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Marilyn

She vigorously played the dumb-blond stereotype in her movie roles, but there is nothing at all dumb about Marilyn Monroe. Born to a single mother who suffered from severe mental illness, the odds were stacked against the girl originally named Norma Jeane from the very beginning. She became a ward of the state and bounced around from foster home to foster home. The fact that she rose from such impoverished beginnings to become one of the top-billed acts in Hollywood speaks for itself. Inside you will read about ✓ From Foster Child to Movie Star ✓ The Scene with the White Dress ✓ Marilyn the Jew ✓ Diagnosis of Paranoid Schizophrenia ✓ Marilyn's First Overdose ✓ The Presidential Affair ✓ Locked in the Psych Ward And much more! Discover the life and legend that is Marilyn Monroe.

The Marilyn Scandal

This book is essentially a filmography interlaced with a complex biographical account of Marilyn Monroe's life and loves throughout her career. A lengthy introduction explains her traumatic early life and mysterious, unexpected, much talked about death. Behind the scenes information, cast and crew lists, box office grosses and photographs are given for each film. There is a Foreword by Academy Award-winning actor (West Side Story) George Chakiris, who worked as a chorus dancer in two of Monroe's biggest productions, Gentlemen Prefer Blondes (1953) and There's No Business Like Show Business (1954). This is a definitive summation of the Hollywood icon's career.

The Unabridged Marilyn

Given as a Christmas present to Marilyn Monroe, Maf the dog provides keen insight into the world of the Hollywood starlet during the last two years of her life.

Marilyn: Her Life in Pictures

Taken from interviews with her friends and colleagues, a portrait of a romantic woman and talented actress describes Marilyn Monroe's life and probes the circumstances of her untimely death

Man's Supreme Inheritance

With an in-depth look at the two most empowering years in the life of Marilyn Monroe, *The Girl* details how *The Seven Year Itch* created an icon and sent the star on an adventure of self-discovery and transformation from a controlled wife and contract player into a businesswoman and unlikely feminist whose power is still felt today. When Marilyn Monroe stepped over a subway grating as *The Girl* in *The Seven Year Itch* and let a gust of wind catch the skirt of her pleated white dress, an icon was born. Before that, the actress was mainly known for a nude calendar and one-dimensional, albeit memorable, characters on the screen. Though she again played a "dumb blonde" in this film and was making headlines by revealing her enviable anatomy, the star was now every bit in control of her image, and ready for a personal revolution. Emboldened by her winning fight to land the role of *The Girl*, the making of *The Seven Year Itch* and the eighteen months that followed was the period of greatest confidence, liberation, and career success that Monroe lived in her tumultuous life. It was a time in which, among other things, she: Ended her marriage to Joe DiMaggio and later began a relationship with Arthur Miller; Legally changed her name to Marilyn Monroe, divorcing herself from the troubled past of Norma Jeane; Started her own production company; Studied in private lessons with Lee and Paula Strasberg of the Actors Studio and became a part of the acting revolution of the day The ripple effects her personal rebellion had on Hollywood, and in trailblazing the way for women that followed, will both surprise and inspire readers to see the Marilyn Monroe in an entirely new light.

Marilyn Monroe

Published for the fiftieth anniversary of her tragic death, this definitive account dispels the rumors and sets the record straight on her last two years Marilyn Monroe passed away at the age of thirty-six under circumstances that have remained mysterious to this day. *Marilyn Monroe: The Final Years* separates the myths and rumors from the facts as Keith Badman takes readers through the concluding months of 1960 to that fateful day in August 1962. In this extraordinary book—the product of five years of exhaustive research—the author is both biographer and detective: Badman uncovers long-lost or previously unseen personal records, exclusive interviews, and eyewitness accounts that illuminate the final chapter of

Marilyn's life as she navigates weight gain, drug use, and personal turmoil, along with drama on the set of the ill-fated movie *Something's Got to Give*. Badman dispels popular beliefs, such as her supposed affairs with John and Bobby Kennedy. (Monroe only had a one-night stand with the president at Bing Crosby's house, and never with Bobby.) Readers learn the long-concealed identity of her biological father, who refused Marilyn's attempt to contact him in 1951—and was then repaid with her apathy ten years later when he attempted to contact her. The author also reveals the details of her famous "last Sitting" with photographer Bert Stern (which was not her last photo shoot) and describes the horror she endured after being tricked into being institutionalized at the Payne-Whitney Psychiatric Clinic, from which ex-husband Joe DiMaggio had to pull strings to secure her release. Perhaps most shockingly, we learn of the regrettable incident in which a drunken Monroe was sexually exploited by mobsters at a Lake Tahoe hotel co-owned by Frank Sinatra. Finally contrary to the salacious rumors that Marilyn was suicidal or the victim of a murder and cover-up, Badman discloses new information about her final days alive and reveals, in unequivocal detail, evidence that indicates Monroe's death was accidental. Above it all, Badman pays homage to Monroe by rescuing her final months from the realm of wild and sensationalized allegations popularized by those who sought to gain from them. *Marilyn Monroe: The Final Years* sheds new light on an immortal movie legend.

Marilyn Monroe

A brilliant investigation into the debates surrounding Marilyn Monroe's life and the cultural attitudes that her legend reveals. There are many Marilyns: sex goddess and innocent child, crafty manipulator and dumb blonde, liberated woman and tragic loner. Indeed, the writing and rewriting of this endlessly intriguing icon's life has produced more than six hundred books, from the long procession of "authoritative" biographies to the memoirs and plays by ex-husband Arthur Miller and the works by Norman Mailer and Joyce Carol Oates. But even as the books have multiplied, myth, reality, fact, fiction, and gossip have become only more intertwined; there is still no agreement about such fundamental questions as Marilyn's given name, the identity of her father, whether she was molested as a child, and how and why she died. *The Many Lives of Marilyn Monroe* reviews the unreliable and unverifiable-but highly significant-stories that have framed the greatest Hollywood legend. All the while, cultural critic Sarah Churchwell reveals us to ourselves: our conflicted views on women, our tormented sexual attitudes, our ambivalence about success, our fascination with self-destruction. In incisive and passionate prose, Churchwell uncovers the shame, belittlement, and anxiety that we bring to the story of a woman we supposedly adore. In the process, she rescues a Marilyn Monroe who is far more complicated and credible than the one we think we know.

Icon: The Life, Times and Films of Marilyn Monroe Volume 1 - 1926 TO 1956

Barbara Leaming's *Marilyn Monroe* is a complex, sympathetic portrait that will totally change the way we view the most enduring icon of American sexuality. To those who think they have heard all there is to hear about Marilyn Monroe, think

again. Leaming's book tells a brand-new tale of sexual, psychological, and political intrigue of the highest order. Told for the first time in all its complexity, this is a compelling portrait of a woman at the center of a drama with immensely high stakes, a drama in which the other players are some of the most fascinating characters from the world's of movies, theater, and politics. It is a book that shines a bright light on one of the most tumultuous, frightening, and exciting periods in American culture. Basing her research on new interviews and on thousands of primary documents, including revealing letters by Arthur Miller, Elia Kazan, John Huston, Laurence Olivier, Tennessee Williams, Darryl Zanuck, Marilyn's psychiatrist Dr. Ralph Greenson, and many others, Leaming has reconstructed the tangles of betrayal in Marilyn's life. For the first time, a master storyteller has put together all of the pieces and told Marilyn's story with the intensity and drama it so richly deserves. At the heart of this book is a sexual triangle and a riveting story of betrayal that has never been told before. You will come away filled with new respect for Marilyn's incredible courage, dignity, and loyalty, and an overwhelming sense of tragedy after witnessing Marilyn, powerless to overcome her demons, move inexorably to her own final, terrible betrayal of herself. Marilyn Monroe is a book that will make you think--and will break your heart. From the Hardcover edition.

Marilyn in Manhattan

A lifestyle guide and tribute to the style, glamour, and showmanship of Hollywood's most iconic star, with Marilyn-inspired lessons and inspiration for today's woman. While the 1950s was in many ways an era of repression for women, Marilyn Monroe broke barriers and rebelled against convention -- and charmed the world with her beauty, talent, and irresistible personality. Filled with gorgeous photos, *The Little Book of Marilyn* will show you how to bring a touch of that glamour into your own life through: Tutorials on recreating the star's makeup looks Style advice and tips on where to find Marilyn-like fashions Décor ideas from Marilyn's own homes Everyday inspiration from her life that will let your inner Marilyn shine, and much more!

Marilyn Revealed

Fragments is an event—an unforgettable book that will redefine one of the greatest icons of the twentieth century and that, nearly fifty years after her death, will definitively reveal Marilyn Monroe's humanity. Marilyn's image is so universal that we can't help but believe we know all there is to know of her. Every word and gesture made headlines and garnered controversy. Her serious gifts as an actor were sometimes eclipsed by her notoriety—and by the way the camera fell helplessly in love with her. Beyond the headlines—and the too-familiar stories of heartbreak and desolation—was a woman far more curious, searching, witty, and hopeful than the one the world got to know. Now, for the first time, readers can meet the private Marilyn and understand her in a way we never have before. *Fragments* is an unprecedented collection of written artifacts—notes to herself, letters, even poems—in Marilyn's own handwriting, never before published, along with

rarely seen intimate photos. Jotted in notebooks, typed on paper, or written on hotel letterhead, these texts reveal a woman who loved deeply and strove to perfect her craft. They show a Marilyn Monroe unsparing in her analysis of her own life, but also playful, funny, and impossibly charming. The easy grace and deceptive lightness that made her performances indelible emerge on the page, as does the simmering tragedy that made her last appearances so affecting.

The Secret Life of Marilyn Monroe

The late actress's story, told in her own words as well as one hundred and fifty photographs, culled from conversations with the author in 1962.

Fragments

In this book Dr. Joseph Murphy explains how the latent powers inherent in our subconscious can improve our lives. He discusses the two minds that each of us possess; the objective mind and the subjective mind, and how to integrate them. He also explains how to harness the power of mind, especially the subconscious mind. Dr. Joseph Murphy, the founder of 'The Church of Divine Science', produced books, tapes, and radio broadcasts on spiritual matters, the historical values of life, the art of wholesome living, and the teachings of great philosophers-both from the Eastern and Western cultures.

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In this ambitious book, Joyce Carol Oates boldly reimagines the inner, poetic, and spiritual life of Norma Jeane Baker—the child, the woman, the fated celebrity and idolized blonde the world came to know as Marilyn Monroe. In a voice startling, intimate, and rich, Norma Jeane tells her own story, that of an emblematic American artist—intensely conflicted and driven—who has lost her way. A powerful portrait of Hollywood's myth and an extraordinary woman's heartbreaking reality, *Blonde* is a sweeping epic that pays tribute to the elusive magic and devastation behind the creation of the great twentieth-century American star.

Marilyn's Last Sessions

Marilyn Monroe is an icon for millions around the world, young and old alike. Now a comprehensive timeline is available for

Marilyn's life. Track the superstar's path to icon status through her success and failure, her husbands and lovers, and the general ups and downs of everyday life.

MM--Personal

Was there ever anyone else like Marilyn? It's nearly 50 years since her untimely death and no one has been able to step into her shoes. While her career, indeed her life, was marked by personal problems and a reputation for being unreliable and difficult to work with, she is still responsible for such enduring favorite films as *Some Like it Hot*, *Gentlemen Prefer Blondes*, and *The Seven Year Itch*. In 1999, Monroe was ranked as the sixth greatest American female star of all time by the American Film Institute above such stars as Lauren Bacall, Joan Crawford, and Ginger Rogers. On August 5, 1962, she was found dead of an overdose of barbiturates that may have been an accident or suicide-although conspiracy theories also include murder by such wide-ranging miscreants as the CIA, the Mafia, or the Kennedys. *Marilyn Her Life in Pictures* opens with a concise biographical introduction and then provides a chronological visual story of her life, decade by decade from her early years, through the hard times as she built her reputation as an actor, to her greatest successes-*Some Like It Hot*, *The Seven-Year Itch*, *Bus Stop*, and others. The camera loved Marilyn, and photographers were always on hand to take her picture. *Marilyn: Her life in Pictures* chooses from the huge number of images available to produce a fascinating coverage of her eventful but brief life, from photos of her early life, through her first photo shoots with David Conover, and Joseph Jagur, to the iconic images of the films of the 1950s and 1960s.

The Little Book of Marilyn

Everything I Never Told You

The Many Lives of Marilyn Monroe

NOW A LIFETIME MINISERIES STARRING KELLI GARNER AND ACADEMY AWARD® WINNER SUSAN SARANDON World Premiere May 30th & 31st at 8/7c From New York Times bestselling author J. Randy Taraborrelli comes the definitive biography of the most enduring icon in popular American culture. When Marilyn Monroe became famous in the 1950s, the world was told that her mother was either dead or simply not a part of her life. However, that was not true. In fact, her mentally ill mother was very much present in Marilyn's world and the complex family dynamic that unfolded behind the scenes is a story that has never before been told until now. In this groundbreaking book, Taraborrelli draws complex and

sympathetic portraits of the women so influential in the actress' life, including her mother, her foster mother, and her legal guardian. He also reveals, for the first time, the shocking scope of Marilyn's own mental illness, the identity of Marilyn's father and the half-brother she never knew, and new information about her relationship with the Kennedy's-Bobby, Jack, and Pat Kennedy Lawford. Explosive, revelatory, and surprisingly moving, this is the final word on the life of one of the most fascinating and elusive icons of the 20th Century.

Marilyn Monroe

Like her art, Marilyn Monroe was rooted in paradox: She was a powerful star and a childlike waif; a joyful, irreverent party girl with a deeply spiritual side; a superb friend and a narcissist; a dumb blonde and an intellectual. No previous biographer has recognized-much less attempted to analyze-most of these aspects of her personality. Lois Banner has. With new details about Marilyn's childhood foster homes, her sexual abuse, her multiple marriages, her affairs, and her untimely death at the age of thirty-six, Marilyn is, at last, the nuanced biography Monroe fans have been waiting for.

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A personal account of the author's twenty-year relationship with Marilyn Monroe reveals the intimate, vulnerable ingenue who retained her naivete even as Hollywood destroyed her

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4.25 am, 5 August 1962, West Los Angeles Police Department 'Marilyn Monroe has died of an overdose', a man's voice says dully. And when the stunned policeman asked 'What?', the same voice struggled to repeat 'Marilyn Monroe has died. She has committed suicide.' If life were scripted like the movies, this extraordinary phone call would have been made by the most important man in Marilyn Monroe's life - Dr Ralph Greenson, her final psychoanalyst. During her last years Marilyn had come to rely on Greenson more and more. She met with him almost every day. He was her analyst, her friend and her confessor. He was the last person to see her alive, and the first to see her dead. In this highly acclaimed novel, Marilyn's last years - and her last sessions on Dr Greenson's couch - are brilliantly recreated. This is the story of the world's most famous and elusive actress, and the world she inhabited, surrounded by such figures as Arthur Miller, Truman Capote and John Huston. It is a remarkable piece of storytelling that illuminates one of the greatest icons of the twentieth century.

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Goddess . . . legend . . . icon. You thought you knew her, but never before like this. Marilyn Monroe (1926-1962) survived a childhood marked by abuse, neglect, and chaos to become a psychological, cultural, and spiritual phenomenon of the twentieth century. Her remarkable life, brilliant film career, and posthumous legend have been deconstructed in over 600 biographies. Psychotherapist and author Gary Vitacco-Robles reframes and redefines the fascinating woman behind the iconic image through an analysis of her psyche and an appreciation of her film and stage performances. After a decade of meticulous research, Vitacco-Robles offers a treasure trove of facts comprehensively documenting each year of Monroe's inspiring life within the context of her tumultuous times and through her relationships with literary, entertainment, and political figures. Monroe is resurrected a half-century after her tragic death in this detailed and sensitive biography which intelligently explores her passionate desires: to be loved, become a serious actress, and have a family. Based upon interviews, diaries, and personal files, and void of sensationalism, this biography dispels many myths and reveals the ultimate truth about Hollywood's most charismatic, beloved, and enduring star. Robles brings a unique perspective to his biography of Monroe with the extensively detailed account of not only her fascinating and tumultuous life but by presenting a psychological perspective of the many facets of her personality. What sets this book apart is his ability to shed a new light on her humanity and psyche to bring forth a balanced view of the person inside. "Icon" is tribute to the reality of her work, heartache and strengths that coincide with the wonder and complexity of the truly iconic star. Available now. -- Rage Magazine, May 2014

Blonde

This informative title highlights the life of Marilyn Monroe. Readers will learn about Monroe's background from her birth as Norma Jean through her unstable childhood in foster homes and orphanages to her marriage to James Dougherty at age 16. Monroe's early work is discussed, from her beginnings as a model with Blue Book Modeling Agency to her signing with Twentieth Century Fox Studios, and her becoming Marilyn Monroe, through early films such as *Love Happy* and *We're Not Married* to her superstar roles in *Gentlemen Prefer Blondes*, *How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying*, *The Seven Year Itch*, *Some Like it Hot*, and *The Misfits*. Monroe's marriages to Joe DiMaggio and Arthur Miller are examined, as is her relationship with the Kennedy family. Monroe's descent into self-destructive behavior is covered, including her death by drug overdose at age 36. This book includes details of Monroe's life and covers the controversies surrounding her life and death. *Lives Cut Short* is a series in Essential Library, an imprint of ABDO Publishing Company.

Marilyn: Her Life In Her Own Words

Based on new interviews and research, this ground-breaking biography explores the secret selves behind Marilyn Monroe's public facades. Marilyn Monroe. Her beauty still captivates. Her love life still fascinates. Her story still dominates popular culture. Now, drawing on years of research and dozens of new interviews, this biography cuts through decades of lies and secrets and introduces you to the Marilyn Monroe you always wanted to know: a living, breathing, complex woman, bewitching and maddening, brilliant yet flawed. Charles Casillo studies Monroe's life through the context of her times—in the days before feminism. Before there was adequate treatment for Marilyn's struggle with bipolar disorder. Starting with her abusive childhood, this biography exposes how—in spite of her fractured psyche—Marilyn's extreme ambition inspired her to transform each celebrated love affair and each tragedy into another step in her journey towards immortality. Casillo fully explores the last two years of her life, including her involvement with both John F. Kennedy and his brother Robert, and the mystery of her last day. Just a few of Casillo's revelations: *Despite reports of their bitter rivalry, Elizabeth Taylor secretly reached out and tried to help Marilyn during one of her darkest moments. *The existence of Marilyn's semi-nude love scene with Clark Gable—long thought to be lost. *A few nights before she died, Marilyn encountered Warren Beatty at a party and disclosed some of the reasons for her final despair. *A meticulously detailed account of the events of her last day, revealing how a series of miscommunications and misjudgments contributed to her death.

Marilyn Monroe

An intimate memoir recalling a young photographer's relationship with Marilyn Monroe just months before her death, with extraordinary photographs, some of which have never been published. "With the precision of a surgeon, Schiller slices through the façade of Marilyn Monroe in his unflinching memoir. Revealing and readable, it's a book I couldn't put down." —Tina Brown When he pulled his station wagon into the 20th Century-Fox studios parking lot in Los Angeles in 1960, twenty-three-year-old Lawrence Schiller kept telling himself that this was just another assignment, just another pretty girl. But the assignment and the girl were anything but ordinary. Schiller was a photographer for Look magazine and his subject was Marilyn Monroe, America's sweetheart and sex symbol. In this intimate memoir, Schiller recalls the friendship that developed between him and Monroe while he photographed her in Hollywood in 1960 and 1962 on the sets of Let's Make Love and the unfinished feature Something's Got to Give, the last film she worked on. Schiller recalls Marilyn as tough and determined, enormously insecure as an actress but totally self-assured as a photographer's model. Monroe knew how to use her looks and sexuality to generate publicity, and in 1962 she allowed Schiller to publish the first nude photographs of her in over ten years, which she then used as a weapon against a studio that wanted to have her fired—and ultimately succeeded. The Marilyn Schiller knew and writes about was adept at hiding deep psychological scars, but she was also warm and open, candid and disarming, a movie star who wished to be taken more seriously than she was. Accompanying the text are eighteen of the author's own photographs, some never previously published. Many writers have tried to capture her essence on the page, but as someone who was in the room, a young man Marilyn could connect with and trust, Schiller

gives us a unique look at the real woman offscreen. "In this short, splendid memoir, Lawrence Schiller offers us another cut on the scintillating diamond that is Marilyn Monroe. In clear honest straightforward prose, Schiller allows us to dwell in the heart of another time. He captures Marilyn, both in photographs and words, and in so doing he gives us intimate access into one of the great stories of the 20th century: the complicated cocktail of joy and sadness that goes along with both beauty and fame." —Colum McCann From the Hardcover edition.

The Girl

The story of the unloved little girl who grew up to be loved by all.

Norma Jean

Each book in this affordable series is a virtual personal photo album of a legendary entertainer. Packed with photos that are complemented by informative captions, these stunning books tell the fascinating stories behind the lives and careers of some of the twentieth century's most recognizable personalities.

Marilyn Monroe

A look at the life and career of Marilyn Monroe via her archive of artifacts, letters, and documents.

Marilyn & Me

In American popular culture, Marilyn Monroe(1926-1962) has evolved in stature from movie superstar to American icon. Monroe's own understanding of her place in the American imagination and her effort to perfect her talent as an actress are explored with great sensitivity in Carl Rollyson's engaging narrative. He shows how movies became crucial events in the shaping of Monroe's identity. He regards her enduring gifts as a creative artist, discussing how her smaller roles in *The Asphalt Jungle* and *All About Eve* established the context for her career, while in-depth chapters on her more important roles in *Bus Stop*, *Some Like It Hot*, and *The Misfits* provide the centerpiece of his examination of her life and career. Through extensive interviews with many of Monroe's colleagues, close friends, and other biographers, and a careful rethinking of the literature written about her, Rollyson is able to describe her use of Method acting and her studies with Michael Chekhov and Lee Strasberg, head of the Actors' Studio in New York. The author also analyzes several of Monroe's own drawings, diary notes, and letters that have recently become available. With over thirty black and white photographs (some published for the first time), a new foreword, and a new afterword, this volume brings Rollyson's 1986 book up to

date. From this comprehensive, yet critically measured wealth of material, Rollyson offers a distinctive and insightful portrait of Marilyn Monroe, highlighted by new perspectives that depict the central importance of acting to the authentic aspects of her being.

The Many Lives of Marilyn Monroe

"Lydia is dead. But they don't know this yet. So begins the story of this exquisite debut novel, about a Chinese American family living in 1970s small-town Ohio. Lydia is the favorite child of Marilyn and James Lee; their middle daughter, a girl who inherited her mother's bright blue eyes and her father's jet-black hair. Her parents are determined that Lydia will fulfill the dreams they were unable to pursue-in Marilyn's case that her daughter become a doctor rather than a homemaker, in James's case that Lydia be popular at school, a girl with a busy social life and the center of every party. When Lydia's body is found in the local lake, the delicate balancing act that has been keeping the Lee family together tumbles into chaos, forcing them to confront the long-kept secrets that have been slowly pulling them apart. James, consumed by guilt, sets out on a reckless path that may destroy his marriage. Marilyn, devastated and vengeful, is determined to find a responsible party, no matter what the cost. Lydia's older brother, Nathan, is certain that the neighborhood bad boy Jack is somehow involved. But it's the youngest of the family-Hannah-who observes far more than anyone realizes and who may be the only one who knows the truth about what happened. A profoundly moving story of family, history, and the meaning of home, Everything I Never Told You is both a gripping page-turner and a sensitive family portrait, exploring the divisions between cultures and the rifts within a family, and uncovering the ways in which mothers and daughters, fathers and sons, and husbands and wives struggle, all their lives, to understand one another"--

The Life and Opinions of Maf the Dog, and of His Friend Marilyn Monroe

Offering new information about, and strong new insights into, the complex and tragic life of Marilyn Monroe, this biography features photographs of the world-famous movie star taken during the last two months of her life

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A massive, extensively researched, intimate encyclopedia written in an easy-to-use format, featuring more than 1500 categories and details thousands of never-before-published facts and figures about Marilyn. Includes filmography, discography--everything you always wanted to know.

Oh, Careless Love!

"You Are The First One I'm Telling This To. I'll Tell You All. . ." No one looked like her. No one walked like her. No one talked like her. Sexy yet vulnerable, and unexpectedly talented, she was no ordinary screen goddess. Few really knew her. What others wrote, she called "Lies! Lies! Lies!" Here, at last, is Marilyn Monroe's account, in her own singular voice. It was June 1, 1962, her thirty-sixth birthday. Famed photographer and reporter George Barris had come to see Marilyn on the set of what would be her final, unfinished, film. They had met eight years earlier, became friends, and planned to do a picture book and autobiography. Now the time was right. For the next six weeks Barris photographed and interviewed the actress. "Don't believe anything you read about me except this. . ." she told Barris. And so she began to confide the truth about herself. Barris last talked to Marilyn on August 3, less than twenty-four hours before she was found dead in her apartment. At their last meeting, she was effervescent and eager to embrace life. "I feel I'm just getting started," she said. Barris firmly believes that murder, not suicide, caused Marilyn's untimely end and he could not bring himself to publish her thoughts or the haunting photos of that summer--until now. Marilyn: Her Life In Her Own Words is a candid memoir enhanced by 150 black-and-white and color photos, many never before published. A highlight is "The Last Photo Shoot" where Marilyn appears luminous without makeup on the beach at Santa Monica and in a North Hollywood house. This moving book brings Marilyn Monroe back--beautiful, flirtatious, and sweet as a first kiss--for one rare and radiant farewell. George Barris has worked as a photojournalist for many of the country's major magazines, from Life to Cosmopolitan. He is the co-author (with Gloria Steinem) of Marilyn-Norma Jean, and contributed to Norman Mailer's book, Marilyn. He lives in California.

My Story

This national bestselling biography is the insightful and uniquely sensitive account of the iconic 1950s sex symbol from the feminist author and activist. Few books have altered the perception of a celebrity as much as Marilyn. Gloria Steinem reveals that behind the familiar sex symbol lay a tortured spirit with powerful charisma, intelligence, and complexity. The book delves into a topic many other writers have ignored—that of Norma Jeane, the young girl who grew up with an unstable mother, constant shuffling between foster homes, and abuse. Steinem evocatively recreates that world, connecting it to the fragile adult persona of Marilyn Monroe. Her compelling text draws on a long, private interview Monroe gave to photographer George Barris, part of an intended joint project begun during Monroe's last summer. Steinem's Marilyn also includes Barris's extraordinary portraits of Monroe, taken just weeks before the star's death.

Marilyn Monroe

A city, a movie star, and one magical year. In November of 1954 a young woman dressed plainly in a white oxford, dark sunglasses and a black pageboy wig boards a midnight flight from Los Angeles to New York. As the plane's engines rev she breathes a sigh of relief, lights a cigarette and slips off her wig revealing a tangle of fluffy blonde curls. Marilyn Monroe was

leaving Hollywood behind, and along with it a failed marriage and a frustrating career. She needed a break from the scrutiny and insanity of LA. She needed Manhattan. In Manhattan, the most famous woman in the world can wander the streets unbothered, spend hours at the Met getting lost in art, and afternoons buried in the stacks of the Strand. Marilyn begins to live a life of the mind in New York; she dates Arthur Miller, dances with Truman Capote and drinks with Carson McCullers. Even though she had never lived there before, in New York, Marilyn is home. In Marilyn in Manhattan, the iconic blonde bombshell is not only happy, but successful. She breaks her contract with Fox Studios to form her own production company, a groundbreaking move that makes her the highest paid actress in history and revolutionizes the entertainment industry. A true love letter to Marilyn, and a joyous portrait of a city bursting with life and art, Marilyn in Manhattan is a beautifully written, lively look at two American treasures: New York and Marilyn Monroe, and sheds new light on one of our most enduring icons.

The Miracles of Your Mind

At the age of 36, Marilyn Monroe died a Hollywood movie star and became an American legend. This work combines the actress's personal confessions, along with interviews with friends and contemporaries, to reveal the truth behind this Hollywood icon.

Marilyn: Her Life in Her Own Words

An investigation into the debates surrounding Monroe's life evaluates her numerous roles from sex symbol and innocent to crafty manipulator and dumb blonde, drawing on a wide range of published sources to consider the plausibility of numerous disputed facts while considering how her life reflected shifting cultural attitudes. Reprint. 15,000 first printing.

Marilyn: Norma Jeane

Written at the height of her fame but not published until over a decade after her death, this autobiography of actress and sex symbol Marilyn Monroe (1926-1962) poignantly recounts her childhood as an unwanted orphan, her early adolescence, her rise in the film industry from bit player to celebrity, and her marriage to Joe DiMaggio. In this intimate account of a very public life, she tells of her first (non-consensual) sexual experience, her romance with the Yankee Clipper, and her prescient vision of herself as "the kind of girl they found dead in the hall bedroom with an empty bottle of sleeping pills in her hand." The Marilyn in these pages is a revelation: a gifted, intelligent, vulnerable woman who was far more complex than the unwitting sex siren she portrayed on screen. Lavishly illustrated with photos of Marilyn, this special book celebrates the life and career of an American icon—from the unique perspective of the icon herself.

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