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The New Paramount Book of Blues Rowman & Littlefield

Search the Internet for the 100 best songs or best albums. Dozens of lists will appear from aficionados to major music personalities. But what if you not only love listening to the blues or country music or jazz or rock, you love reading about it, too. How do you separate what matters from what doesn't among the hundreds—sometimes thousands—of books on the music you so love? In the Best Music Books series, readers finally have a quick-and-ready list of the most important works published on modern major music genres by leading experts. In 100 Books Every Blues Fan Should Own, Edward Komara, former Blues Archivist of the University of Mississippi, and his successor Greg Johnson select those histories, biographies, surveys, transcriptions and studies from the many hundreds of works that have been published about this vital American musical genre. Komara and Johnson provide a short description of the contents and the achievement of each title selected for their "Blues 100." Entries include full bibliographic citations, prices of copies in print, and even descriptions of specific editions for book collectors. 100 Books Every Blues Fan Should Own also includes suggested blues recordings to accompany each recommended work, as well as a concluding section on key reference titles—or as Komara and Johnson phrase it: "The Books behind the Blues 100." 100 Books Every Blues Fan Should Own serves as a guide for any blues fan looking for a road map through the history of—and even history of the scholarship on—the blues. Here Komara and Johnson answer the question of not only what is a "blues" book, but which ones are worth owning.

The Original Blues Macmillan

During the last week of school, the students in Mrs. Hartwell's class try to come up with the perfect present for their teacher.

100 Books Every Blues Fan Should Own U of Minnesota Press

Fifty-eight biographies of Paramount blues artists with sensational new information based on years of research: Lovie Austin, Charles Avery, Viola Bartlette, Ed Bell, Eloise Bennett, Arthur "Blind" Blake, Lucille Bogan, Ardell Bragg, Henry Brown, Willie Brown, Hattie Burleson, Bob Call, Ben Covington, Ben Curry, Teddy Darby, Emmett Dickenson, Aletha Dickerson, Mattie Dorsey, Sally Duffie, Amos Easton, Bernice Edwards, Kid Edwards, Will Ezell, Leroy Roscoe Garnett, Clifford Gibson, Roosevelt Graves, Lee Green, George Hannah, Walter Hawkins, Bertha Henderson, Edna Hicks, Eddie House, James Jackson, Charlie Jackson, Louise Johnson, Tommy Johnson, Moses Mason, Hattie McDaniel, Charles McFadden, Sodarisa Miller, Marshall Owens, Charley Patton, Joe Reynolds, Elzadie Robinson, Isadore Rodgers, J.D. Short, Henry Sims, Danny Small, Bessie Mae Smith, Charlie Spand, Freddie Spruell, Frank Stokes, Joel Taggart, Elvie Thomas and Geeshie Wiley, Willard Thomas, Wesley Wallace, Nolan Welsh, "Jabo" Williams.

[Little Blues Book](#) Wise Ink Creative Publishing

The Bluest of Blues Abrams

[Early Blues](#) New York Review of Books

A wildly imaginative novel about a man who is reincarnated over ten thousand lifetimes to be with his one true love: Death herself. "Tales of gods and men akin to Neil Gaiman's Sandman as penned by a kindred spirit of Douglas Adams."—Kirkus Reviews (starred review) First we live. Then we die. And then . . . we get another try? Ten thousand tries, to be exact. Ten thousand lives to "get it right." Answer all the Big Questions. Achieve Wisdom. And Become One with Everything. Milo has had 9,995 chances so far and has just five more lives to earn a place in the cosmic soul. If he doesn't make the cut, oblivion awaits. But all Milo really wants is to fall forever into the arms of Death. Or Suzie, as he calls her. More than just Milo's lover throughout his countless layovers in the Afterlife, Suzie is literally his reason for living—as he dives into one new existence after another,

praying for the day he'll never have to leave her side again. But Reincarnation Blues is more than a great love story: Every journey from cradle to grave offers Milo more pieces of the great cosmic puzzle—if only he can piece them together in time to finally understand what it means to be part of something bigger than infinity. As darkly enchanting as the works of Neil Gaiman and as wisely hilarious as Kurt Vonnegut's, Michael Poore's Reincarnation Blues is the story of everything that makes life profound, beautiful, absurd, and heartbreaking. Because it's more than Milo and Suzie's story. It's your story, too. Praise for Reincarnation Blues "The most fun you'll have reading about a man who has been killed by both catapult and car accident."—NPR "This book made me laugh out loud. And then a page later, it made me sob. Reminiscent of Tom Robbins and Christopher Moore, Poore finds humor in the dark absurdities of life."—Chicago Review of Books "Charming . . . surprisingly light and uplifting . . . It reads like a writer having fun."—New York Journal of Books

All the Blues Come Through Del Rey

The first full and authoritative biography of an American—indeed a world-wide—musical and cultural legend "No one worked harder than B.B. No one inspired more up-and-coming artists. No one did more to spread the gospel of the blues."—President Barack Obama "He is without a doubt the most important artist the blues has ever produced."—Eric Clapton Riley "Blues Boy" King (1925-2015) was born into deep poverty in Jim Crow Mississippi. Wrenched away from his sharecropper father, B.B. lost his mother at age ten, leaving him more or less alone. Music became his emancipation from exhausting toil in the fields. Inspired by a local minister's guitar and by the records of Blind Lemon Jefferson and T-Bone Walker, encouraged by his cousin, the established blues man Bukka White, B.B. taught his guitar to sing in the unique solo style that, along with his relentless work ethic and humanity, became his trademark. In turn, generations of artists claimed him as inspiration, from Jimi Hendrix and Eric Clapton to Carlos Santana and the Edge. King of the Blues presents the vibrant life and times of a trailblazing giant. Witness to dark prejudice and lynching in his youth, B.B. performed incessantly (some 15,000 concerts in 90 countries over nearly 60 years)—in some real way his means of escaping his past. Several of his concerts, including his landmark gig at Chicago's Cook County Jail, endure in legend to this day. His career roller-coasted between adulation and relegation, but he always rose back up. At the same time, his story reveals the many ways record companies took advantage of artists, especially those of color. Daniel de Visé has interviewed almost every surviving member of B.B. King's inner circle—family, band members, retainers, managers, and more—and their voices and memories enrich and enliven the life of this Mississippi blues titan, whom his contemporary Bobby "Blue" Bland simply called "the man."

Discover Blues Improvisation Penguin

An exciting beginning blues harmonica course! the ideas presented are solidly in the blues tradition with great sounding bluesy licks to play, even at the beginning level! Topics include Phrasing Concepts (how small pieces of music, called licks, are organized to create a pleasing solo), 12 Bar Blues Theory, Vibrato, Shakes, and Tongue Blocking. the recording includes all of the harmonica parts notated in the book with accompaniment. This book and its recording use a C major diatonic harmonica. •

[The New Iberia Blues](#) LSU Press

A children's story book about a puppy growing up in the country and learning to play the guitar.

Frog Mountain Blues Algonquin Books

During the 1920s and 1930s, Mississippi produced two of the most significant influences upon twentieth-century culture: the modernist fiction of William Faulkner and the recorded blues songs of African American musicians like Charley Patton, Geeshie Wiley, and Robert Johnson. In Yoknapatawpha Blues, the first book examining both Faulkner and the music of the south, Tim A. Ryan identifies provocative parallels of theme and subject in diverse regional genres and texts. Placing Faulkner's literary texts and prewar country blues song lyrics on equal footing, Ryan illuminates the meanings of both in new and unexpected ways. He provides close analysis of the

Great Mississippi Flood of 1927 in Faulkner's "Old Man" and Patton's "High Water Everywhere"; racial violence in the story "That Evening Sun" and Wiley's "Last Kind Words Blues"; and male sexual dysfunction in Sanctuary and Johnson's "Dead Shrimp Blues." This interdisciplinary study reveals how the characters of Yoknapatawpha County and the protagonists in blues songs similarly strive to assert themselves in a threatening and oppressive world. By emphasizing the modernism found in blues music and the echoes of black vernacular culture in Faulkner's writing, *Yoknapatawpha Blues* links elucidates the impact of both Faulkner's fiction and roots music on the culture of the modern South, and of the nation.

Yoknapatawpha Blues Charlesbridge Publishing

(Easy Piano Songbook). Blues fans can get started playing their favorite tunes with this collection of 50 songs in easy piano format with lyrics. Songs include: Ain't No Sunshine * All Blues * Basin Street Blues * Cross Road Blues (Crossroads) * Every Day I Have the Blues * Fever * I Got It Bad and That Ain't Good * Is You Is, or Is You Ain't (Ma' Baby) * Kansas City * Night Train * Pride and Joy * Route 66 * St. Louis Blues * Stormy Weather (Keeps Rainin' All the Time) * Sweet Home Chicago * The Thrill Is Gone * and more.

First 50 Blues Songs You Should Play on the Piano Chicago Review Press

Best known for his "Legend of Duluoz" novels, including *On the Road* and *The Dharma Bums*, Jack Kerouac is also an important poet. In these eight extended poems, Kerouac writes from the heart of experience in the music of language, employing the same instrumental blues form that he used to fullest effect in *Mexico City Blues*, his largely unheralded classic of postmodern literature. Edited by Kerouac himself, *Book of Blues* is an exuberant foray into language and consciousness, rich with imagery, propelled by rhythm, and based in a reverent attentiveness to the moment. "In my system, the form of blues choruses is limited by the small page of the breastpocket notebook in which they are written, like the form of a set number of bars in a jazz blues chorus, and so sometimes the word-meaning can carry from one chorus into another, or not, just like the phrase-meaning can carry harmonically from one chorus to the other, or not, in jazz, so that, in these blues as in jazz, the form is determined by time, and by the musicians spontaneous phrasing & harmonizing with the beat of time as it waves & waves on by in measured choruses." —Jack Kerouac

King of the Blues Harper Collins

Hailed as an "American counter-culture classic," this "funny" and candid musical memoir offers a delicious glimpse into the 1930s jazz scene (*The Wall Street Journal*) Mezz Mezzrow was a boy from Chicago who learned to play the sax in reform school and pursued a life in music and a life of crime. He moved from Chicago to New Orleans to New York, working in brothels and bars, bootlegging, dealing drugs, getting hooked, doing time, producing records, and playing with the greats, among them Louis Armstrong, Bix Beiderbecke, and Fats Waller. Really the Blues—the jive-talking memoir that Mezzrow wrote at the insistence of, and with the help of, the novelist Bernard Wolfe—is the story of an unusual and unusually American life, and a portrait of a man who moved freely across racial boundaries when few could or did, "the odyssey of an individualist . . . the saga of a guy who wanted to make friends in a jungle where everyone was too busy making money."

Crossroad Blues Abrams

Piano/Keyboard Methods/Series

Indian Blues Hal Leonard Corporation

"Billy Boy Arnold, born in 1935, is one of the few native Chicagoans who both cultivated a career in the blues and stayed in Chicago. His perspective on Chicago's music, people, and places is rare and valuable. Arnold has worked with generations of musicians—from Tampa Red and Howlin' Wolf and to Muddy Waters and Paul Butterfield—on countless recordings, witnessing the decline of country blues, the dawn of electric blues, the onset of blues-inspired rock, and more. Here, with writer Kim Field, he gets it all down on paper—including the story of how he named Bo Diddley Bo Diddley"—

A First Book of Blues The Bluest of Blues

With her smart and playful writing, debut author Metra Ferrari cleverly blends chick-lit with a dash of Greek mythology—the product a winning combination of smart-alecky wit, dreamy escapism, and a quirky yet lovable heroine. Ryan Bell is your typical millennial: surviving on a diet of wine and Netflix, woefully single enough to qualify for cat-lady membership, and renting from a seventy-something Tinder-swiping landlord-turned-bestie. But underneath her chipped-off manicure lies a green thumb that has created miraculous flowers capable of saving mankind from cataclysmic climate change. There's one problem: Only Ryan can grow them. An unusual audience comes to an unorthodox conclusion: Ryan is the heir of the Greek god Artemis. Although Ryan thinks these strange, toga-wearing folks are one kalamata olive short of a Greek salad, she reluctantly enters a hidden world where the Olympians are real and magic flows freely (plus a generous serving of Greek hunks). Talk about one epic identity crisis. Magical demigod or not, the fate of civilization—both mortal and godly—now rests on Ryan's shoulders.

The Blues Faber Piano Adventures

Attracting passionate fans primarily among African American listeners in the South, southern soul draws on such diverse influences as the blues, 1960s-era deep soul, contemporary R & B, neosoul, rap, hip-hop, and gospel. Aggressively danceable, lyrically evocative, and fervidly emotional, southern soul songs often portray unabashedly carnal themes, and audiences delight in the performer-audience interaction and communal solidarity at live performances. Examining the history and development of southern soul from its modern roots in the 1960s and 1970s, David Whiteis highlights some of southern soul's most popular and important entertainers and provides first-hand accounts from the clubs, show lounges, festivals, and other local venues where these performers work. Profiles of veteran artists such as Denise LaSalle, the late J. Blackfoot, Latimore, and Bobby

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Rush—as well as contemporary artists T. K. Soul, Ms. Jody, Sweet Angel, Willie Clayton, and Sir Charles Jones—touch on issues of faith and sensuality, artistic identity and stereotyping, trickster antics, and future directions of the genre. These revealing discussions, drawing on extensive new interviews, also acknowledge the challenges of striving for mainstream popularity while still retaining the cultural and regional identity of the music and maintaining artistic ownership and control in the age of digital dissemination.

Blues Hanon Mel Bay Publications

Blues Book of the Year —Living Blues Association of Recorded Sound Collections Awards for Excellence Best Historical Research in Recorded Blues, Gospel, Soul, or R&B—Certificate of Merit (2018) 2023 Blues Hall of Fame Inductee - Classic of Blues Literature category With this volume, Lynn Abbott and Doug Seroff complete their groundbreaking trilogy on the development of African American popular music. Fortified by decades of research, the authors bring to life the performers, entrepreneurs, critics, venues, and institutions that were most crucial to the emergence of the blues in black southern vaudeville theaters; the shadowy prehistory and early development of the blues is illuminated, detailed, and given substance. At the end of the nineteenth century, vaudeville began to replace minstrelsy as America's favorite form of stage entertainment. Segregation necessitated the creation of discrete African American vaudeville theaters. When these venues first gained popularity, ragtime coon songs were the standard fare. Insular black southern theaters provided a safe haven, where coon songs underwent rehabilitation and blues songs suitable for the professional stage were formulated. The process was energized by dynamic interaction between the performers and their racially-exclusive audience. The first blues star of black vaudeville was Butler "String Beans" May, a blackface comedian from Montgomery, Alabama. Before his bizarre, senseless death in 1917, String Beans was recognized as the "blues master piano player of the world." His musical legacy, elusive and previously unacknowledged, is preserved in the repertoire of country blues singer-guitarists and pianists of the race recording era. While male blues singers remained tethered to the role of blackface comedian, female "coon shouters" acquired a more dignified aura in the emergent persona of the "blues queen." Ma Rainey, Bessie Smith, and most of their contemporaries came through this portal; while others, such as forgotten blues heroine Ora Criswell and her protégé Trixie Smith, ingeniously reconfigured the blackface mask for their own subversive purposes. In 1921 black vaudeville activity was effectively nationalized by the Theater Owners Booking Association (T.O.B.A.). In collaboration with the emergent race record industry, T.O.B.A. theaters featured touring companies headed by blues queens with records to sell. By this time the blues had moved beyond the confines of entertainment for an exclusively black audience. Small-time black vaudeville became something it had never been before—a gateway to big-time white vaudeville circuits, burlesque wheels, and fancy metropolitan cabarets. While the 1920s was the most glamorous and remunerative period of vaudeville blues, the prior decade was arguably even more creative, having witnessed the emergence, popularization, and early development of the original blues on the African American vaudeville stage.

First Day Blues Hal Leonard Corporation

(Easy Piano Songbook). Do you feel you've learned enough piano skills to take on some jazz tunes? This book is designed to let beginners dive into jazz standards with success. The arrangements, although easy, are full enough to make you sound great. Lyrics are also included. This collection features 50 of the best jazz standards ever, including: All the Things You Are * Autumn in New York * Body and Soul * Don't Get Around Much Anymore * Fly Me to the Moon (In Other Words) * Georgia on My Mind * The Girl from Ipanema (Garota De Ipanema) * It Could Happen to You * Misty * My Funny Valentine * Night and Day * Satin Doll * Speak Low * Summertime * The Way You Look Tonight * When I Fall in Love * You Stepped Out of a Dream * and more.

The Country Blues Grove Press

This little book transcends geographical, social, and economic boundaries to search the heart and soul of the blues, looking for rules to live by, hope for the downtrodden, cautionary tales for the good times, and truths that "hurt so good". Sometimes, you just gotta be blue. But, as this book goes to show, that's okay—because you're never alone.

Bruno's Blues Wise Publications

(Fake Book). Since the 1970s, *The Real Book* has been the most popular book for gigging jazz musicians. Hal Leonard is proud to publish completely legal and legitimate editions of the original volumes as well as exciting new volumes to carry on the tradition to new generations of players in all styles of music! All the Real Books feature hundreds of time-tested songs in accurate arrangements in the famous easy-to-read, hand-written notation. 300 blues essentials are included in this collection: All Your Love (I Miss Loving) * Baby Please Don't Go * Big Boss Man * Blues Before Sunrise * The Blues Is Alright * Boom Boom * Born Under a Bad Sign * Cheaper to Keep Her * Come on in My Kitchen * Crosscut Saw * Damn Right, I've Got the Blues * Dust My Broom * Every Day I Have the Blues * Evil * Five Long Years * Further on up the Road * Gangster of Love * Give Me Back My Wig * Good Morning Little Schoolgirl * Got My Mo Jo Working * Have You Ever Loved a Woman * Hide Away * How Long, How Long Blues * I Ain't Got You * I Got Love If You Want It * I'm Tore Down * I'm Your Hoochie Coochie Man * It Hurts Me Too * Juke * Key to the Highway * Killing Floor * Let Me Love You Baby * Look on Yonder's Wall * Mama Talk to Your Daughter * Master Charge * Messin' with the Kid * My Babe * Phone Booth * Pride and Joy * Reconsider Baby * Rock Me Baby * Rock Me Right * Smokestack Lightning * Somebody Loan Me a Dime * Statesboro Blues * (They Call It) Stormy Monday (Stormy Monday Blues) * Sweet Home Chicago * Texas Flood * The Things That I Used to Do * The Thrill Is Gone * Wang Dang Doodle * and more.