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★ [NEW book on Dusty Springfield!](#)

■ by [phvettb](#) » Wed May 11, 2011 3:31 pm

Now available on Amazon.com! 'The Invention of Dusty Springfield - Scenes from a BritPop Icon'. The remarkable story of Britain's First Lady of Soul. A tribute to a brilliant artist ahead of her time, with behind-the-scene vignettes portraying Dusty's affinity for soul, jazz, Motown, and her fellow recording artists, as well as her seminal struggles for integration and acceptance.

Set against the backdrop of monumental cultural changes sweeping through England during the 1960's, 'The Invention of Dusty Springfield' chronicles the meteoric rise of a beloved international star, from shy schoolgirl to Queen of Pop.

The e-book version is now available on Amazon.com. Coming soon: the traditional book version.



[phvettb](#)

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Posts: 10

Joined: Wed May 11, 2011 2:39 am

Location: Long Island, New York

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[Re: NEW book on Dusty Springfield!](#)

■ by [daydreamer](#) » Wed May 11, 2011 6:47 pm

I'm thinking that this is the book I heard about last week, if so, it's written a bit like a screenplay. If it's not the same book, then ignore this post 😊

<http://www.amazon.co.uk/Invention-Dusty-...-B004ZRLR0Q>

There's a part of you, that's a part of me...

Carole x



[daydreamer](#)

Moderator



Posts: 3667

Joined: Thu Dec 17, 2009 8:17 am

Location: Cheshire, England

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[Re: NEW book on Dusty Springfield!](#)

by [humboldt](#) » Wed May 11, 2011 9:07 pm

Thanks Carole, looks kind of interesting. Will investigate this once the actual book is released.

Hello phytb, you should have said that you are the author and were promoting your book!



[humboldt](#)

Can I get a witness



Posts: 3706

Joined: Thu Dec 17, 2009 8:42 am

Location: UK

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[Re: NEW book on Dusty Springfield!](#)

by [jeffery](#) » Wed May 11, 2011 9:52 pm

humboldt wrote: Thanks Carole, looks kind of interesting. Will investigate this once the actual book is released.

Hello phytb, you should have said that you are the author and were promoting your book!

Well, well, well ! 🙄



That begs the question: What are your credentials, and motives ? 🙄

" The man with the child in his eyes ".... Jeffery



[jeffery](#)

Someone who cares



Posts: 6517

Joined: Thu Dec 17, 2009 11:34 am

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[Re: NEW book on Dusty Springfield!](#)

by [daydreamer](#) » Wed May 11, 2011 9:59 pm

Well, I guess if someone has written a book on Dusty Springfield, then this is the place to talk about it. Having had a bad time from a previous "author" a short time ago, I guess we are allowed to be a little cynical, but hopefully, that sort of problem wont ever arise again 😊
There's a part of you, that's a part of me...

Carole x



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[Re: NEW book on Dusty Springfield!](#)

by [terri](#) » Thu May 12, 2011 1:46 am

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<http://www.amazon.co.uk/Invention-Dusty...B004ZRLR0Q>

When will the book be out? What was the reason for you writing the book? I buy any mag/book/music with Dusty mentioned in them- some good/bad/excellent!!! Will be interesting to read a new book.

Terri

" and my heart will never be the same..."



[terri](#)

Where am I going?



Posts: 658

Joined: Thu Sep 30, 2010 7:27 pm

Location: New Hampshire

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[Re: NEW book on Dusty Springfield!](#)

by [Cas19](#) » Thu May 12, 2011 11:48 am

So it looks interesting, but is it only available on Kindle, as I can't find anything else on it?

Casx

Something in your eyes



[Cas19](#)

All I see is you



Posts: 23261
Joined: Thu Dec 17, 2009 8:25 am

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[Re: NEW book on Dusty Springfield!](#)

by [Corinna](#) » Thu May 12, 2011 12:13 pm

It says that the traditional book will 'come soon', Cas. Since I don't have a Kindle, I'll just have to wait, too.

Since you are talking to your core target group here, Peter... why not tell us a little bit about yourself and why chose to write this book? 😊
Cor xx

*Dusty Springfield, that's a pretty name
Pretty as a pearl
What a pretty girl*



[Corinna](#)

Site Admin



Posts: 8252
Joined: Wed Dec 16, 2009 8:52 pm
Location: Stockholm, Sweden

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[Re: NEW book on Dusty Springfield!](#)

by [Hampson](#) » Thu May 12, 2011 2:39 pm

You can download the Kindle version to your computer and read it folks, and it is usually a whole lot cheaper.

Wend



[Hampson](#)

Wasn't born to follow



Posts: 2600
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[Re: NEW book on Dusty Springfield!](#)

by [Cas19](#) » Fri May 13, 2011 5:38 am

Thankyou Cor and Wend. I'd much rather have an actual book really.

Casx

Something in your eyes



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All I see is you



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[Re: NEW book on Dusty Springfield!](#)

by [phvettb](#) » Sun May 15, 2011 6:09 pm

Hello all and thank you so much for your interest in my new book on Dusty!

First off, I am working feverishly to have the 'traditional' book version available soon. My goal is to have that version ready in about a month's time. Please bear with me...it's been a tremendous amount of work (the research alone was incredible, and I am also setting up a website for the book - TBA soon)! I will keep you posted as I near the finish line. I published the Kindle E-book first since that is an easier format and I wanted to have something available to tie in with all the recent Dusty festivities in the UK. For those of you that attended them, I hope you had great fun!

Secondly, this is a book that celebrates Dusty. We all know about the difficult times that Dusty went through - but this is not that book. Rather, this book focuses on her heyday in Britain, her accomplishments, her fun-loving personality, and her meteoric rise to the top. The bulk of the story takes place in Britain between 1963 and 1968, although there are several chapters which take place earlier and later on in Dusty's life. There are a few chapters that take place in the USA too. I wanted to make it an interesting and very entertaining story, and stick as close to the REAL, actual events which were taking place at the time. My hope is that it is a book which every Dusty fan will love.

Since you've asked, here's a little bit about me and my motivation for the book: I am a native New Yorker and live on Long Island, I am an artist, a trained chef, and a classic car enthusiast. Like many of you, I am a great music lover, and the more I listened to Dusty, the more I wanted to hear. I've read several of the previous books on Dusty, including Paul Howes' excellent 'The Complete Dusty Springfield', Annie Randall's wonderful 'Dusty - Queen of the Postmods' and Lucy O'Brien's great biography of Dusty, among others. I've always been very impressed with Dusty's accomplishments and her courage, particularly her stance against apartheid in 1964 and her promotion of Motown on RSG! in 1965. I decided that I wanted to write a book from a slightly different perspective, from a present-day narrative, so that the reader would feel as if they were there while the events were happening. It's been a wonderful, fun project, and I do hope that you all enjoy the story! I will do my best to update you as the project unfolds. Thanks again to you all and the LTD website!



[phvettb](#)

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[Re: NEW book on Dusty Springfield!](#)

by [phvettb](#) » Sun May 15, 2011 10:20 pm

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[http://www.amazon.co.uk/Invention-Dusty ... B004ZRLR0Q](http://www.amazon.co.uk/Invention-Dusty...B004ZRLR0Q)

Thank you - yes, that's the book. You're exactly right. This is the 'book' version, which is very much like a screenplay version that I've done. Thanks for your interest! PHB



[phyettb](#)

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[Re: NEW book on Dusty Springfield!](#)

■ by [phyettb](#) » Sun May 15, 2011 10:24 pm

humboldt wrote: Thanks Carole, looks kind of interesting. Will investigate this once the actual book is released.

Hello phyettb, you should have said that you are the author and were promoting your book!

Hello - Yes, you're right - sorry, some of this is all new to me. There's a new website for the book with more info and an excerpt. I hope you enjoy it, and thank you so much for your support! PHB (phyettb)



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[Re: NEW book on Dusty Springfield!](#)

■ by [phyettb](#) » Sun May 15, 2011 10:28 pm

Please visit www.TheInventionofDustySpringfield.com for more info and an excerpt from the book. Thanks for all your support! phyettb



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[Re: NEW book on Dusty Springfield!](#)

■ by [Corinna](#) » Mon May 16, 2011 10:34 am

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Cor xx

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[Re: NEW book on Dusty Springfield!](#)

by [phvettb](#) » Mon May 16, 2011 3:16 pm

Corinna wrote: Hey, good to see you posting! Just read the excerpt on your web site, it does sound interesting! 🤔👍

Thank you for visiting the new website, Corinna, and thanks for your support! Although there IS some serious (and sometimes controversial) subject matter in the book, it is a very fun, entertaining read, with plenty of 'laugh out loud' parts! The book is meant to be a flattering portrait of Dusty during her early solo career. I hope you enjoy it, Corinna!



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[Re: NEW book on Dusty Springfield!](#)

by [allherfaces](#) » Mon May 16, 2011 4:42 pm

When the announcement of this new book was posted on our Facebook page I invited the author to join us here which he has kindly done. He will also be offering a copy of the book for review on LTD and has consented to an interview. Looking forward very much to both.

x

Bosseh

There's something in my soul that will always lead me back to you.



[allherfaces](#)

Someone who cares
★★★★★★

Posts: 5815
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Location: Boston MA

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[Re: NEW book on Dusty Springfield!](#)

by [boztiggs](#) » Mon May 16, 2011 6:57 pm

this is great news!!

Neil 

[http://i213.photobucket.com/albums/cc16 ... 3f87dd.gif](http://i213.photobucket.com/albums/cc16...3f87dd.gif)



[boztiggs](#)

I've got a good thing

★★★★★

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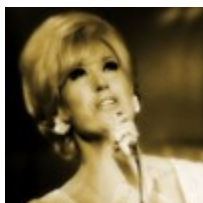
[Re: NEW book on Dusty Springfield!](#)

by [Chris80](#) » Mon May 16, 2011 7:01 pm

Yeah, the perspective of the story sounds interesting!

Don't let me lose this dream ...

Christoph



[Chris80](#)

Wasn't born to follow



★★★★★


Posts: 2040
Joined: Fri Mar 19, 2010 7:43 pm
Location: Vienna, Austria

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[Re: NEW book on Dusty Springfield!](#)

by [jeffery](#) » Mon May 16, 2011 10:04 pm

 Sounds like an original and creative effort phyttb.  I'll be watching for the release.

Do you have an idea concept for the dusty cover ? Or is that in someone else's hands ? 

" The man with the child in his eyes " Jeffery



[jeffery](#)

Someone who cares



Posts: 6517

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★ [Re: NEW book on Dusty Springfield!](#)

by [phvettb](#) » Mon May 23, 2011 12:40 am

Hello All,

Whew! What an exciting month it's been for our girl - Dusty Day 2011, the tribute concert at the Royal Albert Hall, and the Blue Plaque unveiling at 38 Aubrey Walk! It's wonderful to know that Dusty's legacy is growing with love and support from all. To answer a few questions:

Jeffrey - I am currently working on the cover art for the upcoming paperback. It will be different from the e-book cover, which is currently posted on <http://www.theinventionofdustyspringfield.com>. Thanks for your support!

Chris80 and Boztiggs: Thank you! It's been a wonderful project so far, and now I am delighted to have heard from Doug Reece, Pat Rhodes, and Carole Gibson, who have all been kind enough to offer their counsel. I am also indebted to Paul Howes, who was very generous to donate his time and his advice in proof-reading the book. I am also thrilled that Nancy Young has offered to read the book for a review. I am truly overwhelmed with everyone's kindness and generosity - thank you all!

I'll update you again soon. In the meantime...be well.

Peter

Attachments



'The Invention of Dusty Springfield - Scenes from a BritPop Icon'



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[Re: NEW book on Dusty Springfield!](#)

by [phvettb](#) » Mon May 23, 2011 2:05 am

'The Invention of Dusty Springfield - Scenes from a BritPop Icon' is now on Twitter! Please follow the posts and updates of NewDustyBook on Twitter.



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[Re: NEW book on Dusty Springfield!](#)


by [jeffery](#) » Mon May 23, 2011 8:39 pm

Hampson wrote: You can download the Kindle version to your computer and read it folks, and it is usually a whole lot cheaper.

Wend



I just found out how to do this at my public library. Thanks for the tip Wend.

RATS ! Cleveland doesn't have it yet. 

" The man with the child in his eyes ".... Jeffery



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[Re: NEW book on Dusty Springfield!](#)

by [trooper](#) » Tue Jun 05, 2012 12:03 pm

i have a book about dusty's life story, it called dancing with demons, it's about her stating out in life, and all her friends, those who let her down in so many ways, and those friends who were there for her in her hard times. would love to buy the new book if you could give me some infomation.



[trooper](#)

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Posts: 15

Joined: Sat May 26, 2012 10:56 am

Location: leeds west yorkshire

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[Re: NEW book on Dusty Springfield!](#)

■ by [edjames](#) » Wed Jun 06, 2012 2:01 am

It appears the book (can one call a digital copy a book?) is no longer available on Amazon. It was never officially published by publishing company and was an Amazon Kindle offering. I take it that since it is no longer available that it was not a smashing success.

I read it but it failed to get high marks from me. It was a loosely based semi-fictional series of events in the life of Dusty Springfield relying heavily on previously published interviews and such.

There are better books to invest your monies.

First and foremost, a copy of The Complete Dusty Springfield by Paul Howes is absolutely necessary if you are a Dusty fan. It should be number one on everyone's reading list or it's place on your book shelf.

Other offerings are, in no particular order are

Dusty Springfield by Lucy O'Brien

A Girl Called Dusty by Sharon Davis

A Life In Music by Edward Leeson

Brit Girl of the Sixties by David Bret

Dusty Queen of The Post Mods by Annie Randall

Scissors and Paste by David Evans

Dusty Springfield: In the Middle of Nowhere by Laurence Cole

And

Dancing With Demons by Penny Valentine and Vicki Wicham

Dusty is a semi-prominent feature in the Carole Pope Anti-Diva autobiography.

There are other books which mention Dusty but there are no great insights into her life or career.

IMHO no one has yet to write the definitive Dusty Springfield biography and the lack of people, such as Johnny Franz or the cooperation of Dusty's brother, Tom makes the task almost impossible. Sigh!

ED



[edjames](#)

I'll try anything



Posts: 220

Joined: Sat Oct 09, 2010 3:00 am

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[Re: NEW book on Dusty Springfield!](#)

■ by [Jenie](#) » Sat Jun 09, 2012 5:19 am

I paid tribute to Dusty in my kindle book, "Offbeat Love Stories and More" I have made an excerpt, in which she is prominently featured, available to view for free, <http://www.goodreads.com/story/show/303...-new-verse>. Let me know what you think I could really use the feedback.

[Jenie](#)

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Joined: Sun May 06, 2012 11:13 pm

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