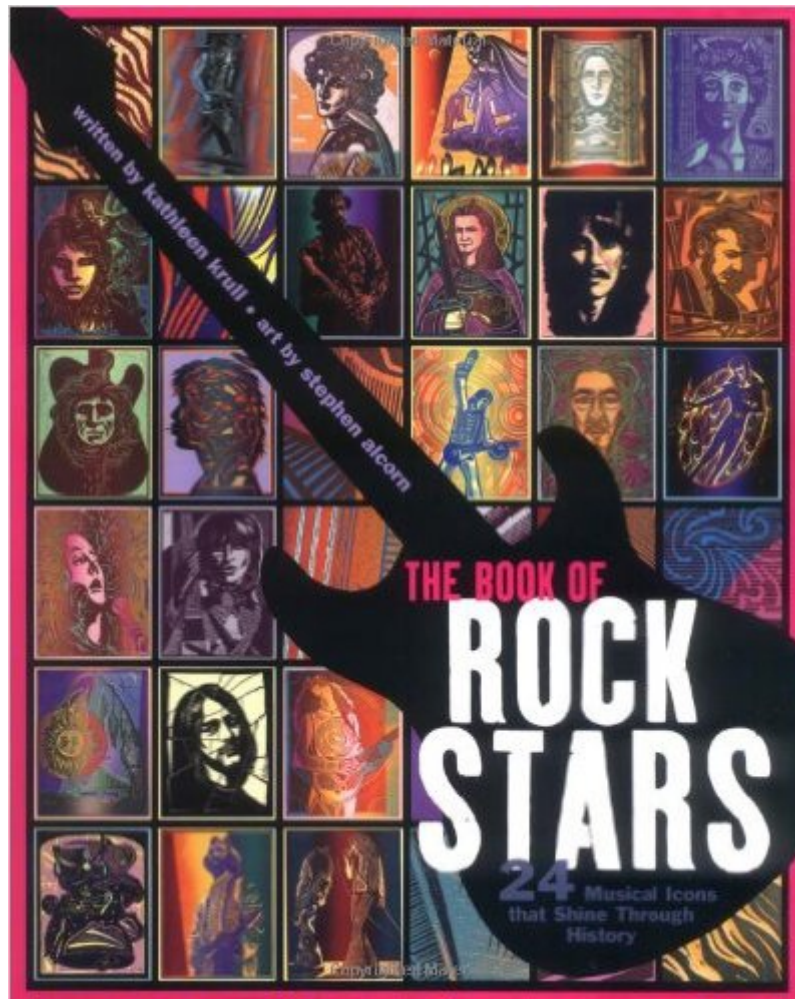


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The Book Of Rock Stars: 24 Musical Icons That Shine Through History



Synopsis

Twenty-four of the greatest figures of rock 'n' roll are celebrated with in-depth mini-biographies and colorful accompanying block prints. Noted non-fiction writer Kathleen Krull has distilled the essence of each musician or band and brought them to life with behind-the-scenes stories, facts, and entertaining anecdotes. Acclaimed printmaker Stephen Alcorn takes up where words leave off with bold and graphic images that keep you turning the pages.

Book Information

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Age Range: 10 - 14 years

Grade Level: 5 - 9

Customer Reviews

As a fan of Krull's phenomenal mini-biography series, I was delighted when I discovered she had written a book about rock stars. I sought the book from my local library immediately, and was disappointed. For starters, the book's illustrations are a different style. They are funky, but don't represent the singers very well. I miss the caricatures that filled Krull's "Lives of the..." series. These pictures are more of an abstract mosaic of relevant (or irrelevant) images. Secondly, I noticed several simple errors in the book's spelling and language structure. The last annoyance is the fact that the book is just so darn short. Each biography- excluding that of the Beatles- is only a page long and sticks to the most basic facts about the singers', their bands, and most famous songs. This book is a good introduction to rock music for younger children. If you're looking for a comprehensive rock history, I highly recommend "Rock & Roll Year by Year" by Luke Crampton and Dafydd Rees.

It is very difficult to buy a gift for my grandson who just turned 14 this month....of course, money is always the perfect gift with a gift certificate to Best Buy or somewhere similar being right up there. But, I do like to come up with something to add to that so he'll have something to actually keep. I felt this book was perfect for him. His Dad plays the bass guitar and I thought he would enjoy reading it as well and the two could discuss it together. I actually read a couple of the rock star "bios" myself and thought it was something he would enjoy at his age...not too long, just right and he could read through quickly and even re-read and learn something about them he may have not known before.

Beautifully illustrated.

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