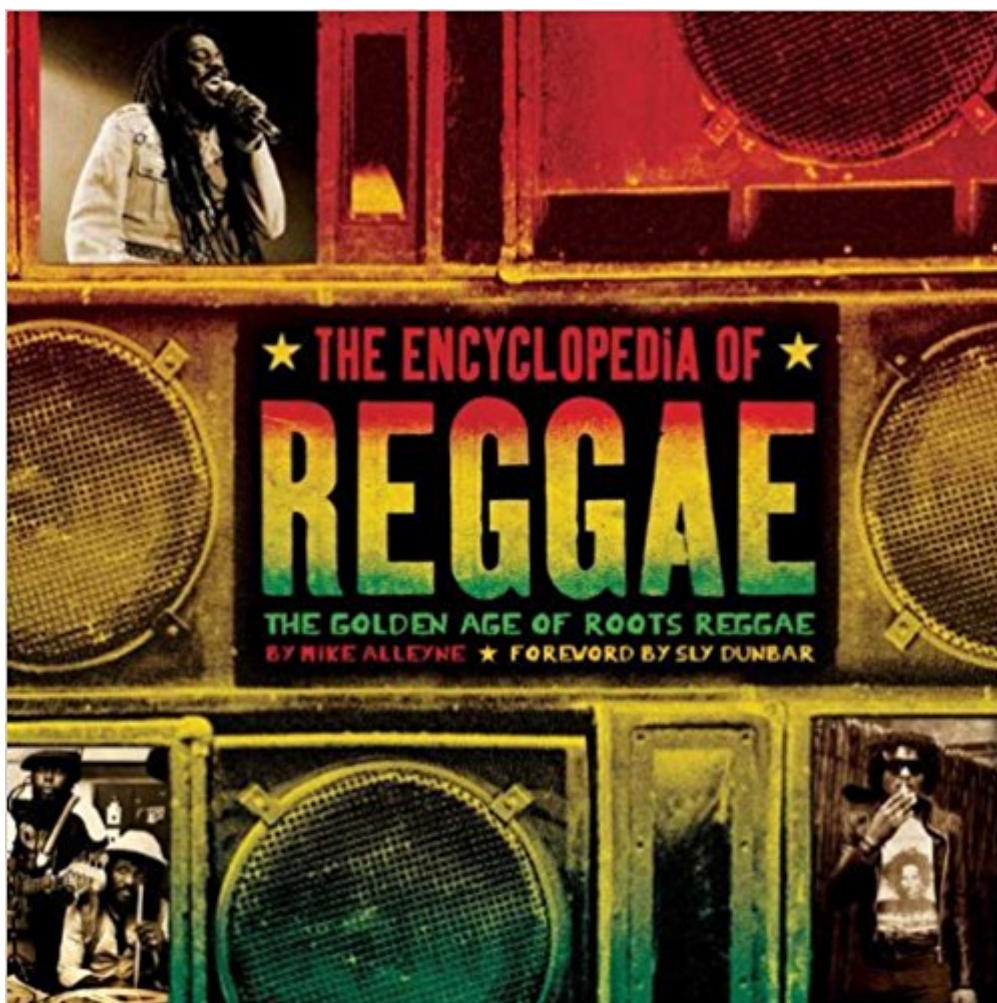


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The Encyclopedia Of Reggae: The Golden Age Of Roots Reggae



Synopsis

This heavily illustrated guide to reggae is a colorful, herbally endowed, and sunsplashed history of one of the world's most popular musical styles. Reggae was born in 1960s Jamaica, a potent mix of such indigenous genres as ska and rocksteady plus R&B, jazz, and traditional African rhythms. Before long, it had conquered the globe, influencing musicians from Britain to Brazil. The Encyclopedia of Reggae focuses on the music's golden age, from the late 1960s to the mid-1980s heyday of dancehall, and features more than 500 images, including rare album art and ephemera. Written by one of the foremost experts on the subject, this amazing resource profiles more than 200 key performers, impresarios, and producers from reggae's history.

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“Reggae has been evolving and growing in popularity since the early 1960s. Alleyne's (recording industry, Middle Tennessee State Univ.) authoritative look at the entire genre includes comprehensive articles on 25 major reggae stars and features 14 sidebars explaining everything from dub to dancehall. David Moskowitz's *Caribbean Popular Music: An Encyclopedia of Reggae, Mento, Ska, Rock Steady and Dancehall* offered a good start on this subject, but its solid information was paired with only a few black-and-white photos. This new book is much more visually appealing, in full color and with vibrant four-color artwork that makes it a fun browse as well as a useful reference title. VERDICT: This well-written and informative book covers most, if not all, of the main performers of reggae's golden era, and should be included in all comprehensive music and

reggae collections. --Library Journal

Mike Alleyne is a journalist, music critic, and professor specializing in the cultural and economic history of Caribbean music. He teaches in the Department of Recording Industry at Middle Tennessee State University and has written for countless magazines and newspapers on reggae's musical and historical roots. Alleyne is a frequent lecturer around the globe on the modern impact of Caribbean music and has contributed to The Grove Dictionary of American Music. Dr. Alleyne works and writes in Murfreesboro, TN.

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The Encyclopedia of reggae The Golden age of roots reggae is an amazing book I saw this book years back and only got it this year enjoy reading it a lot I even bought 2 more copies for my friends, the price of the used book is the best way to go

thanks

An alphabetical & photographic journey through the history of reggae music. So much interesting information. The type is small for my old eyes. I actually had to change to a brighter light bulb to avoid buying stronger reading glasses. I find myself on YouTube & iTunes listening to cuts after reading about the artist. Great about the greatest music.

Gave it as a gift to a Reggae aficionado, and he loved it!

Fantastic book, with plenty of amazing pictures of reggae legends and information on the most influential personalities of reggae. Bad point is that it does not cover all artists. I didn't have time to read it completely, but at a first look I noticed that in some profiles, the years in activity are WRONG!!! For example, at The Congos' profile, it's written "Years in activity: 1977-1980's". And it's perfectly clear for any reggae follower that The Congos are still in activity and recording many interesting albums while making tours around the globe (although they may have had a transitory break up in the 1980s). That's just to name an example, but I get afraid other information inside may be not accurate like that...Anyway, just for the very nice pictures and layout, it's worth the value!!!

My friend loved the book. It gave reference to artist bio's from the 60's on. A true Reggae lover will give credence to this book and all the info surrounding Jamaica, England and the USA connections. A great price for a reggae reference Book!

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