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Depeche Mode: A Biography



Synopsis

Revised, expanded, and updated, the tale of an enigmatic band, from humble beginnings through the destructive highs and magnificent lows to worldwide adulation as the masters of electric pop. Written with the band's cooperation, this biography throws light on this private, frequently misunderstood group and their lives, which have been bizarre, hilarious, extreme, and destructive through three decades of success and excessive celebration. It reveals three completely different personalities that form Depeche Mode: reckless, flamboyant Gahan; quiet, artistic Gore; and pragmatic, confrontational Fletcher. Since the 1980s the threesome has survived frequently colliding egos, marriages, the departure of band members Vince Clarke and Alan Wilder, and the bizarre vicissitudes of global fame, to create a working partnership that has lasted for decades—here is their story.

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Customer Reviews

Steve Malins is the author of Gary Numan's authorized biography and biographies on Paul Weller and Radiohead. He was a contributing editor for Q magazine for five years and has also written for the Sunday Times, Time Out, and Vox. He was executive producer on three Gary Numan albums and has worked with other artists such as Siouxsie and the Banshees.

Probably the best Depeche bio, very detailed. The cover however.... Why did they pick this picture? And this least successful incarnation of the band as a trio? It didn't exactly make me want to buy this

book. I'd prefer a classic photo from the glory days with Wilder or Clarke included.

On 14 April, 1997 Depeche Mode released Ultra, the album that no one, not even the band at various points, believed would be completed. It went straight in to the UK charts at No. 1

Awesome!

Well, I love all things Depeche Mode and this was a very interesting read. Quite a bit of the history of the band I was already aware of, and other history was clarified in this book. It is on my Kindle and I will definitely re-read in the future as I enjoyed it that much.

Great read!

Great bio.

Great book, lots of interesting info for depeche fans but wish more of it was from pov of Dave Gahan or Martin Gore, for this reason I meant to give it 4 1/2 stars but it posted 5 too fast!

Interesting read, I like the fact that it starts from the beginning and gets updated. So get the latest version.

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