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Bad Mags 2: The Strangest, Sleaziest, And Most Unusual Periodicals Ever Published!



Synopsis

BAD MAGS VOL 2 continues to collect the colourful and sometimes shocking news-stand publications of the 1960s through to the 1980s that together provide a fascinating and occasionally biased, humorous and exploitative counterpoint to news events and the burgeoning counterculture scene. Chapters are divided into subject categories for easy reference, such as sexploitation, Sharon Tate and Charles Manson, Ed Wood Jr, outlaw bikers, the occult, the mob and punk. Author Tom Brinkmann has spoken with many of the individuals responsible for these magazines, some of whom are referenced here for the first time. BAD MAGS VOL 2 also provides comprehensive background details on the creators and often maverick publishers, along with plenty of anecdotal information, mind bending extracts and hundreds of rare photos and cover reproductions.

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Customer Reviews

.....If you are a collector of Mansonabilia and all ephemera true crime related with a dose of Satan and Myron Fass thrown in! I have both volumes of this title and if I were limited to just buying one of the volumes of Bad Mags, Volume 2 would be the one I would pick, in spades! Not that I'm an enemy of Sexploitation and Sleaze, as heavily featured in Volume 1. It's more that Volume 2 is a better tool in the things I collect and a much better reference therefore. Just the photos alone would make this a valuable reference, and the descriptions of all the mags within are succinct and not only useful, but valuable. My only caveat would be that there is not enough color. It must be a typo on

the publishers part, but in the ad for the books at the rear of volume 2 it says that both volumes have 8 pages of color, each. Perhaps that was the total of the 2 volumes taken together, but even with the dearth of color, I recommend this title in a big way, especially to anyone interested in the minutia of the obscure and the savagely esoteric. Mr. Brinkman is to be thanked by the rank and file of the great unwashed collector of the bizarre, and no, I'm NOT the Jeff Goodman who endorses the book on it's rear cover, just another in a long line of fans of this type of material who have similar names and tastes....maybe it's astrological, somehow!

I was let down by this book. While I appreciate the basic historical information and some of the essays, the majority of the book reads like an index. I was hoping there would have been more actual content/articles from the magazines themselves and more color. I guess if you were a hardcore collector of these magazines this would be a decent guide, but for a leisurely read I'd recommend Its a Man's World; Men's Adventure Magazines, The Post-War Pulps.

This book, is a wonderful, little insight, on a time period, that I find very interesting. Witches, satanism, California, Manson, Tate, and all things, dark, are found here. I wish there were more publications, today, that are found in this book. Not For The Innocent!

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