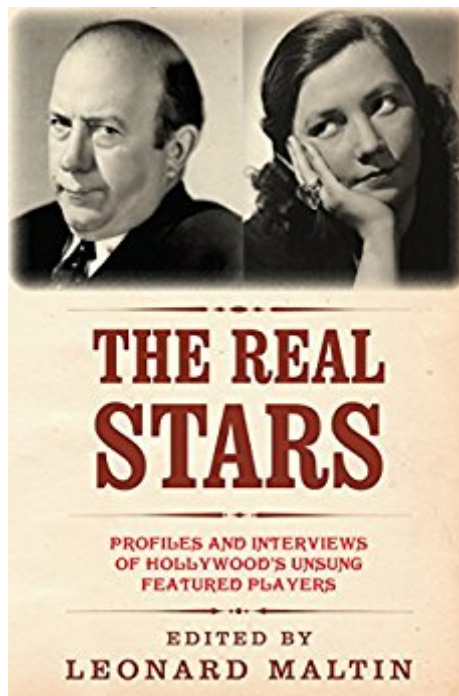


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# The Real Stars: Profiles And Interviews Of Hollywood's Unsung Featured Players (The Leonard Maltin Collection)



## Synopsis

THE REAL STARS edited by Leonard Maltin Everyone knows Humphrey Bogart and Jean Harlow—but the stars of Hollywood's greatest era might not have shone as brightly if they weren't backed up by talented character actors and supporting players. This collection of profiles and interviews turns the spotlight on those unsung heroes, whose faces were often better known than their names. Maltin's engaging conversations with such notables as Billy Gilbert, Gale Sondergaard, Hans Conried and Una Merkel evoke a bygone era as we see what life was like for these versatile players. Looking for anecdotes about W.C. Fields or Clark Gable? This book is for you. You'll also learn about Bess Flowers, the queen of the dress extras—and Rex Ingram, the black actor whose imposing presence eclipsed the stereotyping of the period. This well-illustrated e-book edition features a brand-new introduction by Leonard Maltin.

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I'm old so I remember almost all of those people with delight---I love good movies and have long admired the background players. Mr Maltin I suspect has as much fun writing these stories as I do recalling the "work"/ play. Thanks for fun!!

Some interesting bios, some not. Mainly a lot of 40-50 year old fan-mag interviews where the interviewees call almost everyone good or great. So I found the book not all that informative and thus disappointing.

A fun read about overlooked character actors that often "made the films they had secondary or much smaller roles in. Very well written, easy pace and well worth the read.

as I love old movies, this book was very interesting. I found the information on the many actors that are in so many movies but I didn't know their names or history. I hope Mr. Maltin writes many more.

Being a fan of old movies, I was very interested in this book. I found out a lot of information about these actors and it made me more interested in finding out more. I really enjoyed this book.

A very good story line, write some more of the same.

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