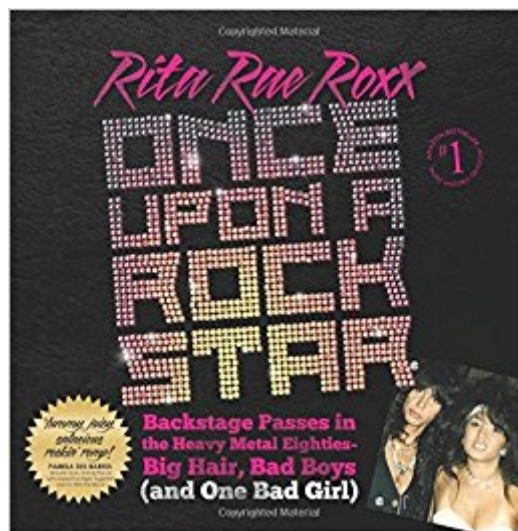


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Once Upon A Rock Star: Backstage Passes In The Heavy Metal Eighties -- Big Hair, Bad Boys, (and One Bad Girl) (Volume 1)



Synopsis

Rock me all night long • A decade of rock history and a decade of rock fan adoration for one little chiquita from Omaha who spent star-studded nights with superstars of eighties rockdom: David Lee Roth with Van Halen, Billy Squier, Ozzy Osbourne, Jake E. Lee, Paul Stanley of Kiss, Motley Crue, Nikki Sixx, Bret Michaels and Poison, Vivian Campbell and Def Leppard, the J. Geils Band, Peter Wolf, Aerosmith, Steven Tyler and plenty more. Rockin' Rita and her sexy entourage were ultra-fans who rocked the boys in the bands backstage and between the covers when the heavy metal rockers and the glam "chicks with dicks" rolled into town in their tour buses. With her own outrageously high hair and edgy original clothing designs, Rita never missed an opportunity to get the coveted backstage passes that led to dressing room parties and hotel hook-ups. This is a sex-and-tell story about her obsession for sex and drugs with rock stars. Rita reveals her flirtatious romps and hard rock tales with the bad boys of 80s heavy metal in her legend-filled story *Once Upon a Rock Star*.

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Customer Reviews

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These are the actual pages from my scrapbook, in beautiful full color. I collected tickets, backstage passes, photos and more memorabilia. ã ã I promise it is worth it to see it in full color. --This text refers to the Hardcover edition.

So I get the gist of what Rita is trying to portray. The sad part is it reads as if a small child wrote it. If you can overlook that then you can learn a lot of the dirty goings-on of a diehard groupie. I think it started off for the right reasons but turned into more of a game where she was keeping score. Heck no I'm not going to go by myself and wait outside a tour bus for the door to open. And am I the only one who thinks a lot of the rockers who took advantage of Rita's naive willingness were maybe pedophiles? Granted almost every rocker on the planet (especially then) was either drunk or high but good grief she was so young!

If Rita did as many drugs as she claimed, there is no way she could remember all the details....I came of age in the 80's, too...much of which I don't remember because of my choices. It is also quite obvious that Rita thinks very highly of herself. Having self confidence is one thing...hers was flat out conceit. I doubt very seriously if David Lee Roth said a 16 year old kid was the best lover he'd had. I laughed out loud at that one. I enjoyed being taken back to my favorite era...made me want to break out the Aqua Net and stilettos.

Loved reading this book, as it's a BLAST from the Past for me. Very easy read. I went to school with Rita and was at a lot of the concerts she mentions in her book and I remember seeing her and her friends wearing their passes at the shows and the clubs after. It's kinda cool to now hear some of the dirt from backstage in the 80's, and I have to say it's pretty much what I thought. LOL

I'm seriously considering doing a count of the usage of "rocked it" every page seemed like the same story over and over and over and the use of the word rocked it drove me to a level of insanity . This book read like a translation of a 12 year olds diary . I was looking for thrills and I found a hamster wheel of passes, coke, rocking it , sex , repeat . There were no sordid details . This was meh.. But I stuck it through , would not read a part 2.

I wanted details on my favorite 80's rockers. However, now I just feel kind of grossed out. I don't admire her life. I am not jealous of her experiences. She was used and spit out by a ton of men for sex and mostly cocaine. Most of the men she had 1 night stands with were disgusting. She was so vain it's annoying. I don't mind vain people to an extent if they have something to be vain about, but Rita is a normal pretty girl, not the goddess she thought she was. The writing was terrible. I Hope this woman has gained some self-esteem by this time. She clearly had none in the 80's.

There are far better books in this seedy genre. My curiosity (and a free offering) overrode my good judgement here. The writing was atrocious. Perhaps the author should have spent less of her teen years slobbering over road crew for a backstage pass and more time in a language arts classroom. If this freebie is any indication of her other freebies, I can understand (and appreciate) that the book was so short.

Great personal stories, pictures, & exploits of the '80's. Just amazing all the Rocker hopping. Such insight to what you had to do to get back stage, meet up with band after hours, and all the hook ups. This doesn't happen like that today or at least to that extent. Thanks!! I got to live vicariously through Rita Rae Roxx.

The Book was a quick read liked the stories but the author used some phrases and scenarios so much it gets to be a bit stale. Also her describing how hot she looked . But some of her antidotes were interesting .If you like the 80s hair metal bands and groupies this is for you.

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