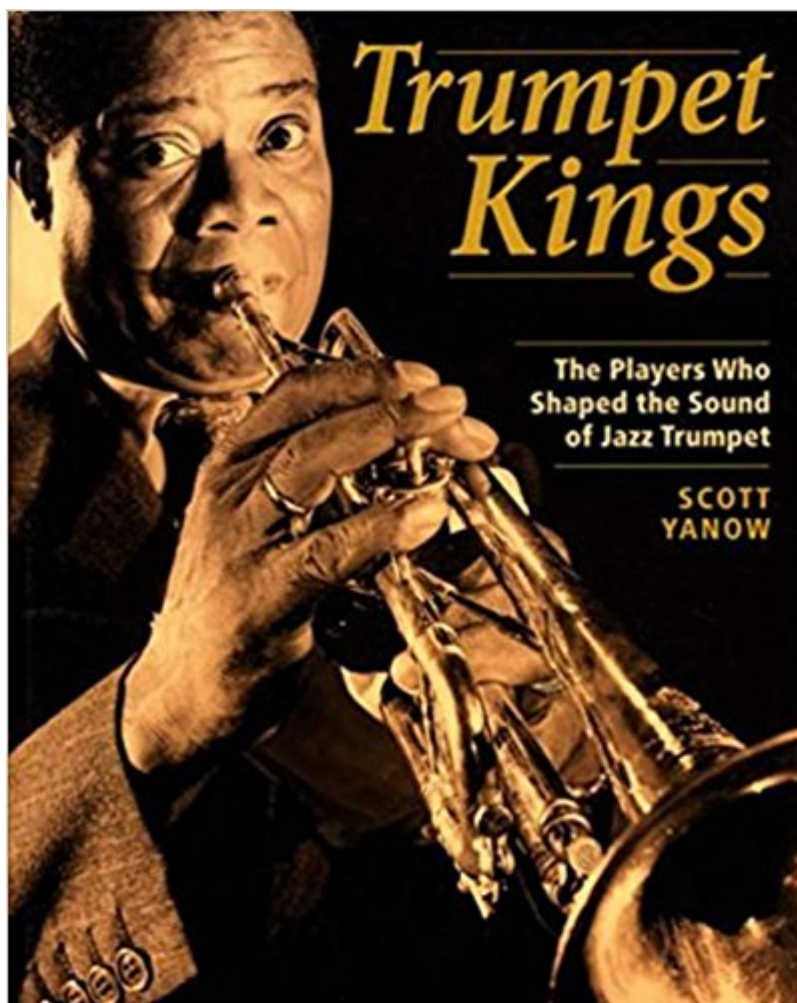


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# Trumpet Kings: The Players Who Shaped The Sound Of Jazz Trumpet



## Synopsis

(Book). This engaging book unveils the personal and musical lives of 479 brilliant jazz trumpeters, past and present, through intimate biographical profiles that describe each artist's unique traits, intriguing life experiences, relationships with other influential players, career milestones and key recordings. Artist covered include: Dizzy Gillespie, Louis Armstrong, Miles Davis, Wynton Marsalis, Terence Blanchard, Arturo Sandoval, Red Allen, Chet Baker, Bunny Berrigan, Roy Eldridge, Freddie Hubbard, Freddie Keppard, Lee Morgan, Fats Navarro, King Oliver and hundreds of others plus jazz figures who seem unlikely to have recorded on trumpet but did, such as Benny Goodman and Mose Allison. A fascinating read!

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## Customer Reviews

Yanow wants his most recent work (after *Afro-Cuban Jazz*, LJ 3/15/01) to read like "a series of short stories," and readers will indeed often forget that they are perusing what boils down to an encyclopedia. A prolific and respected jazz writer, Yanow manages to cover the gamut of styles from Dixieland to avant-garde in 479 short biographies, which are accurate (if sometimes opinionated) as well as refreshingly entertaining. Featured are Red Allen, Chet Baker, Fats Navarro, and King Oliver. Also included are an essay on the history of the jazz trumpet, a bibliography of other important reference works, and 29 additional short biographies of other famous musicians/composers who recorded with the trumpet (e.g., Benny Goodman). Some of the entries may be found in more general references like *The New Grove Dictionary of Jazz* (St. Martin's, 1994).

reprint) or Leonard Feather and Ira Gitler's The Biographical Encyclopedia of Jazz (Oxford Univ., 2001. 2d ed.), but neither of these works contains all the entries found here. Recommended for large public and academic libraries as well as libraries with a jazz focus. Ronald S. Russ, Arkansas State Univ., Beebe Copyright 2001 Reed Business Information, Inc.

Scott Yanow wrote the Third Ear guides Swing and Behop, and edited the All Music Guide to Jazz. He lives in Burbank, CA.

A very informative book. My only complaints are that there were many "Big Name Players" omitted, and that there wasn't enough information on many of the players that were listed. Still a great book - and I am glad that I have it in my collection.

Bought for my seventeen year old grandson who is a jazz trumpet pupil at the Purcell School of Music and he finds it extremely interesting

A must-have for trumpet freaks. There were lots of folks, especially from other countries, of whom I'd never heard. I might have asked for longer discographic information. Maybe someday, he'll update it with URL's.

Great book. A must for all trumpet players.

Great gift

Great Book! All the greatest players are included, with a selection of their most important CDs.

Fans of jazz music in general and the trumpet in particular will appreciate this survey of the great jazz trumpeters from Dizzy Gillespie and Miles Davis to lesser-known players. The profiles read like fiction, providing dramatic biographical coverage of each player's life and musical abilities. An A-Z reference type approach makes this easy to quickly access.

No wonder these Trumpet Kings play the trumpet with such soul and meaning. This book charts the back story to some of the best trumpet players in the world. Another book I intend to take back to the arctic with me to share with my nieces and nephews.

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