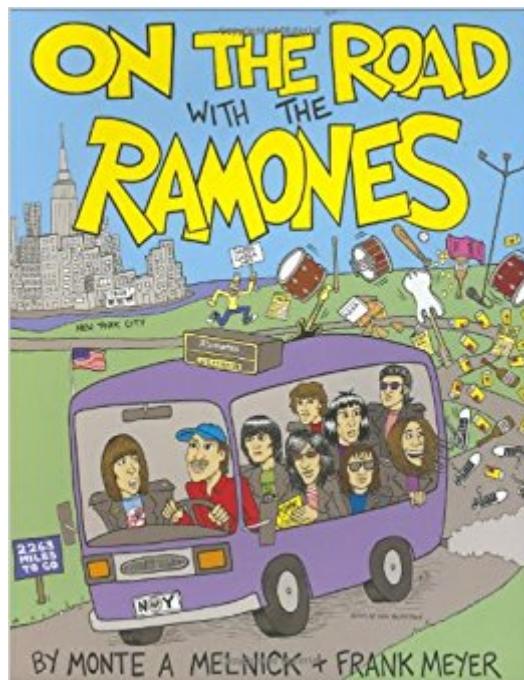


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Customer Reviews

Since the legendary band's retirement in 1996, there has been a series of books and films exploring the history and influence of the Ramones. One of the best books is *On the Road with the Ramones*. Written by their road manager, Monte A. Melnick, this book is a warts and all retrospective of one of the hardest working bands in rock and roll. Compiled in a similar fashion to other punk rock books *Please Kill Me: An Uncensored Oral History of Punk and American Hardcore: A Tribal History*, *On the Road with the Ramones* collects personal accounts of the band from the Ramones themselves, as well as their girlfriends, crew, family and friends. Throughout the book, Monte provides a unique insider's perspective of the trials and tribulations the band encountered with the promoters, fans, the media and especially with each other. There are chapters devoted to life on the road, the band's

relationships with women, internal feuds and drug abuse and mental illness. There are also numerous light-hearted stories that show what a incredibly fun band the Ramones were. The book is richly illustrated with color photographs, posters and memorabilia, much of it never before seen by the public. This book is an absolute must-have for any devote Ramones fan and makes a worthy addition to anyone's collection of rock and roll books.

On the road with the Ramones is better than a backstage pass to 22 years of Ramones concerts and shows.. it is a candid look into the the inside story of The Ramones -- as told by not just Monte A Melnick but ALL the people who knew them best. Monte A. Melnick and Frank Meyer KNOW their punk rock. On The Road With The Ramones meshes together commentary by band members, fans, family journalists, roadies, and recording artists like Joan Jett, Andy Shernoff and other punk icons to provide an insightful history of a band that heartbreakingly and ironically wasn't too tough to die at very young ages. Monte A. Melnick wasn't just the TOUR manager...he was their babysitter, psychiatrist, referee, punching bag and second mother. Along with Arturo Vega, Monte A. Melnick is the only human being alive that was there for every single one of their 2263 shows. This updated edition issued in 2007, has more photos, flyers, tour posters and documents starting from the days of Melnick's early childhood friendship with Tommy Ramone to the present day. I can honestly say this is the most insightful and informative book on the Ramones I have read. Honestly speaking Monte Melnick should be canonized a saint for being able to deal with all the acute and perpetual dysfunction he faced on a daily basis not only with his dealings with the band members but with them dealing with each other. I found parts of the book to be laugh out loud funny and others to be somber and sad. After reading On the road with the Ramones I felt as if Monte was very fair in showing BOTH sides to many of the more talked about Ramones quarrels and arguments...while he shows the dysfunction he portays the situations to allow the parties involved to keep their dignity. Having spent 22 years on the road with The Ramones, Melnick knew them better than anybody, and he shares his memories in a tasteful, truthful way for not only fans of the Ramones to enjoy but people who know little to nothing about them. I would DEFINETLY recommend this book to ANYONE not just Ramones fans and I do recommend it on a weekly basis to listeners of my radio station. Rob Russo Station Owner Live and Loud Radio.com

A beautiful book written by a beautiful man. Thank you, Monte, for sharing this with us. It's an insight into the Ramones that you won't want to miss. Well written and engaging, if you're like me, you won't be able to put it down til you're done reading it. Gabba Gabba Hey!

I bought this wonderful book by Monte A. Melnick and Frank Meyer when it was first released. I now probably own half a dozen copies, and to this day I still consider it one of my favorite books, and a valuable resource for Ramones history buffs. It is written largely in quotes by members of the band and people close to the band, so it gives you excellent insight into what everyone was thinking about different situations. It also has a huge wealth of photographs, posters, and other memorabilia that Monte collected over the 22 years he was the first, only and last Ramones tour manager. Monte was there to see it all, and took the time to write it all down in a very high quality book, that is now available in 7 languages. How many books do you know that are available in 7 different languages? Not many! The reason is that this book is a CLASSIC, and it needs to be read by everyone who is a fan of the Ramones and a fan of rock and roll in general. It tells the story of what I consider one of the world's great rock bands and their trials and tribulations through the world. In On The Road With The Ramones you will see things and read things that are not available anywhere else. Buy the download of On The Road With The Ramones! It is one of the greatest rock and roll books ever written.

This was an entertaining read and a must have for fans of The Ramones. Mostly written using interview clips, On The Road With the Ramones tells the story of rock's seminal punk band through their own words and those of the group's inner circle. It's a gripping narrative about extreme personalities who somehow came together to make extraordinary, world-changing music despite barely functioning, and the early passing of all the original members only serves to underscore the tale. Here are The Ramones, warts and all. It's a multimedia presentation layout with lots of photos, similar to the Beatles Anthology book, so it might make sense to spring for the hardcover.

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