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winner of the royal philharmonic society storytelling award the lives loves adventures and trailblazing musical careers of four extraordinary women from a stunning debut biographer fabulous sunday times a rare gift financial times passionate vivid timely telegraph readable and inspiring guardian compelling ambitious poignant spectator magnificent kate mosse riveting antonia fraser a breath of fresh air kate molleson fascinating alexandra harris wonderful claire tomalin splendid miranda seymour remarkable fiona maddocks pioneering andrew motion brilliant helen pankhurst ethel smyth b 1858 famed for her operas this trailblazing queer victorian composer was a larger than life socialite intrepid traveller and committed suffragette rebecca clarke b 1886 this talented violist and pre raphaelite beauty was one of the first women ever hired by a professional orchestra later celebrated for her modernist experimentation dorothy howell b 1898 a prodigy who shot to fame at the 1919 proms her reputation as the english strauss never dented her modesty on retirement she tended elgar s grave alone doreen carwithen b 1922 one of britain s first woman film composers who scored elizabeth ii s coronation film her success hid a 20 year affair with her married composition tutor in their time these women were

celebrities they composed some of the century's most popular music and pioneered creative careers but today they are ghostly presences surviving only as muses and footnotes to male contemporaries like Elgar, Vaughan Williams and Britten. Until now Leah Broad's magnificent group biography resurrects these forgotten voices recounting lives of rebellion, heartbreak and ambition and celebrating their musical masterpieces lighting up a panoramic sweep of British history over two world wars. Quartet revolutionises the canon forever shortlisted for the slightly foxed Best First Biography Prize 2023.

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It is a selection of diaries, letters, poems written by Anglophone travellers like Coleridge, Wilde, Woolf, Ruskin, Pound, Lawrence, Durrell, Forster. They visited Sicily and left their memories at the end of the book. There is a list of all famous British and American writers that visited the island. Il testo raccoglie una selezione di viaggiatori di tradizione anglofona quali Coleridge, Wilde, Woolf, Ruskin, Pound, Lawrence, Durrell, ecc. che tracciano dei percorsi originali e innovativi nel periplo dell'isola e in particolare Taormina, il territorio etneo. Ogni testo tratto dalle fonti originali viene presentato con una breve contestualizzazione storica e biografica di ogni autore e una ricostruzione dell'itinerario di viaggio e delle principali tappe. In appendice l'elenco di tutti gli scrittori anglofoni che hanno visitato l'isola.

The novel *The Island of the Elmys* is set in a village of Sicily. It touches four generations of a well-to-do family and relates the tragic and humorous occurrences in the life of each member of that family. The story is narrated by a young girl, Marianna, whose romantic ideals and openness are often in conflict with the secretive and reserved nature of her family. Marianna loves the more salubrious and rustic lifestyle of the land workers as opposed to the refined and sophisticated lifestyle of her aristocratic family. She feels the former to be an honest way of life and the latter a pretentious and artificial one. Marianna, with the exuberance of youth, would like to see a radical change in the way her family deals with certain issues. She herself represents a slowly changing society. However, the people whose beliefs have been forged and impressed into their very soul by generations of tumultuous historical events are resistant to change. Eventually, Marianna learns to appreciate the island's cultural richness and its paradox: a sense of history and mythology, superstition and religion, in fact, often exist alongside one another and are portrayed in the novel. The novel touches also on both the First and Second World Wars because two members of Marianna's family, her grandfather and father, fought in each war respectively. It depicts every human emotion by means of adopting humor and tragedy throughout. One might say that in the novel *The Island of the Elmys* there is a book within the book as the lives of Marianna's great grandparents and grandparents emerge, the former being read by Nonna from her mother's memoirs.

and the latter narrated by nonna herself when finally marianna is comfortable with who she is different from the rest of her family she is torn away from her birthplace for the great unknown which happens to be australia the story ends with the uprooting of the girl by the family who intun has to forfeit and abandon every dream and thus becoming the innocent victim of the tragedy of emigration

gospel music was a significant part of not only who elvis became as a man but as an artist as well as elvis mania continues to consume generation after generation throughout the world fans still crave new insights into the person of elvis presley this book takes a look at his roots and the role of gospel in his foundational years as well as the comfort solace and strength it offered him in the years of his meteoric rise in popularity with the addition of 150 little known facts about elvis and eight unique appendices not included in the original hardcover book this paperback edition the gospel side of elvis reveals much about the elvis so many have yet to discover and is sure to become a collector s treasure

rising up from the heart of the mediterranean sicily has a rich and ancient history spanning over 2 000 years a bounty prized by invaders from the greeks romans and vandals to the byzantines arabs and normans sicily s violently beautiful landscapes are haunted by a vibrant mix of cultures and her soil has always been fertile ground for the literary and artistic imagination this compelling guide uncovers the island s multi faceted personality through those literary figures who have managed to get under her skin from pindar cicero and aeschylus to shakespeare and cervantes dh lawrence coleridge and oscar wilde to truman capote tennessee williams ezra pound and lawrence durrell as well as local writers who have defined the modern italian novel giuseppe tomasi di lampedusa and leonardo sciascia through their words and lives we witness the beauty pain and power of the sicilian cultural landscape and discover how the potent mix of influences on the island s society has been preserved forever in literature

in diversions in sicily henry festing jones embarks on a rich exploration of sicily s multifaceted landscape weaving together personal anecdotes historical insights and cultural observations the book is characterized by its lyrical prose and vivid imagery capturing the island s breathtaking scenery ancient ruins and vibrant local life jones writes with a keen sense of curiosity and an appreciation for the layered history that informs sicilian identity offering readers a nuanced portrait of a place that has been shaped by diverse civilizations from the greeks to the normans henry festing jones an accomplished author and scholar brings to this work a deep understanding of european culture and a passion for travel writing his experiences and scholarly pursuits particularly in the context of italian history and art inform his narrative style and thematic concerns this dual perspective allows him to transcend mere travelogue enriching the reader s experience with philosophical reflections on culture time and the human spirit diversions in sicily is a must read for anyone with an interest in travel literature mediterranean history or sicily itself jones s insightful observations and evocative prose invite readers to immerse themselves in the beauty and complexity of this enchanting island making it a quintessential companion for both armchair travelers and avid explorers in this enriched edition we have carefully created added value for your reading experience hand picked memorable quotes shine a spotlight on moments of literary brilliance interactive footnotes clarify unusual references historical allusions and archaic phrases for an effortless more informed read

giacomo meyerbeer 1791 1864 was a great musical dramatist in his own right the fame of his operas rests on his radical treatment of form his development of scenic complexes and greater plasticity of structure and melody his dynamic use of the orchestra and close attention to all aspects of presentation and production all of which set new standards in romantic opera and dramaturgy this book carries forward the process of rediscovery and reassessment of meyerbeer s art including not just his famous french operas but also his german and italian ones placing them in the context of his entire dramatic oeuvre including his ballets oratorios cantatas and incidental music from meyerbeer s first stage presentation in 1810 to his great posthumous accolade in 1865 some 24 works mark the unfolding of this life lived for dramatic music the reputation of the famous four grand operas may well live on in the public consciousness but the other works remain largely unknown this book provides an approachable introduction to them the works have been divided into their generic types for quick reference and helpful association and placed within the context of the composer s life and artistic development each section unfolds a brief history of the work s origins an account of the plot a critical survey of some of its musical characteristics and a record of its performance history robert letellier examines each work from a dramaturgical view point including the essential often challenging philosophical and historical elements in the scenarios and how these concepts were translated musically onto the stage a series of portraits and stage iconography assist in bringing the works to life

giacomo meyerbeer was once one of the most famous of all opera composers enjoying into the twentieth century the same universal admiration and performance as a composer like puccini does today through a series of adverse factors his reputation was seriously damaged with the resurgence of nationalism and the growing ant semitism in france and germany at the end of the nineteenth century the propagation of a wagnerian operatic aesthetic the decline of the bel canto vocal tradition and the disfavour manifested towards the heroism of french grand opera all these factors and especially the ban on his music in nazi germany meant that meyerbeer s reputation was seriously overshadowed in the years after the second world war during the 1960s and 1970s a tentative interest began to manifest itself and with the advent of the new millennium a growing rediscovery of his operas has been apparent not least in this process has been the recovery of all the composer s private papers and their scholarly editing his life and work have been the subject of a growing number of informed studies which have enabled radical reassessment this volume takes a fresh look at this process of rediscovery by considering the composer in terms of the primary sources diaries and letters now available for forming a more complete and detailed biography unclouded by prejudicial or uninformed opinions the extraordinary nature of meyerbeer s jewish background and the role of this family in prussian emancipation are also considered most importantly however his life and works are presented in a critical chronology that is fundamentally based on his own private papers with testimony both positive and negative from many contemporary sources a detailed iconography is integral to this process and helps to bring meyerbeer s story and music more vividly to life

imaginative analytical and critical work on british music of the early twentieth century has been hindered by perceptions of the repertory as insular in its references and backward in its style and syntax escaping the modernity that surrounded its composers recent research has begun to break down these perceptions and has found intriguing links between british music and modernism this book brings together contributions from scholars working

in analysis hermeneutics reception history critical theory and the history of ideas three overall themes emerge from its chapters accounts of british reactions to continental modernism and the forms they took links between music and the visual arts and analysis and interpretation of compositions in the light of recent theoretical work on form tonality and pitch organization

extensively revised with new material the book also includes a study of imogen hoist s music and a chronological list of her works revealing her as a composer of tremendous talent whose music deserves to be much more familiar

anyone interested in music often wants to place pieces in context for example to know who wrote them and when and where they were first performed the new oxford dictionary of musical works provides short articles on over 1750 pieces including operas and ballets and choral vocal orchestral chamber and instrumental pieces including operas and ballets choral vocal orchestral chamber and instrumental pieces other genres included are collections national anthems and traditional melodies each entry provides the essential information about each piece the details of its genre the composer librettist the number of movements or acts and important dates surrounding the piece fully cross referenced the dictionary also includes an appendix of nicknamed compositions such as the pastoral symphony as well as an index of composers and a glossary of terms thorough and illuminating the oxford dictionary of musical works is an absolute necessity for any music lover

first published in 1994 in one volume an a z of the music musicians and discs 2006 edition available as an e book

a new york times notable book of the year an autobiography of one of the towering figures of contemporary american music and a powerful meditation on history race capitalism and art a best book of the year the new york times npr the new yorker henry threadgill has had a singular life in music at 79 the saxophonist flautist and celebrated composer is one of three jazz artists along with ornette coleman and wynton marsalis to have won a pulitzer prize in easily slip into another world threadgill recalls his childhood and upbringing in chicago his family life and education and his brilliant career in music here are riveting recollections of the music scene in chicago in the early 1960s when threadgill developed his craft among friends and schoolmates who would go on to form the core of the highly influential association for the advancement of creative musicians aacm the year and a half he spent touring with an evangelical preacher in the mid 1960s his military service in vietnam a riveting tale in itself but also representative of an under recognized aspect of jazz history given the number of musicians in threadgill s generation who served in the armed forces we appreciate his genius as he travels to the netherlands venezuela trinidad sicily and goa enriching his art immerses himself in the volatile downtown scene in new york city in the 1970s and 1980s collaborates with choreographers writers and theater directors as well as an astonishing range of musicians from aacm stalwarts muhal richard abrams roscoe mitchell wadada leo smith and leroy jenkins to chicago bluesmen downtown luminaries and world music innovators shares his impressions of the recording industry his perspectives on music education and the history of black music in the united states and of course accounts for his work with the various ensembles he has directed over the past five decades

usa today bestselling author he seduced an innocent hotel chambermaid but can one night turn into a lifelong love seduced when hotel chambermaid sophie delivers room service to sicily s most dark hearted tycoon bastiano conti his raw sexuality tempts her to take the ultimate risk surrendering her untouched body to his shamed bastiano s ruthlessness is renowned but even his conscience flickers when sophie is fired for their indiscretion the memories of which are branded onto his very soul and disappears pregnant bastiano finds sophie working in a bar disgraced destitute and pregnant rejected by his own family bastiano is determined to claim his child by seducing defiant sophie into wearing his ring

the amadeus quartet which was active from 1948 until 1987 when its viola player peter schidlof died is probably the most famous and distinguished string quartet of the 20th century it played to a wide variety of audiences on innumerable occasions in all the major countries of the world and produced a galaxy of recordings many of which are still available the intensity of its music making was breathtaking muriel nissel the author of married to the amadeus is the wife of siegmund nissel the second violinist her book tells the extraordinary and moving story of the quartet with its many triumphs and its periodic setbacks and traumas from the inside for the forty years from its inception during the time after the second world war up to the 1980s she reveals how it moulded the lives of the four players and their wives and families in unexpected ways and how they all became inextricably involved in this unique joint enterprise the fashion in which work and family life interacted was crucial to the quartet s survival she returned to her professional life as a statistician when the children went to school and describes how difficult it was in the 1960s for a married woman with children to achieve equal status with men at work and she tells of the problems she also had to face at home finding satisfactory ways of caring for her family remarkably the four members of the quartet remained unchanged throughout they each of them had exceptional qualities norbert brainin the first violin siegmund nissel and peter schidlof all refugees from vienna had first met in internment camps in britain in 1940 martin lovet the cellist joined them not long after the war at a moment when the musical climate was sympathetic to chamber music and the record industry was booming they never looked back nobody who has read muriel nissel s absorbing book will ever be able to listen to a string quartet again without being aware of the immense commitment such a group demands of the players and of their families too and of the longstanding emotional aesthetic and organizational complexities it entails andrew green in classical music a thoroughly absorbing well written account of the amadeus quartet story observed from the inside it has the benefit of many penetrating insights not simply into how wives and families are affected by the lifestyle adopted of necessity by the members of a top notch ensemble but into the true nature of that lifestyle itself it is a book in truth about an octet with all the characters utterly believable aided by an excellent photographic record plus an appendix containing not just a complete discography but a list of all the quartets who have benefited from the amadeus international summer course very revealing patrick carnegy in tls there are memorable sketches of musician colleagues cecil aronowitz alfred brendel david oistrakh and of the amadeus playing britten s third quartet privately to the composer only months before his death the legacy of the amadeus lives on in their recordings and in the many fine ensembles they have coached looking back on the forty years of their pre eminence in the classic string quartet repertory it is amazing how much of their reputation was won by the sheer quality of their performances unaided by the marketing and image making that is par for the course today the story of the invisible life of the wolf gang is never less than candidly and engagingly told

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