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The critically acclaimed Jim Henson's *The Storyteller: Sirens* showcases four enchanting tales of mermaids and underwater creatures, inspired by folklore from around the world and told in the spirit of Jim Henson's beloved television series. Collects the complete four-issue series!

The groundbreaking 3-time Eisner Award-winning graphic novel, now available digitally for the first time! Join us as we explore this missing piece of Jim Henson's career in a celebration of his creative process, gorgeously brought to life by acclaimed illustrator Ramon K. Perez (*Wolverine and the X-Men*, *Spider-Man: Year One*). Discovered in the Archives of The Jim Henson Company, *Tale of Sand* is an original graphic novel adaptation of an unproduced, feature-length screenplay written by Jim Henson and his frequent writing partner, Jerry Juhl. *Tale of Sand* follows scruffy everyman, Mac, who wakes up in an unfamiliar town, and is chased across the desert of the American Southwest by all manners of man and beast of unimaginable proportions. Produced with the complete blessing of Henson co-CEO Lisa Henson, *Tale of Sand* was hailed as a groundbreaking achievement upon release, winning the Eisner Awards for Best Graphic Album, Best Penciller/Inker, and Best Production Design, as well as winning the Harvey Awards for Best Graphic Novel and Best Artist.

The definitive, fascinating, all-reaching biography of Dr. Seuss. Dr. Seuss is a classic American icon. Whimsical and wonderful, his work has defined our childhoods and the childhoods of our own children. The silly, simple rhymes are a bottomless well of magic, his illustrations timeless favorites because, quite simply, he makes us laugh. The Grinch, the Cat in the Hat, Horton, and so many more, are his troupe of beloved, and uniquely Seussian, creations. Theodor Geisel, however, had a second, more radical side. It is there that the allure and fasciation of his Dr. Seuss alter ego begins. He had a successful career as an advertising man and then as a political cartoonist, his personal convictions appearing, not always subtly, throughout his books—remember the environmentalist of *The Lorax*? Geisel was a complicated man on an important mission. He introduced generations to the wonders of reading while teaching young people about empathy and how to treat others well. Agonizing over word choices and rhymes, touching up drawings sometimes for years, he upheld a rigorous standard of perfection for his work. Geisel took his responsibility as a writer for children seriously, talking down to no reader, no matter how small. And with classics like *Green Eggs and Ham*, and *One Fish Two Fish Red Fish Blue Fish*, Geisel delighted them while they learned. Suddenly, reading became fun. Coming right off the heels of George Lucas and bestselling Jim Henson, Brian Jay Jones is quickly developing a reputation as a master biographer of the creative geniuses of our time.

In his 20 year affiliation with Jim Henson's *Muppets* Joseph A. Bailey was a staff writer on both *Sesame Street* and *The Muppet Show*. He also co-wrote the television specials *Big Bird in China*, *Christmas Eve on Sesame Street* and *Rocky Mountain Holiday*, starring John Denver and the *Muppets* on location in Aspen, Colorado. Additionally, Mr. Bailey wrote *Sesame Street* song lyrics, albums, five 90-minute *Sesame Street Live!* musicals, *Muppet Business Meeting Films* and special material for *Big Bird's* appearances in the White House and Carnegie Hall. The *Muppet Show* guest stars he wrote for include George Burns, Bob Hope, Steve Martin, Rudolf Nureyev, John Cleese, Milton Berle and Peter Sellers. For his writing, Mr. Bailey has garnered 5 Emmys, 3 Emmy nominations, a Writers Guild of America Award and a George Foster Peabody Award. Mr. Bailey lives in Manhattan with his wife, Gail. He indulges in occasional long-distance motorcycle trips and claims to speak French and play piano to the equal amusement of others.

Jim Henson's iconic puppet characters, fantastic worlds, and warm humor have delighted millions of people of all ages. His incredibly diverse body of work, from the *Muppets* to the world of *The Dark Crystal*, reveals his charm and genius to fans old and new. Compiled directly from The Jim Henson Company archives, *Imagination Illustrated* adapts the diary that Jim faithfully kept throughout his career, supplementing it with a trove of little-seen visual material, including rare sketches, personal and production photographs, storyboards, doodles, and much more. Throughout, archivist Karen Falk delves into the behind-the-scenes details of Henson's life and artistic process. Sure to delight anyone who has enjoyed Henson's creations—seeing early drawings of Kermit and Rowlf is like smiling over childhood photos of dear friends—this lovely book celebrates Jim's life and his magic.

The essential biography of the influential and beloved filmmaker George Lucas. On May 25, 1977, a problem-plagued, budget-straining independent science-fiction film opened in a mere thirty-two American movie theaters. Conceived, written, and directed by a little-known filmmaker named George Lucas, the movie originally called *The Star Wars* quickly drew blocks-long lines, bursting box-office records and ushering in a new way for movies to be made, marketed, and merchandised. It is now one of the most adored-and successful-movie franchises of all time. Now, the author of the best-selling biography Jim Henson delivers a long-awaited, revelatory look into the life and times of the man who created Luke Skywalker, Han Solo, and Indiana Jones. If *Star Wars* wasn't game-changing enough, Lucas went on to create another blockbuster series with *Indiana Jones*, and he completely transformed the world of special effects and the way movies sound. His innovation and ambition forged Pixar and Lucasfilm, *Industrial Light & Magic*, and THX sound. Lucas's colleagues and competitors offer tantalizing glimpses into his life. His entire career has been stimulated by innovators including Steven Spielberg and Francis Ford Coppola, actors such as Harrison Ford, and the very technologies that enabled the creation of his films—and allowed him to keep tinkering with them long after their original releases. Like his unforgettable characters and stories, his influence is unmatched.

Chronicles the life of Jim Henson, describing how he pushed the boundaries of entertainment and brought the art of puppets to a new level with the creation of his *Muppets*.

In this children's storybook, experience the endlessly imaginative world of Jim Henson's *Labyrinth* through the eyes of its most fantastical and beloved characters! Witness a day in the life of Sir Didymus, the recklessly heroic fox-terrier; Ludo, the lovable oaf; Hoggle, an ever-loyal companion; and others as they play games, work together, and revel in the magic of the labyrinth. Written and gorgeously illustrated by acclaimed children's book illustrator Cory Godbey (*Have Courage, Be Kind: The Tale of Cinderella*), Jim Henson's *Labyrinth Tales* takes readers deep into the adventure where magic knows no bounds.

These imaginative musings, the work of a man who made an impossible world seem completely plausible, show history in the making., Booklist Bert and Ernie were once just scribbles on notebook paper, and the original Oscar the Grouch was purple, not green. Before there were *Muppets*, there were Jim Henson's designs and doodles. This delightful collection of Henson's early drawings serves

as a map to the imagination of an artist whose characters have enraptured generations of children and adults. Almost none of these drawings had been published before the original Abrams edition. From the most cursory of doodles to finished drawings, this whimsical volume of sketchbooks, posters, album covers, story boards, and set and puppet designs celebrates Henson's unique genius and his wild sense of humor.

The New York Times bestseller that celebrates motherhood—for mothers and those who love them. Beloved pastor and bestselling author T. D. Jakes pays tribute to his mother—and mothers everywhere—with powerful, heartwarming stories and lessons from his own experiences as a son and pastor. Woven into these vignettes are Biblical stories and testimonials from famous children of mighty mothers whose nurturing wisdom and influence helped to shape their worlds, and whose invaluable lessons were the building blocks of great character. Bishop Jakes incorporates those lessons—from believing in God and oneself, to learning the value of support, responsibility, and celebrating others, to understanding the power of prayer, wisdom, and endurance—in *Mama Made the Difference*, a must-have not only for mothers, but also for daughters and sons, brothers and sisters, parents and grandparents—and anyone else who has ever felt the power of a mother's love.

Recounts how Jim Henson brought to life the *Muppets* and how he made other advances in the world of puppetry.

"The Ideal Bartender" by Tom Bullock. Published by Good Press. Good Press publishes a wide range of titles that encompasses every genre. From well-known classics & literary fiction and non-fiction to forgotten—or yet undiscovered gems—of world literature, we issue the books that need to be read. Each Good Press edition has been meticulously edited and formatted to boost readability for all e-readers and devices. Our goal is to produce eBooks that are user-friendly and accessible to everyone in a high-quality digital format.

Kermit shares his life lessons, in a collection of wit and wisdom about such milestones as growing up, leaving home, starting a career, and falling in love.

A tribute to the creativity of the late Jim Henson presents more than five hundred full-color photographs, drawings, and behind-the-scenes designs of the *Muppets*, *Sesame Street*, *Fraggle Rock*, *The Dark Crystal*, and other works. 75,000 first printing. \$100,000 ad/promo.

Discover the life of Jim Henson—a story about being creative and trying new things for kids ages 6 to 9 Jim Henson was the talented puppeteer who made some of the most famous puppets of all time—the *Muppets*. Before he created *Big Bird*, *Kermit the Frog*, *Miss Piggy*, *Oscar the Grouch*, and many other well-known characters, Jim was an ambitious kid who loved trying new things and using his imagination. He learned how to make puppets and went on to invent new ways in which puppets could be used in TV and movies. Explore how Jim Henson went from being a creative young boy growing up in Mississippi to an award-winning writer, director, and puppeteer loved by the entire world. The *Story of Jim Henson* includes: A fun quiz--Test your knowledge of the Who, What, Where, When, Why, and How of Jim's life so you can ace your book report or school quiz. His lasting legacy--Learn more about how Jim Henson created lasting change in the world of puppets and in the lives of so many kids. Helpful definitions--Find a glossary with easy-to-understand definitions for some of the more advanced words and ideas in the book. How will Jim's big imagination inspire you? The critically acclaimed Jim Henson's *The Storyteller: Fairies* showcases four enchanting tales of fairies and their mystical realms, inspired by folklore from around the world and told in the spirit of Jim Henson's beloved television series. Featuring an eclectic set of stories by some of today's most original talent, including Matt Smith (*Lake of Fire*), Tyler Jenkins (*Grass Kings*), and introducing Benjamin Schipper and Celia Lowenthal, this stunning hardcover edition also includes an exclusive behind-the-scenes look at the process and care taken in adapting each of these timeless tales.

Presents doodles by the noted puppeteer, artist, and television and film creator accompanied by an abbreviated introduction to his life and thought and inspirational sayings by Jim Lewis, one of Henson's long-time collaborators.

"An iconic creator and savvy businessman, Henson is a model for artists everywhere: without sacrificing his creative vision, Henson built an empire of lovable *Muppets* that continues to educate and inspire—and a business that was worth \$150 million at the time of his death. How did he ever pull it off? And how can other creators follow in his path? Elizabeth Hyde Stevens presents ten principles of Henson's art and business practices that will inspire artists everywhere. Part manifesto, part history, part cultural criticism, part self-help, *Make Art Make Money* is a new kind of business book for creative professionals: a guide for creating and succeeding thanks to lessons from the *Muppet Master* himself"-- Goodreads.com

A biography of the puppeteer whose remarkable creations, the *Muppets*, have found success in television and other media. Includes advice on setting and reaching goals.

Oscar the Grouch describes the things he likes about living in a garbage can on *Sesame Street*, as well as the things that make him grouchy.

Adult coloring book of Jim Henson's fan-favorite film *The Dark Crystal*! Experience Jim Henson's cult classic film like never before in the first-ever *The Dark Crystal Adult Coloring Book*. Featuring over forty black and white illustrations showcasing the strange and magical world of Thra, populated with vibrant creatures and characters like Jen, Kira, the Skeksis, the Mystics, Aughra, and more, waiting to be brought to colorful life.

Nobel laureate Octavio Paz's premier long poem *Sunstone/Piedra de Sol* is here presented as a separate volume, with beautiful illustrations from an eighteenth-century treatise on the Mexican calendar.

America's racial odyssey is the subject of this remarkable work of historical imagination. Matthew Frye Jacobson argues that race resides not in nature but in the contingencies of politics and culture. In ever-changing racial categories we glimpse the competing theories of history and collective destiny by which power has been organized and contested in the United States. Capturing the excitement of the new field of "whiteness studies" and linking it to traditional historical inquiry, Jacobson shows that in this nation of immigrants "race" has been at the core of civic assimilation: ethnic minorities, in becoming American, were re-racialized to become Caucasian.

Jim Henson broke into television with a five-minute puppetry segment when he was only a freshman in college. He created puppets like none ever seen before, with expressive fabric faces and rod-controlled arms. His *Muppets* became world-renowned celebrities and formed the backbone of a media empire. With black-and-white illustrations throughout, this easy-to-read biography will be published

twenty years after Henson's untimely death.

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER • For the first time ever—a comprehensive biography of one of the twentieth century's most innovative creative artists: the incomparable, irreplaceable Jim Henson. He was a gentle dreamer whose genial bearded visage was recognized around the world, but most people got to know him only through the iconic characters born of his fertile imagination: Kermit the Frog, Bert and Ernie, Miss Piggy, Big Bird. The Muppets made Jim Henson a household name, but they were just part of his remarkable story. This extraordinary biography—written with the generous cooperation of the Henson family—covers the full arc of Henson's all-too-brief life: from his childhood in Leland, Mississippi, through the years of burgeoning fame in America, to the decade of international celebrity that preceded his untimely death at age fifty-three. Drawing on hundreds of hours of new interviews with Henson's family, friends, and closest collaborators, as well as unprecedented access to private family and company archives, Brian Jay Jones explores the creation of the Muppets, Henson's contributions to Sesame Street and Saturday Night Live, and his nearly ten-year campaign to bring The Muppet Show to television. Jones provides the imaginative context for Henson's non-Muppet projects, including the richly imagined worlds of *The Dark Crystal* and *Labyrinth*—as well as fascinating misfires like Henson's dream of opening an inflatable psychedelic nightclub. An uncommonly intimate portrait, Jim Henson captures all the facets of this American original: the master craftsman who revolutionized the presentation of puppets on television, the savvy businessman whose dealmaking prowess won him a reputation as “the new Walt Disney,” and the creative team leader whose collaborative ethos earned him the undying loyalty of everyone who worked for him. Here also is insight into Henson's intensely private personal life: his Christian Science upbringing, his love of fast cars and expensive art, and his weakness for women. Though an optimist by nature, Henson was haunted by the notion that he would not have time to do all the things he wanted to do in life—a fear that his heartbreaking final hours would prove all too well founded. An up-close look at the charmed life of a legend, Jim Henson gives the full measure to a man whose joyful genius transcended age, language, geography, and culture—and continues to beguile audiences worldwide. **NAMED ONE OF THE BEST BOOKS OF THE YEAR BY BOOKPAGE** “Jim Henson vibrantly delves into the magnificent man and his Muppet methods: It's an absolute must-read!”—Neil Patrick Harris “An exhaustive work that is never exhausting, a credit both to Jones's brisk style and to Henson's exceptional life.”—The New York Times “[A] sweeping portrait that is a mix of humor, mirth and poignancy.”—Washington Independent Review of Books “A meticulously researched tome chock-full of gems about the Muppets and the most thorough portrait of their creator ever crafted.”—Associated Press

A comprehensive portrait of the iconic cultural figure includes coverage of his Mississippi childhood and college forays into early Muppet TV projects to his years with Sesame Street and The Muppet Show and his considerable achievements in non-Muppet productions. Jim Henson was the creative force behind a huge catalog of television series, films, specials, and other productions, even excepting the Muppets. This collection of essays delves into the rest of Henson's body of work, including projects developed during his lifetime and those that represent his legacy. Covered here are *Fraggle Rock*, *The Dark Crystal*, *Labyrinth*, *The Jim Henson Hour*, *Dinosaurs*, *Farscape*, and more. Henson's influence on both audiences and later productions remains palpable on screens large and small, as this collection attests.

A biography of the puppeteer who created over 2000 Muppets, including Kermit the Frog, old Waldorf, and Link Hogthrob.

Recounts the life story of the puppeteer whose remarkable creations, the Muppets, have found success in television and other media.

Jim Henson: Puppeteer and Filmmaker profiles a master of creative puppetry, the man behind the Muppet Show and Sesame Street. This informative volume provides useful information on how to become an artist and filmmaker while tracing those steps taken by a professional. Through his unwavering belief in the positive potential of puppetry and the media of film and television, Jim Henson became one of the most beloved artists of the past century. Henson's Muppets became the basis of the award-winning television series *The Muppet Show*, the stars of several highly successful feature films, and the foundation of one of the most influential children's television programs in history, *Sesame Street*. Henson, who passed away in 1990, garnered many awards and is loved the world over for his creative efforts.

For millions of people, the name Jim Henson equals fun, creativity, compassion, wackiness, and all the energy and joy of the Muppets. Here, we read Jim's own words, as well as those of some of his best-known characters like Kermit the Frog and Ernie, and we get a generous helping of the philosophy and humor that was so essential to Jim's creations. We also get a look at the team spirit and playful anarchy that reigned backstage and among the people Jim knew, loved, and inspired. This uplifting collection of quotes, stories, anecdotes, songs, and insights brings the reader into the heart of Jim Henson's magical world. The book is by turns entertaining, inspiring, and laugh-out-loud funny, reminding us that every day counts. Illustrations.

Jim Henson created some of the most well-known and beloved characters, stories, and songs of the 20th century, making his name synonymous with children's entertainment. From Kermit the Frog to *The Dark Crystal*, his creative legacy has impacted children for two generations with no sign of stopping. Through vibrant, full-color illustrations, easy-to-follow text, and direct quotes, students will learn how one man used his talent for art, music, and performance not only to entertain children and adults around the world, but also to change the way kids learn.

A biography of Jim Henson, the famous puppeteer and creator of the Muppets.

Jim Henson's creations have inspired generations with characters that are among the world's most recognizable cultural icons. From Kermit the Frog, Miss Piggy and their Muppet friends to the leg-

endary Sesame Street and Children's Television Workshop, Henson revolutionized children's educational entertainment. Combining live action and puppeteering into fantastical narratives like *The Dark Crystal* and *Labyrinth*, as well as the whimsical *Fraggle Rock* and *The Storyteller*, Henson transformed imagination into reality, weaving together powerful philosophical messages on identity, community, diversity, love, death, and friendship. Henson never shied away from exploring deep questions, nor did he underestimate the ability of children (or adults) to grapple with profound philosophical questions. *Jim Henson and Philosophy* explores the entertaining and educational world of the genius's creations, revealing what it is about Henson's world that has touched us so deeply and improved our lives in such meaningful ways. Contributions by: Lauren Ashwell, Kimberly Baltzer-Jaray, David R. Burns, Samantha Brennan, Amanda Cawston, Brooke Covington, Christopher M. Culp, Ryan Cox, Natalie M. Fletcher, Victoria Hubbell, Dena Hurst, Christopher Ketcham, S. Evan Kreider, Shaun Leonard, Jennifer Marra, Michael J. Muniz, Laurel Ralston, Rhona Trauvitch, and Sheryl Tuttle Ross

After the arduous journey across the strange lands of Thra, Thurma has returned to her homeland of Mithra. Just as when she began her journey, Thurma is alone, having betrayed her only ally. But Kensho has not given up hope that their worlds might both be saved. If Thra and Mithra are to coexist, these unlikely heroes will have to reconcile their differences and uncover the secret that connects their two worlds. Collects issues #9-12.

We can all be heroes. That's the inspiring message of this New York Times bestselling picture book biography series from historian and author Brad Meltzer. This volume focuses on Jim Henson, the creator of the Muppets and Sesame Street. This friendly, fun biography series focuses on the traits that made our heroes great—the traits that kids can aspire to in order to live heroically themselves. Jim Henson, for example, was always dreaming up something new, and always expressing his belief in the goodness of people. Henson was a born performer with a terrific sense of humor, and he used those talents to help create two of the most beloved programs in television history: *The Muppet Show* and *Sesame Street*. Through his Muppets, Jim showed the world that there's nothing more beautiful than imagination, especially when it's accompanied by laughter and kindness. Each book in this series tells the story of one inspiring individual through lively text and art that works well for the youngest nonfiction readers. At the back are an excellent timeline and photos.

Simon Spurrier (*Godshaper*, *The Power of the Dark Crystal*) and Daniel Bayliss (*Jim Henson's Storyteller: Dragons*, *Kennel Block Blues*) present a magical look into the world of Jim Henson's *Labyrinth*. Before Sarah braved the *Labyrinth* to save her brother, another young woman sought to save a young boy named Jareth from the clutches of the Goblins. Set in 18th-century Venice, Italy, *Jim Henson's Labyrinth: Coronation* is a striking look into the history of the *Labyrinth* itself, and what happens to the little boys who don't get rescued. This is the untold history of the Goblin King. Collects issues #1-4.

A portrait of the 19th-century diplomat and writer best known for *The Legend of Sleepy Hollow* and *Rip Van Winkle* evaluates his wild popularity, friendships with such contemporaries as Charles Dickens and Henry Wadsworth Longfellow and determined efforts to cultivate his own public persona. Reissue.

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