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**Python beyond Python** Paul N. Reinsch 2017-07-14 This collection of original, interdisciplinary essays addresses the work of Monty Python members beyond the comedy show, films, and live performances. These men are prolific creators in a variety of artistic realms beyond the confines of the comedy troupe. Their work as individuals, before and after coming together as Monty Python, demonstrates a restless curiosity about culture that embraces absurdity but seldom becomes cynical. Python members collectively and individually create unique approaches to theatre, film, video games, comic books, business training videos and more. Python Beyond Python increases our understanding of this often neglected work and the meanings of Monty Python.

**Monty Python** Douglas McCall 2013-11-12 A chronological listing of the creative output and other antics of the members of the British comedy group Monty Python, both as a group and individually. Coverage spans between 1969 (the year Monty Python's Flying Circus debuted) and 2012. Entries include television programs, films, stage shows, books, records and interviews. Back matter features an appendix of John Cleese's hilarious business-training films; an index of Monty Python's sketches and songs; an index of Eric Idle's sketches and songs; as well as a general index and selected bibliography.

**The Frog Prince of Spamalot** Edith Weiss 2006

**Actors and Performers Yearbook 2018** 2017-11-16 Actors and Performers Yearbook is an established and respected directory that enables actors to find work in stage, screen and radio. It is the only directory to provide detailed information for each listing and specific advice on how to approach companies and individuals, saving hours of further research. From agents and casting directors to producing theatres, showreel companies and photographers, Actors and Performers Yearbook editorially selects only the most relevant and reputable contacts for the actor. Actors and Performers Yearbook features articles and commentaries, providing valuable insight into the profession: auditions, interviews and securing work

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**A Book about the Film Monty Python's The Meaning of Life** Darl Larsen 2020-06-29 This reference identifies and explains the cultural, historical, and topical allusions in the film Monty Python's Meaning of Life, the Pythons' third and final original feature as a complete group. In this resource, virtually every allusion and reference that appears in the film is identified and explained—from Britain's waning Empire through the Winter of Discontent to Margaret Thatcher's second-term mandate, from playing fields to battle fields, and from accountant pirates to sacred sperm. Organized chronologically by scene, the entries cover literary and metaphoric allusions, symbolisms, names, peoples, and places; as well as the many social, cultural, and historical elements that populate this film, and the Pythons' work in general.

**Life isn't everything** Ash Carter 2019-11-12 An up close and personal portrait of a legendary filmmaker, theater director, and comedian, drawing on candid conversations with his closest friends in show business and the arts—from Dustin Hoffman and Meryl Streep to Natalie Portman and Lorne Michaels. The work of Mike Nichols pervades American cultural consciousness—from The Graduate and Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf? to Angels in America, The Birdcage, Working Girl, and Primary Colors, not to mention his string of hit plays, including Barefoot in the Park and The Odd Couple. If that weren't enough, he was also one half of the timelessly funny duo Nichols & May, as well as a founding member of the original improv troupe. Over a career that spanned half a century, Mike Nichols changed Hollywood, Broadway, and comedy forever. Most fans, however, know very little of the person behind it all. Since he never wrote his memoirs, and seldom appeared on television, they have very little sense of his searching intellect or his devastating wit. They don't know that Nichols, the great American director, was born Mikail Igor Peschkowsky, in Berlin, and came to this country, speaking no English, to escape the Nazis. They don't know that Nichols was at one time a solitary

psychology student, or that a childhood illness caused permanent, life-altering side effects. They don't know that he withdrew into a debilitating depression before he "finally got it right," in his words, by marrying Diane Sawyer. Here, for the first time, Ash Carter and Sam Kashner offer an intimate look behind the scenes of Nichols' life, as told by the stars, moguls, playwrights, producers, comics and crewmembers who stayed loyal to Nichols for years. Life Isn't Everything is a mosaic portrait of a brilliant and original director known for his uncommon charm, wit, vitality, and genius for friendship, this volume is also a snapshot of what it meant to be living, loving, and making art in the 20th century.

**Stage Money** Tim Donahue 2012-12-07 Stage Money is a groundbreaking guide to understanding professional theater finances today through the use of the tools and metaphors of the business world at large. This approach results in a comprehensive picture of the economic realities of theater production that is radically different from the assessments typically espoused elsewhere. Tim Donahue and Jim Patterson combine their experiences in the financial and creative aspects of theater production to present in straightforward prose their keen insights into the micro- and macro-economic aspects of the commercial stage. Tangible data, charts, and graphs are counterbalanced with illuminating "intermissions" between chapters and interspersed sidebars throughout to provide specific examples of key concepts, collectively presenting an expansive overview of the contemporary theater business. Stage Money is an unparalleled tool for theater professionals and enthusiasts interested in garnering a better understanding of the business's inner workings at present and its challenges for the future. Among the topics addressed in Stage Money are the risks and returns on Broadway in the early twenty-first century, the financial organization of theater performances today, and comparisons between the business models of commercial theater and not-for-profit theater. In concise language and clear examples, the authors explain where the money comes from and where it goes.

**Hotel Frankenstein** Michael Goodman 1993-03

*Actors' and Performers' Yearbook 2020* Lloyd Trott 2019-10-31 This well-established and respected directory supports actors in their training and search for work on stage, screen and radio. It is the only directory to provide detailed information for each listing and specific advice on how to approach companies and individuals, saving hours of further research. From agents and casting directors to producing theatres, showreel companies, photographers and much more, this essential reference book editorially selects only the most relevant and reputable contacts for the actor. With several new articles including The multi-hyphenate comedy actor-performer-writer; Ignition, inspiration and the imposter; Be prepared for publicity; and Equity pension scheme, *Actors' and Performers' Yearbook 2020* features aspects of the profession not previously covered, as well as continuing to provide valuable insight into auditions, interviews and securing work

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**Arts and Technology** Fay Huang 2010-01-06 We welcome you to the First International Conference on Arts and Technology (ArtsIT 2009), hosted by CSIE of the National Ilan University and co-organized by the National Science Council, ICST, College of EECS at National Ilan University, Software Simulation Society in Taiwan, ISAC, TCA, NCHC, CREATE-NET, and Institute for Information Industry. ArtsIT2009 was held in Yilan, Taiwan, during September 24–25, 2009. The conference comprised the following themes: • New Media Technologies (Evolutionary systems that create arts or display art works, such as tracking sensors, wearable computers, mixed reality, etc. ) • Software Art (Image processing or computer graphics techniques that create arts, including algorithmic art, mathematic art, advanced modeling and rendering, etc. ) • Animation Techniques (2D or 3D computer animations, AI-based animations, etc. ) • Multimedia (Integration of different media, such as virtual reality systems, audio, performing arts, etc. ) • Interactive Methods (Vision-based tracking and recognition, interactive art, etc. ) The conference program started with an opening ceremony, followed by three keynote speeches and four technical sessions distributed over a period of two days. Two poster sessions, one hour each, were scheduled before the afternoon oral sessions. An Interactive Arts Exhibition was held in conjunction with ArtsIT 2009. Twelve well-known digital arts teams from Taiwan exhibited 15 artworks in this event, including 10 interactive installation arts, 4 video arts, and 1 digital print. The conference received around 50 submissions from 15 different countries.

**A Book about the Film Monty Python and the Holy Grail** Darl Larsen 2015-03-06 This exhaustive reference identifies and explains the plethora of cultural, historical, and topical allusions in the film *Monty Python and the Holy Grail*, the first original film by the British comedy troupe.

**From Camelot to Spamalot** Megan Woller 2021-03-22 For centuries, Arthurian legend has captured imaginations throughout Europe and the Americas with its tales of Camelot, romance, and chivalry. The ever-shifting, age-old tale of King Arthur and his world is one which depends on retellings for its endurance in the cultural imagination. Using adaptation theory as a framework, *From Camelot to Spamalot* foregrounds the role of music in selected Arthurian adaptations, examining six stage and film musicals. The book considers how musical versions in twentieth and twenty-first century popular culture interpret the legend of King Arthur, contending that music guides the audience to understand this well-known tale and its characters in new and unexpected ways. All of the productions considered include an overtly modern perspective on the legend, intruding and even commenting on the tale of King Arthur. Shifting from an idealistic utopia to a silly place,

the myriad notions of Camelot offer a look at the importance of myth in American popular culture. Author Megan Woller's approach, rooted in the literary theory of scholars like Linda Hutcheon, highlights the intertextual connections between chosen works and Arthurian legend. In so doing, *From Camelot to Spamalot* intersects with and provides a timely contribution to several different fields of study, from adaptation studies and musical theater studies to film studies and Arthurian studies.

**Monty Python's Flying Circus** Darl Larsen 2008-06-13 Known for its outrageous humor, occasionally controversial content, and often silly spirit, Monty Python's Flying Circus poked fun at nearly everything. Indeed, many of the allusions and references in the program were routinely obscure, and therefore, not always understood or even noticed. This exhaustive reference identifies and explains the plethora of cultural, historical, and topical allusions of this landmark series. In this resource, virtually every allusion and reference that appeared in an episode is identified and explained. Organized chronologically by episode, each entry is listed alphabetically, indicates what sketch it appeared in, and is cross-referenced between episodes. Scholars and fans who already appreciate the silliness of the Pythons can also enjoy the acculturated know-it-all-ness of their heroes.

*Let's Put on a Show!* Stewart F. Lane 2009-04-01 For novice and first-time theatre producers at all levels, but especially in community and regional theatre. Offers how-tos on the fundamentals of every aspect of production.

*Beyond Broadway* Stacy Ellen Wolf 2019-12-23 The idea of American musical theatre often conjures up images of bright lights and big city, but its lifeblood is found in amateur productions at high schools, community theatres, afterschool programs, summer camps, and dinner theatres. In *Beyond Broadway*, author Stacy Wolf looks at the widespread presence and persistence of musical theatre in U.S. culture, and examines it as a social practice - a live, visceral experience of creating, watching, and listening. Why does local musical theatre flourish in America? Why do so many Americans continue to passionately engage in a century-old artistic practice that requires intense, person-to-person collaboration? And why do audiences still flock to musicals in their hometowns? Touring American elementary schools, a middle school performance festival, afterschool programs, high schools, summer camps, state park outdoor theatres, community theatres, and dinner theatres from California to Tennessee, Wolf illustrates musical theatre's abundance and longevity in the U.S. as a thriving social activity that touches millions of lives.

*Always Look on the Bright Side of Life* Eric Idle 2018-10-02 From the ingenious comic performer, founding member of Monty Python, and creator of *Spamalot*, comes an absurdly funny memoir of unparalleled wit and heartfelt candor. We know him best for his unforgettable roles on Monty Python--from the Flying Circus to *The*

*Meaning of Life*. Now, Eric Idle reflects on the meaning of his own life in this entertaining memoir that takes us on a remarkable journey from his childhood in an austere boarding school through his successful career in comedy, television, theater, and film. Coming of age as a writer and comedian during the Sixties and Seventies, Eric stumbled into the crossroads of the cultural revolution and found himself rubbing shoulders with the likes of George Harrison, David Bowie, and Robin Williams, all of whom became dear lifelong friends. With anecdotes sprinkled throughout involving other close friends and luminaries such as Mike Nichols, Mick Jagger, Steve Martin, Paul Simon, Lorne Michaels, and many more, as well as John Cleese and the Pythons themselves, Eric captures a time of tremendous creative output with equal parts hilarity and heart. In *Always Look on the Bright Side of Life*, named for the song he wrote for *Life of Brian* and which has since become the number one song played at funerals in the UK, he shares the highlights of his life and career with the kind of offbeat humor that has delighted audiences for five decades. The year 2019 marks the fiftieth anniversary of *The Pythons*, and Eric is marking the occasion with this hilarious memoir chock full of behind-the-scenes stories from a high-flying life featuring everyone from Princess Leia to Queen Elizabeth.

**Monty Python** Richard Topping 2014-03-03 Have you ever wanted to be a lumberjack? Had trouble with a dead parrot? Or gone for a silly walk? Combining outrageous humour, unbridled creativity and surreal animation, John Cleese, Michael Palin, Graham Chapman, Terry Gilliam, Terry Jones and Eric Idle entertained millions and inspired generations of future comedians. Including all Monty Python material ever produced, from the Flying Circus to the *Life of Brian* to *Spamalot!* with biographies, programme guides and a filmography, this is a must-have plethora of Pythonism and a fitting tribute to comedic pioneers.

*Ever After* Barry Singer 2021-09-01 *Ever After* remains far more than a detailed show-by-show history. With nearly one hundred first-person interviews, it is also a definitive behind-the-scenes account of how those shows were made. Singer invites the people who created the last forty years of musical theater on and off Broadway to tell their own stories. From an unparalleled look at *A Chorus Line*'s final bow through the revolutionary evolution of *Sunday in the Park with George*, as recounted by Stephen Sondheim, the tragic triumph of *Rent*, the real people behind Disney's mega-musicals, and even an afternoon with Andrew Lloyd Webber, *Ever After* proceeds to a moment-by-moment account of the birth of *Wicked*, by composer Stephen Schwartz; the extraordinary journeys of shows like *Fun Home*, *Dear Evan Hansen*, *The Band's Visit*, and *Hadestown*, through the eyes of their respective creators; and, finally, the miracle of *Hamilton*, as reconstructed by its producer Jeffrey Seller. *Ever After* celebrates new generations of musical theater artists via extended interviews with Jeanine Tesori, David Yazbek, Rachel Chavkin, Billy Porter, Laura Benanti, Audra McDonald, Julie Taymor, Adam Guettel, Ricky Ian Gordon, Jason Robert Brown, and many more. *Ever*

After also closely documents the evolving contributions of women and persons of color to the past forty years of musical theater: their triumphs, their setbacks, and their centrality to musical theater's future. Through his work for the New York Times, the New Yorker, the Huffington Post, and Playbill, Singer has been a firsthand witness to the past forty years of musical theater on Broadway and off. No one is better equipped to write the history of this era. *Ever After* is the first and the last word on the subject.

The Book of Mormon Script Book Trey Parker 2011-06-07 The only official companion book to the Tony Award winner for Best Musical from the creators of South Park and the co-creator of Avenue Q. Features the complete script and song lyrics, with 4-color spot illustrations throughout, an original introduction by the creators, and a foreword by Mark Harris. The Book of Mormon, which follows a pair of mismatched Mormon boys sent on a mission to a place that's about as far from Salt Lake City as you can get, features book, music, and lyrics by Trey Parker, Robert Lopez and Matt Stone. Parker and Stone are the four-time Emmy Award-winning creators of Comedy Central's landmark animated series South Park. Tony Award-winner Lopez is co-creator of the long-running hit musical comedy Avenue Q. The Book of Mormon is choreographed by three-time Tony Award-nominee Casey Nicholaw (Monty Python's Spamalot, The Drowsy Chaperone) and is directed by Nicholaw and Parker. The book includes • an original foreword by journalist Mark Harris (author of Pictures at a Revolution) • an original introduction by the authors on the genesis of the show • a production history • the complete book and lyrics, with four-color spot illustrations throughout.

The Fat Lady Sings Charlie Lovett 2011-05-01 When real life sucks, there's always theatre. Sassy, irreverent Aggie Stockdale should have gotten the lead in her high school's production of Hello Dolly! It's her dream role; she's had the part memorized since she was ten; and she and Roger Morton, who's playing the male lead, definitely had chemistry in the audition. But Aggie isn't just a talented actress, writer, and athlete. She's also the fattest girl in the senior class. What happens after she checks the cast list for the musical will hurl Aggie into an unexpected journey of tears, friendship, jealousy, revenge, Oreos, and lots and lots of theatre. She'll discover hidden talents and new friends; she'll survive a daunting audition and revel in a thrilling opening night; she'll search for love, inspiration, help with her math homework, and the perfect closing number; and her emotional ride won't be over 'til the fat lady sings.

Consumed: How Markets Corrupt Children, Infantilize Adults, and Swallow Citizens Whole Benjamin R. Barber 2008-03-17 "Powerful and disturbing. No one who cares about the future of our public life can afford to ignore this book." —Jackson Lears A powerful sequel to Benjamin R. Barber's best-selling *Jihad vs. McWorld*, *Consumed* offers a vivid portrait of an overproducing global economy that targets children as consumers in a market where there are never enough shoppers and where the primary goal is no longer to manufacture

goods but needs. To explain how and why this has come about, Barber brings together extensive empirical research with an original theoretical framework for understanding our contemporary predicament. He asserts that in place of the Protestant ethic once associated with capitalism—encouraging self-restraint, preparing for the future, protecting and self-sacrificing for children and community, and other characteristics of adulthood—we are constantly being seduced into an "infantilist" ethic of consumption.

Monty Python and the Holy Grail John Cleese 2002 The Monty Python team's first feature film is a mock-heroic tale set in Medieval Britain.

Little Shoppe of Horrors #34 Little Shoppe of Horrors Little Shoppe of Horrors #34 Terence Fisher's Romantic Hero! In 1961, Hollywood star Cary Grant Came to Hammer about making a horror film with them – THE PHANTOM OF THE OPERA. That hard to believe arrangement never came off, but Hammer would go on to make a very stylish and affecting version of the Leroux story. It was the film, though, that sent Hammer's best director, Terence Fisher, into the wilderness of cheaper productions, as he was held responsible for the lack of box office in the United Kingdom (It was a big hit in the U.S.A.). Now LSoH gives you the inside story of this wonderfully romantic and beautifully made movie. Featuring – The Making of Hammer's (1961) THE PHANTOM OF THE OPERA by Bruce G. Hallenbeck. The Phantom of the Opera: A Musical Reminiscence by Farnham Scott. Edwin Astley (Music Composer), interview by Randall Larson. My Memories of Heather Sears (Christine) by Duncan Moss. "Jane Merrow" by Colin Beardmore. The Phantom and the Censor – A Phantom For All the Family by Denis Meikle. "Michael Gough" by Dr. David Soren. "Both Eyes Open" - An In-depth look at Hammer's Phantom by Kirk Henderson. "Prologue: The Opera Ghost" – The Universal Phantoms Before Hammer by Denis Meikle. Also in the issue Interviews: Burt Kwouk (Cato in "The Pink Panther" Series, The Terror of the Tongs, Curse of the Fly) conducted by David Taylor. Susan Penhaligon (The Land That Time Forgot, the Louis Jourdan DRACULA) conducted by Mark F. Berry. A History of Horror Film Fanzines: BLACK ORACLE / CINEMACABRE By Richard Klemensen, George Stover, Steve Vertlieb & David Ellis. Front Cover by Mark Maddox Back Cover by Neil Vokes Inside Front Cover by Adrian Salmon. Inside Back Cover by Paul Watts.

Singular Sensation Michael Riedel 2021-10-19 "Fun and gossipy." —The Wall Street Journal \* "A masterful history." —Publishers Weekly (starred review) \* "Engaging." —Newsweek A "brisk, insightful, and deliciously detailed take" (Kirkus Reviews) on a transformative decade on Broadway, featuring behind-the-scenes accounts of shows such as Rent, Angels in America, Chicago, The Lion King, and The Producers—shows that changed the history of the American theater. The 1990s was a decade of profound change on Broadway. At the dawn of the nineties, the British invasion of Broadway was in full swing, as musical spectacles like Les

Miserables, Cats, and The Phantom of the Opera dominated the box office. But Andrew Lloyd Webber's Sunset Boulevard soon spelled the end of this era and ushered in a new wave of American musicals, beginning with the ascendance of an unlikely show by a struggling writer who reimagined Puccini's opera La Bohème as the smash Broadway show Rent. American musical comedy made its grand return, culminating in The Producers, while plays, always an endangered species on Broadway, staged a powerful comeback with Tony Kushner's Angels in America. A different breed of producers rose up to challenge the grip theater owners had long held on Broadway, and corporations began to see how much money could be made from live theater. And just as Broadway had clawed its way back into the mainstream of American popular culture, the September 11 attacks struck fear into the heart of Americans who thought Times Square might be the next target. But Broadway was back in business just two days later, buoyed by talented theater people intent on bringing New Yorkers together and supporting the economics of an injured city. "Told with all the wit and style readers could wish for" (Booklist) Michael Riedel presents the drama behind every mega-hit or shocking flop. From the bitter feuds to the surprising collaborations, all the intrigue of a revolutionary era in the Theater District is packed into Singular Sensation. Broadway has triumphs and disasters, but the show always goes on.

**Actors and Performers Yearbook 2016** Lloyd Trott 2015-12-03 Actors and Performers Yearbook is an established and respected directory that enables actors to find work in stage, screen and radio. It is the only directory to provide detailed information for each listing and specific advice on how to approach companies and individuals, saving hours of further research. From agents and casting directors to producing theatres, showreel companies and photographers, Actors and Performers Yearbook editorially selects only the most relevant and reputable contacts for the actor. Actors and Performers Yearbook features articles and commentaries, providing valuable insight into the profession: auditions, interviews and securing work alongside a casting calendar and advice on contracts and finance. This is an incredibly useful professional tool in an industry where contacts and networking are key to career survival. The listings detailed in this edition have been thoroughly updated alongside fresh advice from industry experts.

**Every Brilliant Thing** Duncan Macmillan 2017-03-16 You're six years old. Mum's in hospital. Dad says she's "done something stupid." She finds it hard to be happy. So you start to make a list of everything that's brilliant about the world. Everything that's worth living for. 1. Ice cream. 2. Kung Fu movies. 3. Burning things. 4. Laughing so hard you shoot milk out your nose. 5. Construction cranes. 6. Me. You leave it on her pillow. You know she's read it because she's corrected your spelling. Soon, the list will take on a life of its own. A play about depression and the lengths we will go to for those we love.

*The Director's Vision* Louis E. Catron 2015-05-04 The pursuit of excellence in theatre is well served by the latest edition of this eminently readable text by two directors with wide-ranging experience. In an engaging, conversational manner, the authors deftly combine a focus on artistic vision with a practical, organized methodology that allows beginning and established directors to bring a creative script interpretation to life for an audience.

*The Shakespeare Revue* Christopher Luscombe 2000

**The Commercial Theater Institute Guide to Producing Plays and Musicals** 2007-01-01 Includes: Rachel Crothers' *Man's World*; Susan Glaspell's *Trifles*; Georgia Douglas Johnson's *Plumes*; Sophie Treadwell's *Machinal*; Zona Gale's *Miss Lulu Bett*.

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*Pass the Butler* Eric Idle 1982

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**The Playbill Broadway Yearbook** Robert Viagas 2006-08-01 (Playbill Broadway Yearbook). This second

edition of The Playbill Broadway Yearbook has a chapter for each of the 71 Broadway shows that were running between June 2005 and May 2006, including "alumni" pages for shows held over from previous seasons. In addition, every show has a correspondent who records the special moments and relationships that develop during rehearsals and the run. Actor hangouts, most memorable ad-lib, celebrity visitors, and the record number of cell phone rings during a performance are among the information recorded. An insider Events section reports on such annual milestones as The Tony Awards, Gypsy of the Year, Broadway Bares, and the annual Broadway softball championship in Central Park Once again, in addition to all the headshots of all the actors who appeared in Playbill, the book includes photos of producers, writers, designers, stage managers, stagehands and musicians. The goal is to include as many of the faces who worked on Broadway as possible. As a special treat, the Yearbook includes photos of opening night curtain calls from many shows. This is a book no Broadway buff will want to be without.

Covid Cancer Craic Issy Hogg 2022-01-12 Being diagnosed with incurable cancer that had spread to the liver and bones, might justifiably be regarded as a bad day at the oncologist's office. Add to this a fractured neck, a life expectancy of six months and isolation from loved ones due to Covid lockdowns, and one could be forgiven for descending into the depth of despair. But not Issy Hogg. On receiving the news, this indefatigable and fun-loving defence lawyer told her oncologist, in true Shakespearean style, that she had no intention of 'shuffling off this mortal coil' anytime soon. Issy then began regaling family and friends with a series of amusing and inspirational posts providing updates on her experience in hospital, treatment programme and anecdotes from an eventful professional and personal life. Over a year beyond her death sentence, Issy has committed her experiences to this book. The primary aim being to share the overwhelming benefits of positive thought and a, literary, 'never say die' approach with those who encounter or fear unwelcome life-changing events of whatever nature.

*Always Look on the Bright Side of Life* Eric Idle 2018-10-02 NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER • From the ingenious comic performer, founding member of Monty Python, and creator of Spamalot, comes an absurdly funny memoir of unparalleled wit and heartfelt candor We know him best for his unforgettable roles on Monty Python—from the Flying Circus to The Meaning of Life. Now, Eric Idle reflects on the meaning of his own life in this entertaining memoir that takes us on a remarkable journey from his childhood in an austere boarding school through his successful career in comedy, television, theater, and film. Coming of age as a writer and comedian during the Sixties and Seventies, Eric stumbled into the crossroads of the cultural revolution and found himself rubbing shoulders with the likes of George Harrison, David Bowie, and Robin Williams, all of whom became dear lifelong friends. With anecdotes sprinkled throughout involving other close friends and

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**Production Stage Management for Broadway** Peter Lawrence 2015-01 Getting a new show up and running? Planning a revival? Taking over a long-running show? Going on the road? On Broadway, off Broadway, in regional repertory, or on tour, the only book you need as your professional companion is Peter Lawrence's comprehensive and definitive *Production Stage Management for Broadway: From Idea to Opening Night and Beyond*. With this book, Tony Award-winning Peter Lawrence has turned his decades of experience on Broadway into a thoroughly modern approach to the art and business of production stage managing and successfully pursuing a stage manager's career. Written for a wide range of readers from the beginning stage manager with high school or college experience to the professional assistant stage manager already working in commercial theatre *Production Stage Management for Broadway* is, at its heart, an invaluable map of how to get from the beginning through the end of a production.

**Pick a Pocket Or Two** Ethan Mordden 2021-08-02 From Gilbert and Sullivan to Andrew Lloyd Webber, from Julie Andrews to Hugh Jackman, from *Half a Sixpence* to *Matilda*, *Pick a Pocket Or Two* is the story of the British musical: where it began and how it developed. In *Pick a Pocket Or Two*, acclaimed author Ethan Mordden brings his wit and wisdom to bear in telling the full history of the British musical, from *The Beggar's Opera* (1728) to the present, with an interest in isolating the unique qualities of the form and its influence on the American model. To place a very broad generalization, the American musical is regarded as largely about ambition fulfilled, whereas the British musical is about social order. *Oklahoma!*'s Curly wins the heart of the farmer Laurey—or, in other words, the cowboy becomes a landowner, establishing a truce between the freelancers on horseback and the ruling class. *Half a Sixpence*, on the other hand, finds a working-class boy coming into a fortune and losing it to fancy Dans, whereupon he is reunited with his working-class sweetheart, his modest place in the social order affirmed. Anecdotal and evincing a strong point of view, the book covers not only the shows and their authors but the personalities as well—W. S. Gilbert trying out his stagings on a toy theatre, Ivor Novello going to jail for abusing wartime gas rationing during World War II, fabled producer

C. B. Cochran coming to a most shocking demise for a man whose very name meant "classy, carefree entertainment." Unabashedly opinionated and an excellent stylist, author Ethan Mordden provokes as much as he pleases. Mordden is the preeminent historian of the form, and his book will be required reading for readers of all walks, from the most casual of musical theater goers to musical theater buffs to students and scholars of the form.

Joseph d'Armathie Robert (de Boron) 1995

Entertainment Design 2005

*Star Quality* Noël Coward 2001-10 In his final play, Noel Coward takes us behind the scenes of a new West End production. Conjuring up an authentic backstage world of talent and treachery, Coward creates a gallery of unforgettable characters: temperamental leading lady, ruthless director, jaded old troupers and, caught somewhere between them all, innocent young playwright. From tentative first rehearsal to triumphant opening night, the clash of egos becomes increasingly and hilariously bloody. But what emerges from the mayhem is a startling evocation of that most elusive gift of all - star quality.