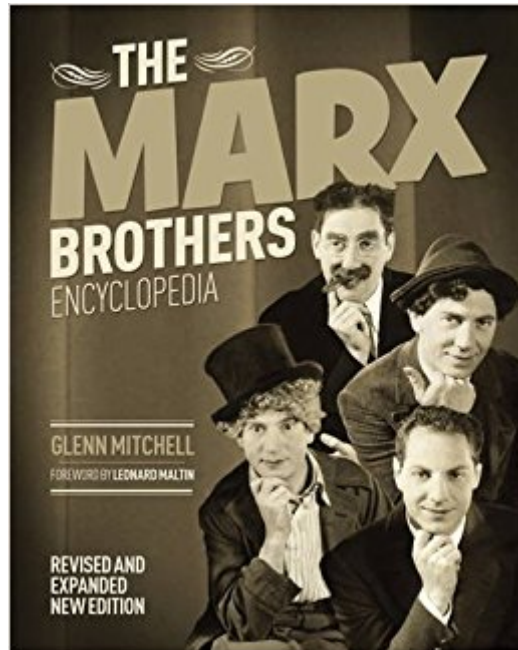




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The Marx Brothers Encyclopedia



Synopsis

Often imitated, never rivaled, the Marx Brothers were the masters of vaudeville. Originally masters of the stage, they conquered almost every medium, creating memorable sketches and classic movies such as *Duck Soup*, *The Cocoanuts* and *A Night at the Opera* - all of which still find their way into top comedy movie lists! Household names to this day, the Marx Brothers left an indelible mark on the comedy scene and worked with some of the most famous names of the day; including Marilyn Monroe and Charlie Chaplin! Here, in a fully revised and updated edition, is the meticulously researched guide to their lives and careers, covering all of their movies, guest appearances, stage shows and television features!

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Glenn Mitchell is a renowned author and historian of silent cinema and the early talkies, and a popular comedy scriptwriter for both radio and television.

If you have to ask then this is not the book for you :) I have others and this one is a great collection also.

I love these guys

A good overview of the Marx Brothers and family. Lots of photographs and anecdotes that help flesh out the history and influence of the family. Many do not understand the movies were successful and polished because they were first performed on the New York stage. It gives good insight into Groucho's "You Bet Your Life" in the late 1940s and 1950s and why these shows remain timely today.

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Book is a good reading for getting knowledge about the Marx Brothers. Contains interesting pieces of facts.

excellent book!

Any "encyclopedia" that doesn't include the name Schoenberg, when written about the Marx family, is like writing a book about George Washington and not mentioning the Potomac River or that fabled cherry tree or his wooden teeth. The British authors of this tome clearly have passion and a love of minutia, but they miss the real guts of the story. I am a life long Marx fan with over 50 books on the

subject. I've been published in comedic film journals, museum magazines and I know this subject and I was astonished to find such simple errors. Its sad. We Marx fans agree this is a useful guide, but like the rest of the 21st century, this is FORM...not CONTENT. I say, see the films and laugh and use this book to start a fire.

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