

Rick Rubin In The Studio

Jane's Addiction's instantly-legendary catalog of albums spawned a generational movement that would change the face of rock n' roll forever, giving way to mainstream alternative rock in the 1990s. Now, for the first time fans are taken behind the scenes and quite literally into the studio for V.I.P. access inside the writing and recording of the legendary classics Jane Says, Coming Down the Mountain, Three Days, Been Caught Stealing, Stop, and a host of other songs. Chronicled via exclusive interviews with lead producer Dave Jerden, engineer Ronnie S. Champagne, legendary Pink Floyd producer Bob Ezrin, as well as early players in discovering the band, including former Triple X Records A&R head Charlie Brown, and members of Perry Farrell's first L.A. band PSI COM (where the sonic foundations of Jane's experimental sound were first discovered/fine-tuned), this is by far the most definitive study of Jane's Addiction's legendary musical legacy. Now in the pages of 'Jane's Addiction: in the Studio,' fans get the first and only definitive look inside the making of Jane's Addiction's legendary, genre-altering catalog of hits!

Focuses exclusively on the studio craft of the late rap legend, Featuring exclusive interviews with many of his producers, including a lengthy, multi-chapter interview with Shakur's closest musical collaborator, Johnny J, among others, offering fans never-before-revealed insight into 2-Pac's recording method, the inter-workings of his songwriting process

'The BeatTips Manual' (Amir Said) is the definitive study of the art of beatmaking (hip hop production). Brilliantly divided into five major parts - a riveting History part, an extensive Instruction (how-to) part, an insightful Interviews part, which features exclusive interviews with DJ Premier, DJ Toomp, Marley Marl, 9th Wonder and more, an explosive Music Theory part, and a Business part - 'The BeatTips Manual' is robust, detailed, and comprehensive. Containing a sharp analysis of the origins of beatmaking, as well as its key aesthetics, principles, priorities, and predilections, 'The BeatTips Manual' is an incisive look at the art of beatmaking - and an intense read. Not only the most complete examination of the hip hop/rap music process, it's also among the leading studies of hip hop culture itself. Destined to expand and transform traditional ideas about musicians, musicianship, and musical processes, 'The BeatTips Manual' is one of the most important and innovative music studies ever published.

The illustrated oral history of the greatest hip-hop hit-making machine in history.

*(Piano/Vocal/Guitar Artist Songbook). This powerful, posthumous release is the coda in the acclaimed American series featuring the legendary Johnny Cash produced by Rick Rubin. Its 12 sadly beautiful tracks include two Cash originals "Like the 309," the last song he ever wrote, and "I Came to Believe," plus covers such as: Four Strong Winds * God's Gonna Cut You Down * I'm Free from the Chain Gang Now * If You Could Read My Mind * Love's Been Good to Me * and more.*

Slayer's Reign in Blood

No Holds Barred

*Total F*cking Godhead*

Jay-Z and the Roc-A-Fella Dynasty

Jane's Addiction: in the Studio

Modern Recording Techniques

Dilla Time

Go behind the scenes with the musician The New York Times called "a guitar God!" Oft-hailed as the Jimi Hendrix of his generation, living guitar legend Joe Satriani has long transcended stylistic boundaries with a sound that raises the bar like a new horizon for the broader genre of instrumental guitar rock. Joe's 6-string secrets have astounded listeners around the world for nearly 30 years. In *Strange Beautiful Music: A Musical Memoir*, Satriani and coauthor, music biographer Jake Brown, take fans on their first authorized tour of the story behind his climb to stardom and the creative odyssey involved in writing and recording a storied catalog of classics including "Surfing with the Alien," "Summer Song," "Satch Boogie," "Always With Me, Always With You," "The Extremist," "Flying in a Blue Dream," "Crowd Chant," and more. Featuring previously unpublished photos and hours of exclusive, firsthand interviews with Satriani, *Strange Beautiful Music* offers a unique look inside the studio with Joe, giving fans a chance to get up close and personal like never before. With insider details about his collaboration with multi-platinum supergroup Chickenfoot, exclusive interviews with Sammy Hagar and Michael Anthony of Van Halen and Chad Smith of the Red Hot Chili Peppers, commentary from fellow guitar legends such as Steve Vai, Metallica's Kirk Hammett, Primus's Larry LaLonde, and legendary music producers including Glynn Johns and the late Andy Johns, this memoir offers a rare inside look for die-hard Satriani fans, guitar enthusiasts, and anyone who loves to rock.

"King of the country, boss of the stix!" Hip Hop has long made braggadocio a work requirement, often for the same "show" factor that arrives when aspiring rappers rent jewelry and nice cars to wear and drive in their music videos. With Big Smo, everything about him as a superstar is authentic: from the farm in middle Tennessee he shot the majority of his music videos, television show, and continues to live and raise his three daughters on to the family Moonshine recipe and even the head of a live chicken he personally cut off to great controversy in his now legendary Kickin' It in Tennessee video. By far the biggest star of the country rap genre he helped invent and put on the national map with the help of well over 70 million Youtube views, he remains the first and only country rapper to date to ever sign a major label record deal with Warner Bros. With a catalog of 10 albums, including highlights like *American Made*, *Kuntry Livin*, which spawned the hits *Workin'* and *Anything Goes*, *We the People*, and *Special Reserve* among other fan favorites, Smo cultivated a fervent fanbase--affectionately referred to as *Kinfoke*--and brought them to the mainstream as the grassroots fire was soon blazing hotly enough to capture the *Wall Street Journal's* attention. A natural ambassador for his listeners' lifestyle with a star personality so charismatic he wound up with his own A&E reality show--another first for his genre--more than 2 million fans made it so official when *The Big Smo Show* debuted in June 2014 on A&E and ran for two seasons. Now, Smo tells all in *My Life in a Jar: The Book of Smo*.

Iron Maiden are without one of heavy metal's most successful indie bands. From their first album in 1980 they have led the way in the New Wave of British Heavy Metal

with Billboard pointing out they have 'always been an underground attraction'. Though other pioneering peers like Metallica have been around on the scene just as long provided their own innovations metal and advanced the genre to a mainstream level, it was Iron Maiden who have been the fans' favourites. Their crossover to chart success showed many bands how it could be done. They were key in getting heavy metal to be accepted as a credible genre. With an impressive catalogue of 15 studio albums spread over 20 years including Iron Maiden (1980), The Number of the Beast (1982), Seventh Son of a Seventh Son and The Final Frontier (2010), their influence speaks for itself. For the first time ever, the writing and recording of such iconic hits as 'The Number of the Beast', 'Flight of Icarus', 'Two Minutes to Midnight', 'Wasted Years', 'Can I Play with Madness' and 'Hallowed Be Thy Name' are explored in-depth. This book takes you into the studio with a band who show no sign of slowing down and whose influence can still be heard in a thousand metal bands today.

You've heard them on the radio, listened to them on repeat for days, and sang along at the top of your lungs—but have you ever wondered about the real stories behind all your favorite country songs? Nashville Songwriter gives readers the first completely authorized collection of the true stories that inspired hits by the biggest multi-platinum country superstars of the last half century—recounted by the songwriters themselves. Award-winning music biographer Jake Brown gives readers an unprecedented, intimate glimpse inside the world of country music songwriting. Featuring exclusive commentary from country superstars and chapter-length interviews with today's biggest hit-writers on Music Row, this book chronicles the stories behind smash hits such as: Willie Nelson's "Always on My Mind" Tim McGraw's "Live Like You Were Dying," "Southern Voice," and "Real Good Man" George Jones's "Tennessee Whiskey" Carrie Underwood's "Jesus Take the Wheel" and "Cowboy Casanova" Brooks & Dunn's "Ain't Nothing 'Bout You" Lady Antebellum's "We Owned the Night" and "Just a Kiss" Brad Paisley's "Mud on the Tires," "We Danced," and "I'm Still a Guy" Luke Bryan's "Play It Again," "Crash My Party," and "That's My Kind of Night" The Oak Ridge Boys's "American Made" George Strait's "Ocean Front Property" and "The Best Day," Rascal Flatts's "Fast Cars and Freedom," and "Take Me There" Kenny Chesney's "Living in Fast Forward" and "When the Sun Goes Down" Ricochet's "Daddy's Money" Montgomery Gentry's "If You Ever Stop Loving Me" The Crickets's "I Fought the Law" Tom T. Hall's "A Week in a County Jail" and "That Song Is Driving Me Crazy" Trace Adkins's "You're Gonna Miss This" David Lee Murphy's "Dust on the Bottle" Jason Aldean's "Big Green Tractor" and "Fly Over States" And many more top country hits over the past 40 years!

A NEW YORK TIMES BEST SELLER "This book is a must for everyone interested in illuminating the idea of unexplainable genius." —QUESTLOVE Equal parts biography, musicology, and cultural history, Dilla Time chronicles the life and legacy of J Dilla, a musical genius who transformed the sound of popular music for the twenty-first century. He wasn't known to mainstream audiences, even though he worked with renowned acts like D'Angelo and Erykah Badu and influenced the music of superstars like Michael Jackson and Janet Jackson. He died at the age of thirty-two, and in his lifetime he never had a pop hit. Yet since his death, J Dilla has become a demigod: revered by jazz musicians and rap icons from Robert Glasper to Kendrick Lamar; memorialized in symphonies and taught at universities. And at the core of this adulation is innovation: a new kind of musical time-feel that he created on a drum machine, but one that changed the way "traditional" musicians play. In Dilla Time, Dan Charnas chronicles the life of James DeWitt Yancey, from his gifted childhood in Detroit, to his rise as a Grammy-nominated hip-hop producer, to the rare blood disease that caused his premature death; and follows the people who kept him and his ideas alive. He also rewinds the histories of American rhythms: from the birth of soul in Dilla's own "Motown," to funk, techno, and disco. Here, music is a story of Black culture in America and of what happens when human and machine times are synthesized into something new. Dilla Time is a different kind of book about music, a visual experience with graphics that build those concepts step by step for fans and novices alike, teaching us to "see" and feel rhythm in a unique and enjoyable way. Dilla's beats, startling some people with their seeming "sloppiness," were actually the work of a perfectionist almost spiritually devoted to his music. This is the story of the man and his machines, his family, friends, partners, and celebrity collaborators. Culled from more than 150 interviews about one of the most important and influential musical figures of the past hundred years, Dilla Time is a book as delightfully detail-oriented and unique as J Dilla's music itself.

Music, Love, Sex & Money : the Life & Times of "Robert" R. Kelly

Run-DMC, Aerosmith, and the Song that Changed American Music Forever

Iron Maiden in the Studio

A Memoir

Learning to Make Musical Choices

Unlocking Creativity: A Producer's Guide to Making Music & Art

The Life and Afterlife of J Dilla, the Hip-Hop Producer Who Reinvented Rhythm

Paul Thompson offers an alternative take on the romanticized and mythologized process of record-making. Side A illustrates how creativity arises out of a system in action, and introduces the history, culture, traditions and institutions that contribute to the process of commercial record production. Side B demonstrates this system in action during the central tasks of songwriting, performing, engineering and producing. Using examples from John Lennon, David Bowie, Tupac Shakur, Björk, Marta Salogni, Sylvia Massy and Rick Rubin, each chapter takes the reader inside a different part of the commercial record production process and uncovers the interactive and interrelated multitude of factors involved in each creative task.

"Total F*cking Godhead brings Chris Cornell, the voice of a generation, alive on the page. Impressively researched and compulsively readable, Godhead

pulls no punches in recounting Cornell's remarkable life and prolific career. It's an inspired chronicle of an impassioned soul. Read it!" —Greg Renoff, author of Van Halen Rising With input from those who knew and worked with him—together with his own words—Total F*cking Godhead recounts the rise of Chris Cornell and his immortal band Soundgarden as they emerged from the 1980s post-punk underground to dominate popular culture in the '90s alongside Pearl Jam, Alice In Chains, and Nirvana. "From his days as a struggling Seattle musician at the forefront of the grunge scene to becoming a global icon, Total F*cking Godhead thoroughly chronicles the life story and prolific output of one of the greatest and most influential singers of all time. You will discover the man and his music all over again." —David de Sola, author of Alice in Chains: The Untold Story Seattle resident and rock writer Corbin Reiff also examines Cornell's dynamic solo career as well as his time in Audioslave. He delves into his hard-fought battle with addiction, and the supercharged reunion with the band that made him famous before everything came to a shocking end. "For those of us still trying to sort out the tragedy of Chris Cornell's death comes this loving look back at the man's life and music. I wrote my own book about grunge, and I still learned a lot from this excellent biography." —Mark Yarm, author of Everybody Loves Our Town: An Oral History of Grunge

The Def Jam label gave America hip hop. But who gave America Def Jam? Russell Simmons and Rick Rubin did. The Men Behind Def Jam examines the most unlikely history of the legendary label that started life in a student dorm and went on to introduce the world to LL Cool J, the Beastie Boys, Public Enemy, DMX and Jay-Z. Hustler-incarnate Russell Simmons and ex-punk Rick Rubin, the odd couple, fought and triumphed against all predictions to change the course of popular music forever. Here is an honest appraisal of these rival personalities, the quarrels, the successes and the failures of the spectacular Def Jam adventure. With Rubin and Simmons now pursuing other interests, the label continues with others at the helm, but the story of Def Jam's birth and coming of age makes for one of pop music's most feisty and fascinating legends.

(Music Pro Guide Books & DVDs). Recording Unhinged: Creative and Unconventional Music Recording Techniques is a dare a challenge for those who think recording music should be done a certain way. Sylvia Massy, engineer, mixer, and producer of such all-time great artists as Tool, Prince, Tom Petty and the Heartbreakers, R.E.M., Oingo Boingo, Johnny Cash, Red Hot Chili Peppers, and many more, invites you to put everything you've ever known or learned about recording aside and dive head-long into the unknown. You might just find the doors blown off your conception of how great music should be recorded. If you want to take your creativity and freedom to a brand new level, open your mind and hear the sermons that Sylvia Massy preaches! She lives in a world far outside the norm, working in ways that, though frightening to some, yield results that are emotionally powerful, incredibly personal, gut-wrenching, organic, and even (based on her iconic client list) extremely commercially successful. Recording Unhinged contains many full-color R. Crumb-style illustrations by Massy, herself! In addition to being an A-list engineer/producer, she is a gifted artist! Her illustrations depict real and imaginary sessions and recording situations so the images move beyond literal demonstrations into the root-level heart and soul of her passion for recording and music! Also, included are lists, recipes, schematics, quotes, and stories, plus Massy interviews countless industry icons who shake-it-up in the music world.

AC/DC have reigned over rock 'n' roll for almost four decades. Their signature power chord rock was the sonic standard bearer of the genre they pioneered, summarised in Rolling Stone's declaration that they 'are one of the top hard rock bands in history'. The group has transcended their Australian roots to become a global phenomenon. Their albums consistently go platinum and they have earned their reputation as one of the best bands on the planet. The band's live arsenal includes 'It's a Long Way to the Top (If you want to Rock 'n 'Roll); 'Highway to Hell and 'You Shook Me All Night Long' and their influence is felt today as strongly as ever. 2008's Black Ice sold an astonishing more than 1.5 million copies in its first week, and would go on to sell seven million copies worldwide, spending several weeks on the top of the Billboard Top 200. In November 2012, Live at River Plate was released - the band's first live album for 20 years. Featuring exclusive interviews with producers and engineers, AC/DC in the Studio is the definitive account of the making of the greatest hard rock anthems of all time. Every album is featured in incredible detail, from 1975's TNT all the way to 2008 and Black Ice.

Alice in Chains: in the Studio

The Making of Rock 'n' Roll's Greatest Records Revealed

Johnny Cash - American V: A Hundred Highways (Songbook)

Beatmaking, the Hip Hop/Rap Music Tradition, and the Common Composer

Cash

Mixing with Impact

Color All Over Your Favorite Studio Personalities

In *Mixing with Impact: Learning to Make Musical Choices*, Wessel Oltheten discusses the creative and technical concepts behind making a mix. Whether you're a dance producer in your home studio, a live mixer in a club, or an engineer in a big studio, the mindset is largely the same. The same goes for the questions you run into: where do you start? How do you deal with a context in which all the different parts affect each other? How do you avoid getting lost in technique? How do you direct your audience's attention? Why doesn't your mix sound as good as someone else's? How do you maintain your objectivity when you hear the same song a hundred times? How do your speakers affect your perception? What's the difference between one compressor and another? Following a clear structure, this book covers these and many other questions, bringing you closer and closer to answering the most important question of all: how do you tell a story with sound?

Brown details Dr. Dre's life, times, and history, in a way no other work has, brilliantly capturing the history of this music legend.

#1 NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER • A panoramic experience that tells the story of Beastie Boys, a book as unique as the band itself—by band members ADROCK and Mike D, with contributions from Amy Poehler, Colson Whitehead, Wes Anderson, Luc Sante, and more. The inspiration for the Emmy-nominated Apple TV+ “live documentary” *Beastie Boys Story*, directed by Spike Jonze **NAMED ONE OF THE BEST BOOKS OF THE YEAR BY Rolling Stone • The Guardian • Paste** Formed as a New York City hardcore band in 1981, Beastie Boys struck an unlikely path to global hip hop superstardom. Here is their story, told for the first time in the words of the band. Adam “ADROCK” Horovitz and Michael “Mike D” Diamond offer revealing and very funny accounts of their transition from teenage punks to budding rappers; their early collaboration with Russell Simmons and Rick Rubin; the debut album that became the first hip hop record ever to hit #1, *Licensed to Ill*—and the album's messy fallout as the band broke with Def Jam; their move to Los Angeles and rebirth with the genre-defying masterpiece *Paul's Boutique*; their evolution as musicians and social activists over the course of the classic albums *Check Your Head*, *Ill Communication*, and *Hello Nasty* and the Tibetan Freedom Concert benefits conceived by the late Adam “MCA” Yauch; and more. For more than thirty years, this band has had an inescapable and indelible influence on popular culture. With a style as distinctive and eclectic as a Beastie Boys album, *Beastie Boys Book* upends the typical music memoir. Alongside the band narrative you will find rare photos, original illustrations, a cookbook by chef Roy Choi, a graphic novel, a map of Beastie Boys' New York, mixtape playlists, pieces by guest contributors, and many more surprises. Praise for *Beastie Boys Book* “A fascinating, generous book with portraits and detail that float by in bursts of color . . . As with [the band's] records, the book's structure is a lyrical three-man weave. . . . Diamond's voice is lapidary, droll. Horovitz comes on like a borscht belt comedian, but beneath that he is urgent, incredulous, kind of vulnerable. . . . Friendship is the book's subject as much as music, fame and New York.”—*The New York Times Book Review* “Wild, moving . . . resembles a Beastie Boys LP in its wild variety of styles.”—*Rolling Stone*

Franz Cimbali is in danger of losing everything he owns, including his wife and his young son, after Martin Yahl and his corporate henchman devise a bizarre plot to destroy Franz's immense financial empire

There is no greater enigma than Rick Rubin working in record production today. As mysterious personally as the Buddhist religion he practices, Rubin has made one thing crystal clear: the records he produces are sonically and stylistically beyond reproach. MTV has called Rubin "the most important producer of the last 20 years," while *Rolling Stone* ventured even further, deeming Rubin the most successful "of any genre." Without a niche, Rubin has taken greater risks than any producer in the record industry over the past quarter century. Pushing his artists into new territory has garnered Rubin seven Grammys, including Producer of the Year in 2007, and made him the most in-demand record producer working today. Now for the first time, *Rick Rubin: In the Studio* offers the behind-the-scenes stories of how Rubin created hit albums with such diverse legends as the Red Hot Chili Peppers, Run-DMC, Johnny Cash, the Beastie Boys, Audioslave, Tom Petty, Metallica, Danzig, Slayer, LL Cool J, The Cult, Weezer, the Dixie Chicks, Linkin Park, System of a Down, Rage Against the Machine, Jay Z, Neil Diamond, Sheryl Crow, and Slipknot. This book chronicles his meteoric rise, from his early days as DJ Double R in the early '80s, founding and running Def Jam Records alongside Russell Simmons from an NYU dorm room, discovering and producing the Beastie Boys and LL Cool J, to his transition in the early '90s into a successful independent record executive, signing and producing the Red Hot Chili Peppers and Johnny Cash, to his role as the most influential producer of all time (currently as the co-head of Columbia Records), and his continued successes with rock/metal supergroups Audioslave, Linkin Park, and Metallica. This in-depth look at the life and times of Rick Rubin - in the studio and beyond - is a must-have for any music fan

Broken Horses

The Rise, Fall, and Rise of Death Row Records : the Story of Marion "Suge" Knight, a Hard Hitting Study of One Man, One Company that Changed the Course of American Music Forever

Strange Beautiful Music

Dr. Dre in the Studio

Beats Down! Money Up! (2000-2006)

The Book of Smo

Tupac Shakur, (2-Pac) in the Studio

Rick Rubin In the Studio (Large Print 16pt) ReadHowYouWant

An unauthorized biography of songwriter, producer, and singer, R. Kelly.

Chronicling record producer Rick Rubin's meteoric rise in the music industry, this authoritative book posits that he has taken greater risks than any other producer of the past 25 years. Tracing his career from Def Jam Records?founded with Russell Simmons in a New York University dorm room?to his recent years as a top independent record executive, the book also goes behind the scenes to show how Rubin created hit albums with such diverse legends as the Beastie Boys, the Dixie Chicks, Johnny Cash, LL Cool J, the Red Hot Chili Peppers, and Rage Against the Machine?as well as the great rock and metal supergroups, Audioslave, Linkin Park, and Metallica.

(Music Pro Guide Books & DVDs). The term "soundtrack of our lives" is one commonly tossed around by artists, fans, critics, and historians in discussing rock 'n' roll's timeless hits, spanning every subgenre, from pop to hard rock, heavy metal to new wave. In the pages of Behind the Boards: The Making of Rock 'n' Roll's Greatest Records Revealed, the first definitive rock record-producers' anthology of its kind, readers are taken inside the studio, into the creation of the generations of classic records that collectively make up that soundtrack of our lives. The book appeals to both fans and academic audiences interested in the art of sound recording/record producing, providing a rich demographic spread of potential niche and mainstream markets. This is the

first definitive record-producers' anthology to cross every one of rock's subgenres, featuring intimate, first-hand accounts of how the making of many of rock 'n' roll's greatest hits were created, via exclusive interviews with the producers who recorded them. Some of the songs discussed are "Every Breath You Take" by the Police, "Comfortably Numb" by Pink Floyd, "In the Air Tonight" by Phil Collins, "Smells like Teen Spirit" by Nirvana, "Beautiful Day" by U2, "One" by Metallica, "You Shook Me All Night Long" by AC/DC, "Sabotage" by the Beastie Boys, "Jane Says" by Jane's Addiction, "Sledge Hammer" by Peter Gabriel, and "Sweet Emotion" by Aerosmith, among countless others by legends like Bob Dylan, the Rolling Stones, Kiss, Led Zeppelin, Bob Marley, the Red Hot Chili Peppers, Soundgarden, the Pixies, The Who, Jimi Hendrix, Journey, Judas Priest, Motley Crue, Sting, Tom Waits, Smashing Pumpkins, Pink, John Mellencamp, the Black Crowes, New Order, Ministry, Fleetwood Mac, Foreigner, and many more. Slayer's controversial Reign in Blood remains the gold standard for extreme heavy metal: a seamless procession of 10 blindingly fast songs in just 28 minutes, delivered in furious bursts of an instrumental precision, with lyrics so striking that Tori Amos was moved to record a cover.

Alternative Takes

From Compton, Death Row, Snoop Dogg, Eminem, 50 Cent, the Game, and Mad Money : the Life, Times, and Aftermath of the Notorious Record Producer, Dr. Dre Heart

The BeatTips Manual, 6th Edition

Kanye West in the Studio

AC/DC in the Studio - The Stories Behind Every Album

Author Jake Brown has woven a tale of intense drama that paved the way for some of the world's biggest stars, including: Tupac Shakur, Dr. Dre and Snoop Dog. The Suge Knight and Death Row Story details the visionary entrepreneur's life story, encompassing his meteoric rise to the top of the charts after partnering with Dre to found Death Row Records. It tells you where Suge intends to take Hip Hop in the new millennium and features insightful interviews with business associates, family members and artists who speak candidly about his life.

Presents a brief biography of the musician 50 Cent, providing information on his childhood, his life as a hustler, and his achievements in rap music.

As the most popular and authoritative guide to recording Modern Recording Techniques provides everything you need to master the tools and day to day practice of music recording and production. From room acoustics and running a session to mic placement and designing a studio Modern Recording Techniques will give you a really good grounding in the theory and industry practice. Expanded to include the latest digital audio technology the 7th edition now includes sections on podcasting, new surround sound formats and HD and audio. If you are just starting out or looking for a step up in industry, Modern Recording Techniques provides an in depth excellent read- the must have book

An album-by-album celebration of the life and music of Mac Miller through oral histories, intimate reflections, and critical examinations of his enduring work. "One of my most vivid memories of him is the way he would look at you while he was playing you a song. He tried to look you right in the eyes to see how you were feeling about it." —Will Kalson, friend and first manager Following Mac Miller's tragic passing in 2018, Donna-Claire Chesman dedicated a year to chronicling his work through the unique lens of her relationship to the music and Mac's singular relationship to his fans. Like many who'd been following him since he'd started releasing mixtapes at eighteen years old, she felt as if she'd come of age alongside the rapidly evolving artist, with his music being crucial to her personal development. "I want people to remember his humanity as they're listening to the music, to realize how much bravery and courage it takes to be that honest, be that self-aware, and be that real about things going on internally. He let us witness that entire journey. He never hid that." —Kehlani, friend and musician. The project evolved to include intimate interviews with many of Mac's closest friends and collaborators, from his Most Dope Family in Pittsburgh to the producers and musicians who assisted him in making his everlasting music, including Big Jerm, Rex Arrow, Wiz Khalifa, Benjy Grinberg, Just Blaze, Josh Berg, Syd, Thundercat, and more. These voices, along with the author's commentary, provide a vivid and poignant portrait of this astonishing artist—one who had just released a series of increasingly complex albums, demonstrating what a musical force he was and how heartbreaking it was to lose him. "As I'm reading the lyrics, it's crazy. It's him telling us that he hopes we can always respect him. I feel like this is a message from him, spiritually. A lot of the time, his music was like little letters and messages to his friends, family, and people he loved, to remind them of who he really was." —Quentin Cuff, best friend and tour manager

(Book). We all know the heroes of the recording industry: Sir George Martin, Al Schmitt, Nigel Godrich, Rick Rubin people who seem larger than life. In our book, Recording Unhinged: Creative and Unconventional Music Recording Techniques , we imagined some big-name producers as gods from mythology. We envisioned famous recording engineers doing other types of engineering, and mixers as people who mix all kinds of things besides music. Okay, maybe we aren't taking ourselves all that seriously, and why should we, or you? This is a coloring book! We want nothing more than to give you the opportunity to draw all over your favorite audio

icons. Enjoy these illustrations from Recording Unhinged: Creative and Unconventional Music Recording Techniques , and be sure to color outside the lines in your own recording projects, just as these great people have done. And it doesn't end here. So raise a colored pencil to future editions of Illustrations Unhinged. Many other great industry icons past, present, and future are slated to become immortalized in Sylvia's portraits. Stay tuned!

Beastie Boys Book

Tom Waits in the Studio

Def Jam Recordings

Creative and Unconventional Music Recording Techniques

In the Studio (Large Print 16pt)

A Musical Memoir

A Novel

(Music Pro Guide Books & DVDs). Here, record producer Beinhorn reveals how to deal with interpersonal issues record producers face when they work with artists one on one or in small groups. situations and solutions are based upon the author's personal and professional experience working with a variety of different artists, such as Herbie Hancock, the Red Hot Chili Peppers, Soul Asylum, Soundgarden, Ozzy Osbourne, Courtney Love, Marilyn Manson, Social Distortion, Korn, and Mew. Beinhorn's unique methods and perspective, applied to record producing and music making in the studio, opens the door to successful collaborative efforts. The author shows you how to find what he calls your sensory connection to the creativity process, which ultimately helps you find the intent behind creative choices. You can read dozens of articles and books that feature a hundred different people talking about what microphones they used when they recorded Record X or how they set their compressor, but you will never find out what prompted them to make these choices. Beinhorn's focus on collaborative effort enables record producers and artists to find solutions while working in a team. This perspective is especially valuable as it is transdisciplinary and can be applied to many occupations and modes of creativity outside of record production.

Discusses the life and career of rap artist Jay-Z.

Explores the career of Kanye West, focusing on the years between 2000 and 2006 and discussing his influence as a producer, rapper, and performer. Includes photographs and discography.

An upcoming book to be published by Penguin Random House.

There is no greater enigma than Rick Rubin working in record production today. As mysterious personally as the Buddhist religion he practices, Rubin has made one thing crystal clear: the records he produces are sonically and stylistically beyond reproach. MTV has called Rubin "the most important producer of the last 20 years," while Rolling Stone ventured even further, deeming Rubin the most successful "of any genre." Without a niche, Rubin has taken greater risks than any producer in the record industry over the past quarter century. Pushing his artists into new territory has garnered him five Grammys, including Producer of the Year in 2007, and made him the most in-demand record producer working today. Now for the first time, Rick Rubin: In the Studio offers the behind-the-scenes look of how Rubin created hit albums with such diverse legends as the Red Hot Chili Peppers, Run DMC, Johnny Cash, the Beastie Boys, Audioslave, Tom Petty, Metallica, Danzig, Slayer, LL Cool J, The Grateful Dead, Weezer, the Dixie Chicks, Linkin Park, System of a Down, Rage Against the Machine, Jay Z, Neil Diamond, Sheryl Crow, and Slipknot. This book chronicles his meteoric rise, from his early days as DJ 30 Seconds to Double R in the early '80s, founding and running Def Jam Records alongside Russell Simmons from an NYU dorm room, discovering and producing the Beastie Boys and LL Cool J, to his transition in the early '90s into a successful independent record executive, signing and producing the Red Hot Chili Peppers and Johnny Cash, to his role as the most influential producer of all time (currently as the head of Columbia Records), and his continued successes with rock/metal supergroups Audioslave, Linkin Park, and Metallica. This in-depth look at the life and times of Rick Rubin - in the studio and behind the scenes - is a must-have for any music fan.

Behind the Boards

The Studio Years (1989-1996)

The Inside Stories Behind Country Music's Greatest Hits

The First 25 Years of the Last Great Record Label

Walk This Way

Rick Rubin

Recording Unhinged

"There has never been a better book about hip-hop...a record-biz portrait that jumps off the page."—A.V. Club THE INSPIRATION FOR THE VH1 SERIES THE BREAKS The Big Payback takes readers from the first \$15 made by a "rapping DJ" in 1970s New York to the multi-million-dollar sales of the Phat Farm and Roc-a-Wear clothing companies in 2004 and 2007. On this four-decade-long journey from the studios where the first rap records were made to the boardrooms where the big deals were inked, The Big Payback tallies the list of who lost and who won. Read the secret histories of the early long-shot successes of Sugar Hill Records and Grandmaster Flash, Run DMC's crossover breakthrough on MTV, the marketing of gangsta rap, and the rise of artist/entrepreneurs like Jay-Z and Sean "Diddy" Combs. 300 industry giants like Def Jam founders Rick Rubin and Russell Simmons gave their stories to renowned hip-hop journalist Dan Charnas, who provides a compelling, never-before-seen, myth-debunking view into the victories, defeats, corporate clashes, and street battles along the 40-year road to hip-hop's dominance. INCLUDES PHOTOGRAPHS

"Throughout the pages of Tom Waits: In the Studio, the creative processes behind the writing and recording of career highs, ranging from "The Heart of Saturday Night" and "Raindogs" in the 1970s and 80s, "Bone Machine" and "Mule Variations" in the 1990s and "Blood Money" and the more recent "Orphans, Brawlers,

Bawlers and Bastards" in the new millennium, are explored via interviews with engineers and producers and quoted commentary from Waits himself."

According to Billboard Magazine, "in many ways, Alice in Chains was the definitive heavy metal band of the early '90s," while MTV.com has "placed them among the front ranks of the Seattle-based grunge bands." All Music Guide would further add that "Alice in Chains were arguably the most metallic of grunge bands, which gave them a definite appeal outside the underground." As the band grew overnight into Grunge superstars from their initial signing to Columbia Records in 1990, Rolling Stone Magazine would further report that "Alice in Chains was among the biggest to emerge from the grunge scene that spawned Nirvana, Pearl Jam, and Soundgarden." Going on to produce such genre-defining hits as 'Man in the Box, Again, Rooster, Angry Chair, Got Me Wrong, and Dirt among their 11 Top 10 hit singles on the Billboard Singles Charts among 19 Billboard Top 40 hits, Alice in Chains would eventually sell 14 million albums worldwide, including two Billboard Top 200 Album Chart # 1 LPs, including 'Jar of Flies' and 'Alice in Chains.' The band's critical accolades would further include 6 Grammy Nominations, and an MTV Music Video Award win, and to date, Alice in Chains remains both a critical, commercial and fan favorite! Now, for the first time, within the pages of 'Alice in Chains: in the Studio,' fans get the first-hand account of how their favorite AIC hits were written and recorded, recounted via exclusive interviews with band producers including Dave Jerden and Toby Wright, engineers Bryan Calstrom, Ronnie Champagne and others, as well as interview material with band members, etc. A sure-fire hit with AIC listeners old and new, 'Alice in Chains: in the Studio' is truly one of a kind, and a must-have for any true Alice in Chains fan!

With more Top 10 hits than any other female-fronted music group in history, beginning with such '70s classics as "Crazy on You," "Barracuda," "Magic Man," and "Straight On," Rolling Stone hailed Heart's "sister team of Nancy and Ann Wilson . . . [for] shrewdly pulling off a Led Zep role reversal," while still succeeding in mainstream Top 40 Radio. The band rode a second wave of even greater commercial success throughout the 1980s, producing such smash hits as "These Dreams," "Who You Gonna Run To?", "Alone," "Never," "Stranded," "There's the Girl," "What About Love?", and "All I Wanna Do (Is Make Love to You)," going on to sell a cumulative 30+ million albums worldwide! Now, for the first time, inside the pages of Heart: In the Studio, fans get the V.I.P. access behind the scenes of the writing and recording of all of Heart's hit albums and smash singles! This title features exclusive interviews with band leaders Ann and Nancy Wilson, longtime guitarist Howard Leese, as well as with producers Mike Flicker, Ron Nevison, Keith Olsen, and Ritchie Zito. This study of Heart's hit-making process in the studio is the first of its kind, and sure to be a must-have for any Heart fan!

Washington Post national arts reporter Geoff Edgers takes a deep dive into the story behind "Walk This Way," Aerosmith and Run-DMC's legendary, groundbreaking mashup that forever changed music. The early 1980s were an exciting time for music. Hair metal bands were selling out stadiums, while clubs and house parties in New York City had spawned a new genre of music. At the time, though, hip hop's reach was limited, an art form largely ignored by mainstream radio deejays and the rock-obsessed MTV network. But in 1986, the music world was irrevocably changed when Run-DMC covered Aerosmith's hit "Walk This Way" in the first rock-hip hop collaboration. Others had tried melding styles. This was different, as a pair of iconic arena rockers and the young kings of hip hop shared a studio and started a revolution. The result: Something totally new and instantly popular. Most importantly, "Walk This Way" would be the first rap song to be played on mainstream rock radio. In Walk This Way, Geoff Edgers sets the scene for this unlikely union of rockers and MCs, a mashup that both revived Aerosmith and catapulted hip hop into the mainstream. He tracks the paths of the main artists—Steven Tyler, Joe Perry, Joseph "Run" Simmons, and Darryl "DMC" McDaniels—along with other major players on the scene across their lives and careers, illustrating the long road to the revolutionary marriage of rock and hip hop. Deeply researched and written in cinematic style, this music history is a must-read for fans of hip hop, rock, and everything in between.

Remembering Mac Miller

The Biography of Chris Cornell

In the Studio

Rick Rubin in the Studio (16pt Large Print Edition)

The History of the Business of Hip-Hop

Your Body's Calling Me

My Life in a Jar

Part intimate profile, part detailed discography, this music compilation explores the life and work of Tori Amos, one of the most prolific alternative rock artists of the past few decades. Known for her piano-driven music and emotional, intense lyrics that delve into such topics as sexuality, religion, and personal tragedy, Amos has sold more than 12 million albums worldwide. The artistic process behind the creation of these albums is revealed through exclusive interviews with people who worked alongside her in the studio—her producers, sound engineers, and backing band members—and included is an analysis of her choice to break away from the traditional rules of the recording industry and forge her own path and musical identity. From her days as a young piano prodigy and her first band to her many years as a solo artist and her extensive touring and recording, the in-depth research into the personal influence behind Amos's music complements the chronicle of her professional career.

The Book of Mac

The Stories Behind Every Album

Suge Knight

The Big Payback

Tori Amos

Creativity in the Recording Studio

50 Cent