a time of great excitement, a time when the voices of young people began to be heard and make a difference. This book tells, through the memories of some of the people involved, of those voices and of that excitement.

Echo Chamber: The Story of a Rock-n-Roll Soul

A rock-and-roll infused Haggadah that brings the intertwined history of Judaism and music to your Seder table. Passover is one of the most celebrated Jewish holidays. Families all over the world gather around the dining table to recite the story of the Exodus from Egypt, honor the freedom of the Jewish people, and look toward the future. The Rock 'N' Roll Haggadah shares the traditional biblical stories and rituals of a standard Haggadah, but it also includes a rich tapestry of anecdotes that speak to the influence of Judaism on artists and their music, and its culinary, historical, and anthropological impact. Throughout the book, which features English, Hebrew, and transliterations, you'll find vibrant illustrations and little-known rock and roll references that lightheartedly tie into the narratives of the "Ten Plagues," "Forty Years in the Desert," "Elijah's Cup," and more. It also includes fun DIY projects such as making a rock-and-roll Egyptian centerpiece and a record album Seder plate, as well as suggestions for a Passover playlist that will enhance any Seder. Whether you're hosting or attending a Seder, the book's wide range of musicians and songs will spark conversations among all generations at the table and provide a fantastic soundtrack for any Passover celebration.

Brisbane's Early Rock 'n' Roll

Russia 'n' Roll! By Richard Hume Richard Hume is a British Teddy Boy who has loved and supported rock 'n' roll his entire life. He continues to organise free rock 'n' roll concerts and dance classes in Moscow, where he works as a school teacher. His monthly column, Russia 'n' Roll, can be found in the U.K. publication, "Maggie's Blue Suede News."

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