

## Off The Road My Years With Cassady Kerouac And Ginsberg

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the first collection of letters between the two leading figures of the beat movement writers and cultural icons jack kerouac and allen ginsberg are the most celebrated names of the beat generation linked together not only by their shared artistic sensibility but also by a deep and abiding friend ship one that colored their lives and greatly influenced their writing editors bill morgan and david stanford shed new light on this intimate and influential friendship in this fascinating exchange of letters between kerouac and ginsberg two thirds of which have never been published before commencing in 1944 while ginsberg was a student at

columbia university and continuing until shortly before kerouac s death in 1969 the two hundred letters included in this book provide astonishing insight into their lives and their writing while not always in agreement ginsberg and kerouac inspired each other spiritually and creatively and their letters became a vital workshop for their art vivid engaging and enthralling jack kerouac and allen ginsberg the letters provides an unparalleled portrait of the two men who led the cultural and artistic movement that defined their generation

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collects 200 letters exchanged by the celebrated beat movement writers to offer insight into their abiding friendship and artistic views in a volume that spans the period from ginsberg s columbia education until shortly before kerouac s death

the francophilia of the beat circle in the new york of the mid 1940s is well known as is the importance of the beat hotel in the paris of the late 1950s and early 1960s but how exactly did french literature and culture participate in the emergence of the beat generation french modernism did much more than inspire its first major writers it materially shaped their works as this comparative study reveals through close textual analysis of william burroughs allen ginsberg and jack kerouac s appropriations of french literature and culture sometimes acknowledged sometimes not their appropriations take multiple forms ranging from allusions invocations and citations to adaptations and translations and they involve a vast array of works including the poetic realist films of carné and cocteau the existentialist philosophy of sartre and the poems and novels of baudelaire rimbaud proust gide apollinaire st john perse artaud céline genet and michaux while clarifying the extent of burroughs ginsberg and kerouac s engagements with french literature and culture in depth analysis of their textual appropriations emphasises differences in their views of literature philosophy and politics which help us understand the early beat circle was divided from the start the book s close readings also transform our perception of burroughs cut up practice kerouac s spontaneous prose and ginsberg s poetics of open secrecy

lardas examines the new visions of the three artists and their beat religiosity wherein they lived their religion of real life experience rather than faith by rejecting the cultural tenets of postwar america each man took on the discourse of the public theology created physical enactments of a religious representation of the world and through literature changed the interpretation of modern religion

allen ginsberg 1926 1997 was one of the most famous american poets of the twentieth century yet his career is distinguished by not only his strong contributions to literature but also social justice conversations with allen ginsberg collects interviews from 1962 to 1997 that chart ginsberg s intellectual spiritual and political evolution ginsberg s mother naomi was afflicted by mental illness and ginsberg s childhood was marked by his difficult relationship with her however he also gained from her a sense of the necessity to fight against social injustice that would mark his political commitments while a student at columbia university ginsberg would meet jack kerouac william s burroughs and gregory corso and the beat generation was born ginsberg researched deeply the social issues he cared about and this becomes clear with each interview ginsberg discusses all manner of topics including censorship laws the legalization of marijuana and gay rights a particularly interesting aspect of the book is the inclusion of interviews that explore ginsberg s interests in buddhist philosophy and his intensive reading in a variety of spiritual traditions conversations with allen ginsberg also explores the poet s relationship with bob dylan and the beatles and the final interviews concentrate on his various musical projects involving the adapting of poems by william blake as well as settings of his own poetry this is an essential collection for all those interested in beat literature and twentieth century american culture

carolyn cassady s story of her life at the center of the beat generation

the second volume in the acclaimed series that brings to life the groups of avant garde writers artists and patrons who were keystones of what has come to be called modernism this book sheds new light on the hard living maverick poets and novelists william s burroughs allen ginsberg jack kerouac and others who coalesced into the beats illustrations

in the post world war ii era authors of the beat generation produced some of the most enduring literature of the day more than six decades since work of the beat poets conjures images of unconventionality defiance and a changing consciousness that

permeated the 1950s and 60s in recent years the key texts of beat authors such as allen ginsberg william s burroughs and jack kerouac have been appropriated for a new generation in feature length films graphic novels and other media in adapting the beat poets burroughs ginsberg and kerouac on screen michael j prince examines how works by these authors have been translated to film looking primarily at three key works burroughs naked lunch ginsberg s howl and kerouac s on the road prince considers how beat literature has been significantly altered by the unintended intrusion of irony or other inflections prince also explores how these screen adaptations offer evidence of a growing cultural thirst for authenticity even as mediated in postmodern works additional works discussed in this volume include the subterraneans towers open fire the junky s christmas and big sur by examining the screen versions of the beat triumvirate s creations this volume questions the ways in which their original works serve as artistic anchors and whether these films honor the authentic intent of the authors adapting the beat poets is a valuable resource for anyone studying the beat generation including scholars of literature film and american history

more often associated with hedonism and cheap thrills than with notions of alienation and suffering beat literature has rarely been envisaged from the perspective of the paradoxical dynamics at play in the writings what this book evidences is that the sacrosanct quest for transcendence staged by kerouac and by ginsberg is underpinned primarily by a trope of nullification that acts as a menace for the self this tropism for destruction and death is not only emblematic of their works it is also used as a literary strategy that seeks to conquer the fear of self annihilation through the writing itself it is precisely this interplay approached through an existentialism that simultaneously converges upon the transcendentalist legacy of beat writing which probes the paradoxical dimension of the texts enabling the mythological figure of thanatos to take centre stage the critical synergy of the book brought about by relating american literature and culture to european thought enables in depth analyses of a selection of novels and poems grasped through their aesthetic ontological and historical dimensions shedding new light on the literary strategies of two widely misunderstood american writers of the twentieth century this captivating study into the drives for self destruction and self liberation encapsulated by kerouac and ginsberg sets out to reinvent the well worn definition of beat through its original approach an essential critical piece for all those interested in the american counterculture

in 1977 twenty years after the publication of his landmark poem howl and jack kerouac s seminal book on the road allen ginsberg

decided it was time to teach a course on the literary history of the beat generation through the creation of this course which he ended up teaching five times first at the naropa institute and later at brooklyn college ginsberg saw an opportunity to present the history of beat literature in his own inimitable way compiled and edited by renowned beat scholar bill morgan and with an introduction by anne waldman the best minds of my generation presents the lectures in edited form complete with notes and paints a portrait of the beats as ginsberg knew them friends confidantes literary mentors and fellow revolutionaries ginsberg was seminal to the creation of a public perception of beat writers and knew all of the major figures personally making him uniquely qualified to be the historian of the movement in the best minds of my generation ginsberg shares anecdotes of meeting kerouac burroughs and other writers for the first time explains his own poetics elucidates the importance of music to beat writing discusses visual influences and the cut up method and paints a portrait of a group who were leading a literary revolution for beat aficionados and neophytes alike the best minds of my generation is a personal yet critical look at one of the most important literary movements of the twentieth century

an intimate member of allen ginsberg s circle and the editor of many of his works miles is the only person with access to the poet s enormous personal archives to create this definitive biography full of rich human detail and wonderful anecdotes photos

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includes material on jack kerouac gregory corso allen ginsburg william s burroughs gary snyder and kenneth rexrorth among others

in this fascinating and informative exploration of the relationship between drugs and literature the reader will discover the lives and writings of three celebrated beat writers jack kerouac allen ginsberg and william s burroughs in examining the drugs they used and the consequent effects on how they lived what they wrote about and how they wrote the author offers an intriguing study of the role of drugs in the creative process no literary movement had ever explored such a variety of drugs heroin morphine alcohol amphetamines marijuana lsd etc with such such intensity as these three iconic writers as precursors to and models for a whole generation of flower children they had a profound impact not only in literature but on the whole of society

an illuminating glimpse into the life and art of beat legend jack kerouac through a collection of letters that reveals the boldness and originality of kerouac s artistic vision the boston globe it remains clear from his later letters that kerouac understood what he was doing as a writer he consistently explains his aesthetic his plan to create the duluoaz legend of books and the essentially benign charity of his vision san francisco chronicle the first volume of jack kerouac s selected letters was hailed as an important and revealing addition to kerouac scholarship this second and final volume comprising letters written between 1957 the year on the road was published and the day before his death in 1969 at age forty seven tells kerouac s life story through his candid correspondences with friends confidants and editors among them allen ginsberg william burroughs philip whalen lawrence ferlinghetti joyce johnson and malcolm cowley documenting his continuing development as a writer and his travels love affairs and complicated family life the letters also reveal kerouac s amazing courage in the face of criticism and his never ending quest to be the best writer possible kerouac selected letters 1957 1969 offers unparalleled insight into the life and mind of this giant of the american landscape

were they angel headed hipsters dope smoking dropouts or the most exciting group of writers in postwar american literature their stories of drugs sex and the search for an alternative to squaresville have cornered the market in cult literature remaining hip even while being taught on university courses and in schools on the road naked lunch and howl have become milestones of underground literature and the key beats kerouac burroughs and ginsberg are mythic figures of contemporary pop culture this pocket essential provides an introductory essay examining the importance of the writers and their work in american culture separate chapters are devoted to the lives and work of burroughs ginsberg and kerouac later chapters discuss the other members of this movement neal cassady herbert huncke and many more the beats on film and their influence on the counterculture of the 60s

it was in his letters that jack kerouac set down the raw material that he transmuted into his novels exploring and refining the spontaneous prose style that became his trademark the letters in this volume written between 1940 when kerouac was a freshman at college and 1956 immediately before his breathless leap into celebrity with the publication of on the road offer invaluable insights into kerouac s family life his friendships with neal and carolyn cassady allen ginsberg gary snyder and william s burroughs

his travels love affairs and literary apprenticeship at once fascinating reading and a major addition to kerouac scholarship here is a rare portrait of the writer as a young adventurer of immense talent energy and ambition in the midst of writing and living an american legend

a memoir of jack kerouac and neal cassady taking off from the text of kerouac s visions of cody also contains previously unpublished letters by neal cassady a recently discovered manuscript of ginsberg s from denver 1947 drawings by basil king and previously unpublished photos of ginsberg kerouac cassady and peter orlovsky

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