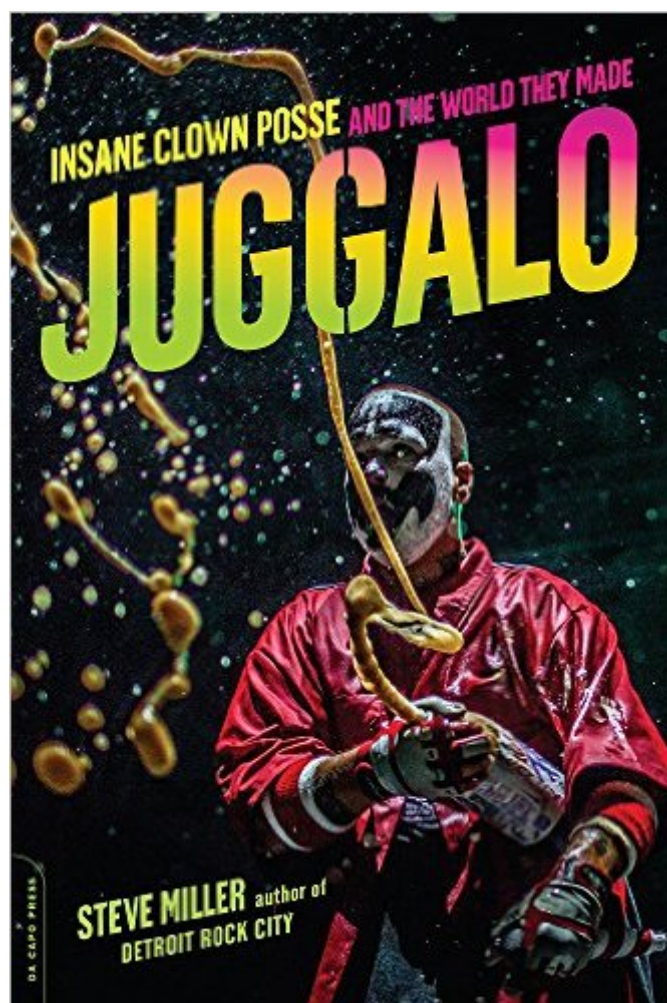


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Juggalo: Insane Clown Posse And The World They Made



Synopsis

Juggalo: Insane Clown Posse and the World They Made is a vivid journey into the heart of a misunderstood subculture. Through firsthand reporting, including interviews with Violent J and Shaggy 2 Dope of the Insane Clown Posse, their friends and family, and numerous devoted fans, Juggalo explores the lives of the proud outsiders who are frequently labeled as a threat or dismissed as a joke. Author and journalist Steve Miller follows ICP across America, hanging out with Juggalos before and after shows, at the legendary annual Gathering of the Juggalos, and at work and home to share their stories. In addition, Juggalo dives deep into the FBI's misguided assault on Juggalo culture and the misidentification of this devoted group of horrorcore fans as a gang. Juggalo is also the chronicle of two hard-luck kids from Detroit who created an empire and became the unwitting stars of a uniquely American grassroots success story. Without the help of radio airplay and with little love from the music industry establishment, ICP went platinum and fostered one of America's most durable subcultures. Juggalo is required reading for the hardcore fan and pop culture buff alike, a scrupulously researched account of a subculture unlike any other's; one that so shook the establishment it launched a federal investigation's; as well as a window into the world of the Juggalos and the singular mythology of their underworld apocalypse.

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Great book on ICP and the entire juggalo culture. The writer talked to tons of fans, but also ICP and their Psychopathic artists. True fans will dig the research and insight from all of the group's inner

circle of friends -- pop culture fans will enjoy the phenomenon of the "juggalo" culture. It also delves into the group's battle with the FBI, an ongoing saga the group and their fans continue to deal with. An amazing story. A must read for fans of music books.

I didn't know anything about the Insane Clown Posse or their fans prior to reading Steve Miller's new book Juggalo. I bought it because I'd read two of Miller's other books and they were excellent. Juggalo did not disappoint -- it is thoroughly researched, well written, engaging, and funny. Readers unfamiliar with the Insane Clown Posse might even come out ahead, because the book is a plot-driven page turner based on the real-life events it depicts: the FBI's overwhelmingly unjustified decision to label the Insane Clown Posse and their loyal fans as a criminal street gang. This label causes incredible problems for a lot of people guilty of nothing other than being music fans -- the t-shirts, tattoos, and stickers that had expressed their fandom were now cause to pull them over, search them, and deny them employment. For those unfamiliar with these events, Miller's book is the best way to learn about them because he's cleverly weaved the facts into a suspenseful narrative: will the good guys win in the end? And it's packed with other stuff -- great reportage on the Juggalos and their annual gathering, plenty of interviews offering different points of view, and the great rags to riches story of the guys in ICP, and how they generously share their success with friends and family. Miller also successfully plugs the ICP story into a larger narrative about other fan bases (hippies, punks) wrongly maligned or having their fringe elements put forward as representing the entire group. An all around great read.

This book is fantastic. It is really hard to put down and well written. It is a bio of ICP but goes into detail of everything Juggalo, which I am proud to be. It also contains the unwanted opinion of Juggalo haters, one of which says we are all unattractive and have low IQ's. He clearly has never seen a Miss Juggatte contest or met someone like me with a 140 IQ. This book is a keeper. Whoop! Whoop!

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