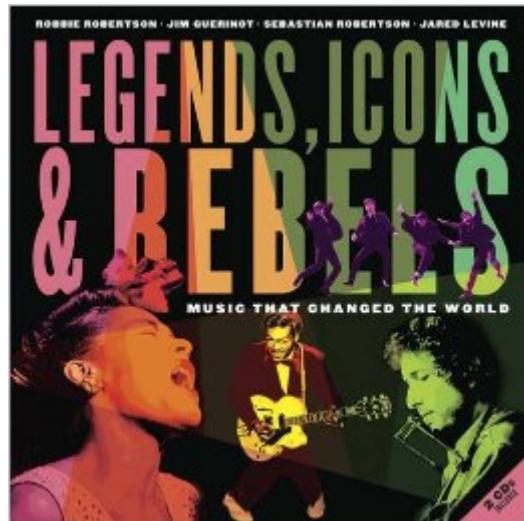


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Legends, Icons & Rebels: Music That Changed The World



Synopsis

Exclusive insights from a celebrated musician and passionate industry insiders, two accompanying CDs of legendary tracks and beautiful packaging make for a book with broad appeal -- one that will captivate fans of Robbie Robertson and music lovers of all ages. Part memoir, part tribute, and all great storytelling ... Music industry veterans Robbie Robertson, Jim Guerinot, Jared Levine, and Sebastian Robertson invite young readers to share with them in celebrating twenty-seven musical legends. Short profiles chronicle personal stories and achievements of extraordinarily talented artists whose innovations changed the landscape of music for generations to come. Carefully compiled like any great playlist, the line-up features originators, rebels, and risk-takers across diverse genres. From Ray Charles to Johnny Cash, Chuck Berry to Bob Dylan, Robertson shares anecdotes about these artists and the influence they had on his own musical journey. Always respectful of their reader, the writers never shy away from speaking about the difficult challenges these recording artists faced and the very human foibles that sometimes led to their tragic end. Most of all, it's the authors' passion and insights into these personal stories of creativity and collaboration -- and the power of music to shine a light on injustice and foster change -- that will fascinate, enlighten, and inspire music fans of all ages. • Exclusive insights from a celebrated musician and passionate industry insiders, two accompanying CDs of legendary tracks and beautiful packaging make for a book with broad appeal -- one that will captivate fans of Robbie Robertson and music lovers of all ages. Tracklist for Legends, Icons & Rebels Disc One 1. Chuck Berry Johnny B. Goode 2. Johnny Cash Get Rhythm 3. Aretha Franklin I Say a Little Prayer 4. The Beatles Here Comes the Sun 6. Bob Marley Three Little Birds 5. Louis Armstrong What a Wonderful World 7. Buddy Holly Peggy Sue 8. Joni Mitchell The Circle Game 9. Ray Charles & The Raelettes Hit the Road Jack 10. Elvis Presley Hound Dog 11. Curtis Mayfield & The Impressions People Get Ready 12. Billie Holiday & Her Orchestra Let's Call the Whole Thing Off Disc Two 1. Little Richard Lucille 2. Hank Williams Jambalaya (On the Bayou) 3. Frank Sinatra Fly Me to the Moon 4. Marvin Gaye I Heard It Through the Grapevine 6. Sam Cooke Wonderful World 5. Carole King So Far Away 7. Louis Jordan Caldonia 8. The Beach Boys In My Room 9. Ella Fitzgerald A-Tisket, A-Tasket 10. James Brown I Got You (I Feel Good) 11. Patsy Cline Crazy 12. Otis Redding That's How Strong My Love Is 13. Nat King Cole It's Only a Paper Moon 14. Stevie Wonder Signed, Sealed, Delivered I'm Yours 15. Bob Dylan Forever Young

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Customer Reviews

Wow. A truly beautiful creation. As a long time, (40year old) admirer of most of the artists in this book I was able to get an even deeper insight and learn things about them that I had never known before. The illustrations and the overall design are stunning. And just when I thought it couldn't get any better there are two CD's with 27 songs by all the featured artists in the book. I plan on re-discovering one artist a week with my 8year old son. I've pored over the page closely and don't see a track listing so for those who are curious this is the breakdown.Disc 11.) Chuck Berry - "Johnny B. Goode"2.) Johnny Cash - "Get Rhythm"3.) Aretha Franklin - "I Say a Little Prayer"4.) The Beatles - "Here Comes the Sun"5.) Louis Armstrong - "What a Wonderful World"6.) Bob Marley - Three Little Birds"7.) Buddy Holly - "Peggy Sue"8.) Joni Mitchell - "The Circle Game"9.) Ray Charles & The Raelettes - "Hit the Road Jack"10.) Elvis Presley - "Hound Dog"11.) Curtis Mayfield & The Impressions - "People Get Ready"12.) Billie Holiday & Her Orchestra - "let's Call the whole Thing Off"Disc 21.) Little Richard - "Lucille"2.) Hank Williams - "Jambalaya (On the Bayou)"3.) Frank Sinatra - "Fly Me To the Moon"4.) Marvin Gaye - "I Heard It Through the Grapevine"5.) Carole King - "So Far Away"6.) Sam Cooke - "Wonderful World"7.) Louis Jordan - "Caldonia"8.) The Beach Boys - "In My Room"9.) Ella Fitzgerald - "A-Tisket, A-Tasket"10.) James Brown - "I Got You (I Feel Good)"11.) Patsy Cline - "Crazy"12.) Otis Redding - "That's How Strong My Love Is"13.) Nat King Cole - "It's Only a Paper Moon"14.) Stevie Wonder - "Signed, Sealed, Delivered I'm Yours"15.) Bob Dylan - "Forever Young"

Regardless of age, this book would have been great for just the artists' profiles (written so that children might be introduced to these great artists). Each artist has a full-page portrait, original art done by remarkable artists and suitable for framing (I can imagine postcards and posters to accompany -- I'd purchase them.) The book is large-format and the printing quality is first-rate. Eye-popping. The fact that you also get two CDs with essential cuts from each artist makes this the book of the year -- perhaps the book of the decade. The CDs are worth the purchase price alone. I hope a volume 2 is in the works!

I can't rave enough about this book. From the thought behind it, to the writing, the artwork...the music included... Fantastic. Such a great team of authors and artists behind it, to boot. It may be marketed towards kids and youth, but it is definitely an education for many of us "grown ups" as well. Can't praise it enough. Buy it for your little ones, for YOURSELF, for your children's classroom and/or library, for gifts...I can't wait for the additional volumes that I hope and pray are in the works. ;) For now I'll be pouring over the lush pages again and again, all while relishing in the well thought out compilation of accompanying tunes. Thanks for this, gents - keep 'em comin'! :)

Legends, Icons & Rebels: Music That Changed the WorldLegends, Rebels & Icons is a visually stunning glimpse at 27 artists who created and impacted modern music. It is a children's coffee table book for ages 9-99 covering a portion of the history of modern music with 2 CDs of music added in to augment the multi-layered visuals and rich text written by Robbie Robertson, Jim Guerinot, Sebastian Robertson and Jared Levine. All four of the authors have strong links to the music industry and at times, personal connections to the content with deep, insights into the twenty-seven biographies. They are music industry insiders and not simply biographers, who have a knowledge of and passion for music and the content of this book. This is a work that is designed to lead children especially into the history of modern music through 2 page summaries of artists' career highlights with 2 pages of illustrations that are rich, varied, multi-layered, and meaningful. It is a winner on so many levels! As an educator, I would use Legends, Rebels & Icons as a resource when teaching modern music history, media studies, visual art as well as the writing of biographies in English. There are so much useful examples on many levels of appreciation in this beautiful volume of work.

I have been looking for a beautiful representation of music history that is palatable to my children for a long time. Even if I didn't have children I would purchase this book for myself and my husband

because not only do you get sweet gems of music history, you get the most awesome and unique illustrations. In addition, you get two CD's with the accompanying music - all of which any music lover would love. It's not just for the music lover though. It's also for those who want to be easily acclimated to some of the music greats of all time. It's no surprise that this list of writers would do a supreme job considering their background, but at least for me, it surpassed expectation. LOVE IT!!!

What a fabulous book! It's a coffee table edition with enclosed CDs of the remastered recordings, wonderful drawings and the editorial info/historical data about the artists is insightful and complete. Robbie Robertson and his son have done their homework, for sure. What a perfect gift for the holiday season ahead, especially for all music fans of any generation.

My sister bought this book for her kids and, although I just jumped into it with them, I've already found it to be so refreshing. I'm not a parent yet but this is the kind of gift that would help me maintain my role as the "cool aunt". It's fun to go through and learn about all the bands even as the adult more familiar with their work already. The kids love it and it's such a fun way to connect them to the music my parents forced me to listen to as a child. Definitely an awesome purchase when you realize your kids may be past the fuzzy caterpillars and teddy bears stage of their education.

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