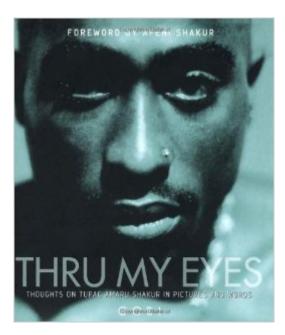
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Thru My Eyes: Thoughts On Tupac Amaru Shakur In Pictures And Words





Synopsis

Nine years after his death, Tupac Shakur's allure is stronger than ever. With more than a quarter of a million copies of his poetry book sold to date; countless Internet sites; the Tupac Amaru Centre in Georgia, USA; university courses dedicated to his poetry and new hit recordings, it's clear that interest in this complex and fascinating artist is still growing. "Thru My Eyes" is a collection of fifty photographs of Tupac, many never seen before by the public. Gathered from the last year of Tupac's life (1995-1996), these are revealing and poignant images that show him pulling away from the dark forces that influenced his life and developing into a mature artist. With text written by Gobi, Tupac's former music video director/producer, business partner and friend, "Thru My Eyes" provides an in-depth look at a frequently misunderstood performer and also reveals the lighter more playful side of Tupac. There are photographs presenting him as a lover of life and sex symbol; photographs of Tupac in frivolous mood, dressed as Rick James; photographs of him playing joyfully with his kids. And of course there are images depicting Tupac working at his crafts - acting and rapping - imbuing every task with the dedication and determination that defined his life.

Book Information

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Customer Reviews

I bought a copy and finished it by the end of the day; I didn't want to stop reading and discovering more. I had no idea Gobi shared such an intimaterelationship with the fallen prince. I have the cds and Resurrectionand other documentaries, but, honestly, this book was the first workthat actually humanized 'Pac for me and painted him as a person. Ithink it was the first person perspective of a

close colleague of histhat made the piece very effective. I got choked up when Gobidescribed visiting him in the hospital. Congratulations. Very nicework.

Beautiful photography. Not at all a cheap compilation that makes Tupac look like a ghetto gangster. His spirit is nicely conveyed, easy reading. I love that it's a hard-cover book. It would make a nice gift for the Tupac fan who doesn't have this book. The author(s) obviously put this together out of love and respect for the late artist.

I was given this book as a gift by a Tupac fan (I'm not a huge fan myself). However, as a music fan and someone who is interested in pop culture, I found the book to be engaging because of the descriptions that come with the photos. Gobi traveled with Tupac for a few years up to his death, and has great insight about this man who is deified by his fans. . . this book (Gobi is a huge fan himself) gives you some "under the surface" perspective about why people think so highly of Tupac. This book is as good as the Kurt Cobain "Letters" book. I would highly recommend to any music fan.

Hello, I've been a Tupac fan since i was in 5th grade and i'm 26 now. I've always loved to read and/or hear about Tupac. I knew that Gobi had been around Tupac the last few months of his life and helped to direct some of his biggest hits for music videos. So I knew that Gobi would have some nice unseen pics, footage, and unheard stories. The book is nice and quick. i read it straight through in one sitting. It's not like a typical book but more of a short small paragraph on one page and a picture on the page beside it. Kind of like a big caption. The book tells how Gobi met Tupac and how he became close good friends and business partners. Gobi shares a few funny stories and also tells you a few stories you may have not heard before about the big heart that Tupac had. The pictures in the book are great too. Some i hadn't seen until i read his book and since i'm reading it late most of the pictures were probably not released until he released this book. Not all the pictures are perfect, some are blurry or you can tell there's movement going on but hell it's fine. As a Tupac fan hardcore i know that the fans don't care what the pic is, if it's footage, audio, or pics of Tupac we want to see and/or hear them. Same with stories and knowing about the "real" Tupac and how he was as a person off the camera. If you're a Tupac fan then this is a great piece for your collection and a nice short read. You see some great pics from behind the scenes of some videos as well as Pac just chillen and goofin off. As i said there are some really cool stories and interesting facts and little known facts that Gobi shares as well. Hopefully his upcoming movie "7 Dayz" will follow up to this great book and even top it with new footage and stories! Hope my review helps, check me out

I bought this book with intentions of ripping out all the Tupac photos for mini posters. It was so nice, no tears or scratches & ITS A USED BOOK! Right now it's on my bookcase but overall I love this book & Tupac '•

THIS WAS SUCH A GOOD BOOK. YOU REALLY GET TO GET INTO TUPAC HEAD AND SEE WHAT HE SAW AND YOU WILL UNDERSTAND A LITTLE BIT MORE OF WHO AND WHAT HE WAS ABOUT

I've read tons of tupac books, this one is really not a reader. It's more of a picture book with captions, if your looking for a book to further learn about tupac i wouldnt recommend it, however the pictures of him are phenomenal.

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