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Dig If You Will the Picture Wesleyan University Press

Despite the influence of African American music and study as a worldwide phenomenon, no comprehensive and fully annotated reference tool currently exists that covers the wide range of genres. This much needed bibliography fills an important gap in this research area and will prove an indispensable resource for librarians and scholars studying African American music and culture.

The Beat U of Minnesota Press

The famous trombonist and arranger from the James Brown band and Parliament-Funkadelic tells his own story.

Funky Nassau Univ. Press of Mississippi
Party Music explores the culture and politics of the Black Power era of the late 1960s, when the rise of a black militant movement also gave rise to a "Black Awakening" in the arts--and especially in music. Here Rickey Vincent, the award-winning author of *Funk*, explores the relationship of soul music to the Black Power movement from the vantage point of the musicians and black revolutionaries themselves. Party Music introduces readers to the Black Panther's own band, the Lumpen, a group comprised of rank-and-file members of the Oakland, California-based Party. During their year-long tenure, the Lumpen produced hard-driving rhythm-and-blues that asserted the revolutionary ideology of the Black Panthers. Through his rediscovery of the Lumpen, and based on new interviews with Party and band members, Vincent provides an insider's account of black power politics and soul music aesthetics in an original narrative that reveals more detail about the Black Revolution than ever before. Rickey Vincent is the author of *Funk: The Music, The People, and the Rhythm of the One*, and has written for the *Washington Post*, *American Legacy*, and the *Los Angeles Review of Books*. He teaches at the University of California, Berkeley.

Blues, Funk, Rhythm and Blues, Soul, Hip Hop, and Rap
Duke University Press

"The Beat is the first book to explore the musical,

social, and cultural phenomenon of go-go. Rooted in funk and hip-hop, go-go - the only musical form indigenous to Washington, D.C. - features a highly syncopated, nonstop beat and vocals that are spoken as well as sung. This book chronicles the development and ongoing popularity of go-go, focusing on many of its key figures and institutions, including established acts like Chuck Brown (the Godfather of Go-Go), Experience Unlimited, Rare Essence, and Trouble Funk; well-known DJs, managers, and promoters; and filmmakers who have incorporated go-go into their work."--BOOK

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Groove Theory Wipf and Stock Publishers

Beginning in the year of Prince's birth, 1958, with the recording of Minnesota's first R&B record by a North Minneapolis band called the Big Ms, *Got to Be Something Here* traces the rise of that distinctive sound through two generations of political upheaval, rebellion, and artistic passion. Funk and soul become a lens for exploring three decades of Minneapolis and St. Paul history as longtime music journalist Andrea Swensson takes us through the neighborhoods and venues, and the lives and times, that produced the Minneapolis Sound. Visit the Near North neighborhood where soul artist Wee Willie Walker, recording engineer David Hersk, and the Big Ms first put the Minneapolis Sound on record. Across the Mississippi River in the historic Rondo district of St. Paul, the gospel-meets-R&B groups the Exciters and the Amazers take hold of a community that will soon be all but erased by the construction of I-94. From King Solomon's Mines to the Flame, from The Way in Near North to the First Avenue stage (then known as Sam's) where Prince would make a triumphant

hometown return in 1981, Swensson traces the journeys of black artists who were hard-pressed to find venues and outlets for their music, struggling to cross the color line as they honed their sound. And through it all, there's the music: blistering, sweltering, relentless funk, soul, and R&B from artists like Maurice McKinnies, Haze, Prophets of Peace, and The Family, who refused to be categorized and whose boundary-shattering approach set the stage for a young Prince Rogers Nelson and his peers Morris Day, André Cymone, Jimmy Jam, and Terry Lewis to launch their careers, and the Minneapolis Sound, into the stratosphere. A visit to Prince's Paisley Park and a conversation with the artist provide a rare glimpse into his world and an intimate sense of his relationship to his legacy and the music he and his friends crafted in their youth.

The One Simon and Schuster

A memoir by Morris Day of *The Time* centering around his lifelong relationship and association with Prince. Brilliant composer, smooth soul singer, killer drummer, and charismatic band leader, Morris Day, has been a force in American music for the past four decades. In *On Time*, the renowned funkster looks back on a life of turbulence and triumph. He chronicles his creative process with an explosive prose that mirrors his intoxicating music. Morris' story is a fast-paced page-turner replete with unexpected twists and shocking surprises. A major and fascinating theme is his lifelong friendship and years of musical partnership with Prince, from their early days on the Minneapolis scene to selling out stadiums and duking it out as rivals in *Purple Rain*. Eventually, Morris went on to release four albums with a new band of his very own, the legendary *Time*. He battled his addictions and came out victorious. But not before increasing tensions and embittered rivalry between Prince and the *Revolution* and Morris Day and the *Time* led the two performers towards separate paths. Through the years, the fierce brotherly love between Morris and Prince kept bringing them back together, over and over again-

until pride, ego, and circumstance interfered. Two months before Prince's untimely death, the two finally reconnected and started to make amends. But Morris could've never imagined it would be the last time he'd ever see his friend again. This is Morris Day's singular story in which the magic of music is the ultimate healer. On Time is also a deep meditation on friendship, Morris' poetic method of reconciling the loss of his close friend and longtime collaborator, and a way to commemorate an incendiary life cut short. But this book is more than just a walk down memory lane-it's a metaphorical means to bring Prince back to life. Throughout the narrative, Morris allows Prince's "voice" to protect his own legacy, to counter Morris's interpretations of events, and to essentially breathe new life into a tale as old as time-of two brothers, two bands, and a musical culture that even today pulsates with fresh energy. [What the Funk Do You Know?](#) Spiegel & Grau

From Grammy-winning musical icon and legendary bassist Victor L. Wooten comes an inspiring parable of music, life, and the difference between playing all the right notes...and feeling them. The Music Lesson is the story of a struggling young musician who wanted music to be his life, and who wanted his life to be great. Then, from nowhere it seemed, a teacher arrived. Part musical genius, part philosopher, part eccentric wise man, the teacher would guide the young musician on a spiritual journey, and teach him that the gifts we get from music mirror those from life, and every movement, phrase, and chord has its own meaning...All you have to do is find the song inside. "The best book on music (and its connection to the mystic laws of life) that I've ever read. I learned so much on every level." —Multiple Grammy Award-winning saxophonist Michael Brecker

Multifarious Funk - the Evolution and Biography of George Clinton and the Parliament-Funkadelic Empire Hal Leonard Corporation

The first in-depth biography of one of music's most fascinating, colourful and innovative characters. This book is the most comprehensive history yet of the life, music and cultural significance of the last of the great black music pioneers and the era which spawned him. Clinton stands alongside James Brown, Jimi Hendrix and Sly Stone as one of the most influential black artists of all time who, along with his vast P-Funk army took black funk into the US charts and sold out stadiums by the mid 1970s with his mind-blowing shows and legendary Mothership extravaganzas. The book contains first hand interview material with Clinton,

Bootsy Collins, Jerome Bigfoot Brailey, Junie Morrison, Bobby Gillespie, Afrika Bambaataa, Jalal Nuriddin (Last Poets), Juan Atkins, John Sinclair, Rob Tyner (MC5), Ed Sanders (The Fugs), Chip Monck ("The Voice of Woodstock") plus other P-Funk associates and friends. The book presents an insiders' view of the rise of Parliament and Funkadelic from the doowop era and LSD-crazed early shows through to P-Funk's huge rise, the era of the Mothership and beyond. Kill 'em and Leave Duke University Press

The Beat! was the first book to explore the musical, social, and cultural phenomenon of go-go music. In this new edition, updated by a substantial chapter on the current scene, authors Kip Lornell and Charles C. Stephenson, Jr., place go-go within black popular music made since the middle 1970s--a period during which hip-hop has predominated. This styling reflects the District's African American heritage. Its super-charged drumming and vocal combinations of hip-hop, funk, and soul evolved and still thrive on the streets of Washington, D.C., and in neighboring Prince George's County, making it ...

George Clinton & The Cosmic Odyssey of the P-Funk Empire Chicago Review Press

What does it mean to be in the groove?

[The Beat!](#) Sphere

Maceo Parker's signature style became the lynchpin of James Brown's band when he and his brother Melvin joined the Hardest Working Man in Show Business in 1964. That style helped define Brown's brand of funk, and the phrase "Maceo, I want you to blow!" became part of the lexicon of black music. He took time off from James Brown to play with George Clinton's P-funk collective and with Bootsy's Rubber Band; he also formed his own band, Maceo and All the King's Men, whose records are cult favorites among funk aficionados. Here Maceo tells his own warm and astonishing story, from his Southern upbringing to his career touring the world and playing to adoring fans. Maceo has long called his approach to the saxophone "2% jazz, 98% funky stuff." Now, on the eve of Maceo's 70th birthday, in prose as lively and funky as his saxophone playing, here is the definitive story of one of the funkier musicians alive.

Funknology CreateSpace

Funk Music: A Critical Enquiry renders Funk Music through revealing

interdisciplinary perspectives, focusing on its roots, P-Funk, and the classic 1960-70s era. The author, Williams, challenges his readers to understand Funk Music in new ways. Funk Music: A Critical Enquiry asks fundamental questions about the context of Funk music; whether it was simply the result of a historical moment or the commodification of Black struggle, to notions of 'Black voice' and authenticity in performance. Williams offers an alternative analysis of the Funk Music sound, focusing on ways to approach the music where traditional musicology has failed. Williams also traces the roots of the P-Funk aesthetic through Biblical ideology and African ontology asking whether the Mothership Connection really was just about a pimp in a spaceship-shaped papier-mâché Cadillac. This phenomenological analysis presents readers with a starting point for a range of further reading, exploring links between Funk Music and musicology, semiotics, historical study, cultural analysis, political discourse, race relations, as well as a range of ontological, metaphysical and religious perspectives. Little else has been written specifically about Funk music in any academic context, whether purely or jointly from musical, historical, cultural, or political standpoints. This book brings all these stems together in one place.

[Rhythm and Blues, Rap, and Hip-hop](#) Retro Books

the autobiography of Dawn Silva former singer with Sly and the Family Stone, Parliament-Funkadelic, The Brides of Funkenstein, Gap Band, and a solo artist as well. In a world that strives for success, why would a management company deliberately sabotage its female recording artists? Especially after they were winning back-to-back music awards, with chart-topping records and had a trademark sound that sold millions. Long before the 2018 #Me Too Movement, there was the story of a rebellious American female recording artist who escaped and survived an era of subjugated institutions, misogyny, physical and mental abuse, beating the odds and recapturing a worldwide underground cult following. This true story is no longer Funk's Best Kept Secret. It is a story of survival and persistence, a tale of a courageous woman who stood against the male-dominated music industry and never backed down; no matter how often she was knocked down, and

each time, she would rise stronger and better than before.

Funk! It's What's for Dinner St.

Martin's Griffin

The definitive biography of James Brown, the Godfather of Soul, with fascinating findings on his life as a Civil Rights activist, an entrepreneur, and the most innovative musician of our time *Playing 350* shows a year at his peak, with more than forty Billboard hits, James Brown was a dazzling showman who transformed American music. His life offstage was just as vibrant, and until now no biographer has delivered a complete profile. *The One* draws on interviews with more than 100 people who knew Brown personally or played with him professionally. Using these sources, award-winning writer RJ Smith draws a portrait of a man whose twisted and amazing life helps us to understand the music he made. *The One* delves deeply into the story of a man who was raised in abject-almost medieval-poverty in the segregated South but grew up to earn (and lose) several fortunes. Covering everything from Brown's unconventional childhood (his aunt ran a bordello), to his role in the Black Power movement, which used "Say It Loud (I'm Black and Proud)" as its anthem, to his high-profile friendships, to his complicated family life, Smith's meticulous research and sparkling prose blend biography with a cultural history of a pivotal era. At the heart of *The One* is Brown's musical genius. He had crucial influence as an artist during at least three decades; he inspires pity, awe, and revulsion. As Smith traces the legend's reinvention of funk, soul, R&B, and pop, he gives this history a melody all its own.

Party Music Bloomsbury Publishing USA

A Hugo Award-winning author and music journalist explores the weird and wild story of when rock 'n' roll met the sci-fi world of the 1970s. As the 1960s drew to a close, and mankind trained its telescopes on other worlds, old conventions gave way to a new kind of hedonistic freedom that celebrated sex, drugs, and rock 'n' roll. Derided as nerdy or dismissed as fluff, science fiction rarely gets credit for its catalyzing effect on this revolution. In *Strange Stars*, Jason Heller recasts sci-fi and pop music as parallel cultural forces that depended on one another to expand the horizons of books, music, and out-of-this-world imagery. In doing so, he presents a whole generation of revered musicians as

the sci-fi-obsessed conjurers they really were: from Sun Ra lecturing on the black man in the cosmos, to Pink Floyd jamming live over the broadcast of the Apollo 11 moon landing; from a wave of Star Wars disco chart toppers and synthesiser-wielding post-punks, to Jimi Hendrix distilling the "purplish haze" he discovered in a pulp novel into psychedelic song. Of course, the whole scene was led by David Bowie, who hid in the balcony of a movie theater to watch *2001: A Space Odyssey*, and came out a changed man... If today's culture of Comic Con fanatics, superhero blockbusters, and classic sci-fi reboots has us thinking that the nerds have won at last, *Strange Stars* brings to life an era of unparalleled and unearthly creativity—in magazines, novels, films, records, and concerts—to point out that the nerds have been winning all along. On Time Henry Holt

Funk used to be a bad word. That was then. Now, funk is a pervasive style of music that has earned its rightful place alongside such other aural American art forms such as folk, blues, jazz and rock 'n' roll. What's more, for those who free themselves, funk is a positive state of consciousness that brings together mind, body and soul in a quasi-spiritual experience of mesmerizing intensity. It took quite a while for funk to gain the respect it deserves. As with most other American music forms of the 20th century, funk remained a predominantly black phenomenon until the white public caught up and embraced it some 20 years after the fact. It had to survive the psychedelic 1960s, the disco 1970s and the new wave 1980s. This long-overdue book is a labor of love from a devout lifelong funk enthusiast. *Everything Is on the One: The First Guide to Funk* is designed to serve as an eye-opener for the uninitiated and as a reference guide for those already indoctrinated. The following pages thoroughly examine every aspect of funk through the inclusion of assorted text, reviews and lists. Everyone from J.B., Sly Stone and Hendrix to Clinton, Prince and the Red Hot Chili Peppers to Kool & the Gang and the Isley Brothers to the Bar-Kays and Slave to Run-D.M.C. and Dr. Dre to Stanley Clarke and Tom Browne to Muddy Waters and Stevie Ray Vaughan to the Talking Heads and Aerosmith is covered. There isn't really any specific formula for funk. But, you must have the right attitude and the music has to be on THE ONE. THE

ONE stands for the first beat of standard four/four time in music (four counts per measure). Funk jumps on the first beat with a hard accent and then lays back in the groove for counts two through four. So just about everything in this book is on THE ONE. The content of this book is intended to be opinionated. It is designed to stimulate intelligent debate as to myriad topics that fall under the umbrella of funk. The objective is not to bash musical achievements or pursue character assassinations, but at the same time, measures are necessary to ensure the book's integrity. There are far too many music publications out there that find pandering to the industry and soft-pedaling issues seemingly unavoidable. This isn't one of them. By the same token, exceptional artists and outstanding work are given their just due. At this point, a word of caution is in order. Funk is extremely addictive and frequently results in an unquenchable desire to fill your ear hole with thumpin', bumpin', slammin', jammin' tunes. It can be an expensive habit, but always an immensely rewarding one. So slap your favorite jams into your stereo or iPod and read to the rhythmic rush while *The First Guide of Funk* does it to your eyeballs baby bobba!

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This 248 page book is an exciting documentation of the innovative period of the '60s and '70s when the rhythm of popular music was changed forever. Featured here are biographies, interviews, discographies and rare archival photos of more than 20 great drummers of R&B, funk and soul, including the drummers of James Brown, Earth, Wind and Fire, Otis Redding and Sly and the Family Stone. the true originators of the modern hip-hop beats tell their stories, and the history of the funk comes to life. Appropriate for music fans of all kinds, and all drummers: beginners thru advanced.

Groove Theory Routledge

In *Extended Play*, one of the country's most innovative music writers conducts a wide-ranging tour through the outer limits of contemporary music. Over the course of more than twenty-five portraits, interviews, and essays, John Corbett engages artists from lands as distant as Sweden, Siberia, and Saturn. With a special emphasis on African American and European improvisers, the book explores the famous and the little known, from John Cage and George Clinton to Anthony Braxton and Sun Ra. Employing approaches as diverse as the

music he celebrates, Corbett illuminates the sound and theory of funk and rap, blues and jazz, contemporary classical, free improvisation, rock, and reggae. Using cultural critique and textual theory, Corbett addresses a broad spectrum of issues, such as the status of recorded music in postmodern culture, the politics of self-censorship, experimentation, and alternativism in the music industry, and the use of metaphors of space and madness in the work of African American musicians. He follows these more theoretically oriented essays with a series of extensive profiles and in-depth interviews that offer contrasting and complementary perspectives on some of the world's most creative musicians and their work. Included here are more than twenty original photographs as well as a meticulously annotated discography. The result is one of the most thoughtful, and most entertaining, investigations of contemporary music available today.

Brothas Be, Yo Like George, Ain't That Funkin' Kinda Hard On You?

Mel Bay Publications

Celebrates funk music using biographies of such musicians as James Brown and George Clinton, and provides descriptions of the genre, historical perspectives, and the story behind the "death of funk" following the introduction of disco.

[Brothas Be, Yo?' Like George](#) Infobase Publishing

70 hot dance-floor hits, including: Bad Girls * Boogie Oogie Oogie * Brick House * Da Ya Think I'm Sexy * Dance with Me * Fire * Funkytown * Get Down Tonight * Higher Ground * Hot Stuff * I Love the Night Life * If I Can't Have You * In the Navy * It's Your Thing * Le Freak * Let's Groove * Love Rollercoaster * Stayin' Alive * Super Freak * That's the Way (I like It) * Turn the Beat Around * We Are Family * Y.M.C.A. * You Sexy Thing * and more.