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The Songwriter's Survival Guide



Synopsis

Do you want to be more marketable to a music publisher? Are you ready to become hugely successful as a songwriter? In this inspiring and timely book, music industry veteran Judy Stakee shares her best trade secrets to achieve your dreams. The Songwriter's Survival Guide is your opportunity to benefit from Judy's 30 years of extraordinary success in the music industry. Learn how to: handle meetings confidently with music executives; achieve a creative and financially rewarding cowrite; and even discover how to be the CEO of your own company. No matter whether you're a beginner or a seasoned songwriter, this powerful book will help take your career to the next level.

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The Songwriter's Survival Guide by Judy Stakee clearly outlines the methodology she developed during her 30 years in the music industry as a song plugger. Her guidance for emerging and veteran songwriters includes the importance of personal development as a means of fueling the creative process and the prerequisite of mastering storytelling for writing lyrics and music, selling yourself and your songs, and developing and maintaining collaborations. Stakee shares a holistic approach to a successful career in the music industry by reminding the reader to care for their body (their instrument), and to integrate good business practices from the start, such as having written agreements for co-writing projects and copywriting lyrics and music. Although the advice in this book is geared to songwriters and song publishers, it can easily be applied to anyone intent on improving their creative process.

This is a beautiful read; it's easy and feels like a conversation! I read it entirely in just a few hours! I will use it as part of my arsenal of literature whose main purpose is to inspire me!!! I hope Ms. Stakee knows her goal has been realized in being read by me. I thank you, God Bless!

Finally got around to reading this book that I bought over a year ago and wish I had read it sooner! This is a much shorter book than I had anticipated (Kindle) but it was extremely effective with every word. It's not a step by step process of "what" to do, although it has that. It's more of a book that helps you refine your "why". Get that super honest and honed and the "what" will take care of itself. I also really appreciated the "must read" references to other books as you navigate the song writing journey mind, body and spirit.

I really enjoyed this book. As a songwriter for the majority of my life, there was some information I knew, but there was a good amount that I didn't. I feel like although it is a shorter read than I anticipated, I found a great amount of value in her words. Judy cuts right to the point of what you need to know, rather than providing vague advice, as many other industry professionals have done. I'm glad I bought this book!

Amazing book and audiobook! Judy has very great advice for songwriters of any experience level! I listened to it multiple times while taking notes. Motivates and inspires your to write, while giving you information i've searched for all over the internet. Great job Judy Stakee!

Inspiring, well written, thoughtful guide to following your voice and navigating the process with grace and confidence.

I'm excited to have Judy's helpful tips in a written format that I can continue to go back to for inspiration. Judy has been a wonderful teacher and mentor to me as a songwriter, and I continue to seek her advice and wisdom as I am constantly seeking to improve my songwriting skills.

Great insight into the songwriting world, the creative process and tips for managing the business aspects of this artistic endeavor. A practical, inspiring and informative read.

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