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The Life and Times of R. Crumb is a diverse collection of tributes to the controversial artist and underground comix pioneer R. Crumb. Follow his trajectory from homemade comic book and greeting-card design through the comix renaissance during the San Francisco psychedelic revolution to his expatriate life in France and his renewed renown today.

Over forty of Crumb's peers, friends, and admirers have contributed to this work, including:

- -Simpsons creator Matt Groening on cross-hatching and the corruption of youth
- -Filmmaker Terry Gilliam on pre-Monty Python days with Crumb and Mad creator Harvey Kurtzman
- -Prankster Paul Krassner on the "slimy tentacles of our national id"
- -Writer Alan Moore's infatuation with Angelfood McSpade
- -Notes on Crumb's sexual obsessions by Screw magazine publisher Al Goldstein
- -First wife Dana Crumb on the rise and fall of their marriage
- -Filmmaker Jim Jarmusch's quixotic effort to canonize Crumb
- -Crumb's warning to Reverend Ivan Stang about selling out
- -Film critic Roger Ebert and Terry Zwigoff on the making of the harrowing Crumb documentary

And, naturally, appreciations, criticisms, stories of debauchery and foolishness from such noted comix artists as Daniel Clowes, Will Eisner, Peter Kuper, S. Clay Wilson, Doug Allen, Bill Griffith, Spain, the Friedman Brothers, Trina Robbins, Jim Woodring, Mary Fleener, Frank Stack, and Kim Deitch.



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