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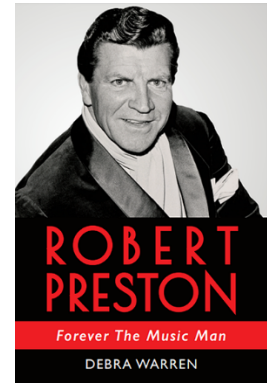
ROBERT PRESTON – Forever The Music Man

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“A well-researched—and long-overdue—biography on this beloved prince of the American screen and stage.”

— Paul F. Brown, author of *Rufus: James Agee in Tennessee*

Robert Preston – Forever The Music Man chronicles the life and career of the enigmatic Hollywood and Broadway actor, and original *Music Man* star, Robert Preston.

The book is the first to take readers through an exploration of the life of the notoriously private actor. As Broadway aficionados know, the song “Seventy-Six Trombones” from *The Music Man* would forever link Robert Preston to the Broadway musical and the iconic 1962 film that would establish him as a Hollywood and Broadway star. Preston’s role as Harold Hill in *The Music Man* was a pivotal moment for the actor who appeared in dozens of films as well as theater and television productions throughout his career. A master at shielding his private life, Robert Preston was a distinguished actor and gifted artist, yet remained a reclusive, enigmatic man in the public sphere. Extensive archival research and interviews with Preston’s family members and fellow actors including Rosemary Harris, Christopher Walken, Lesley Ann Warren, Loretta Swit, Bob Gunton, Neva Small, and others have unveiled a richly detailed portrait of the gifted actor’s personal life, as well as an overview of the films and Broadway productions to which he lent his talent.

Robert Preston – Forever The Music Man is available through Barnes & Noble, Amazon, IndieBound.org, and at select book retailers and libraries.

Debra Warren is the author or coauthor of four books, including *Robert Preston – Forever The Music Man*; *Highwood, Illinois – 100 Years Of Progress*; *Brugioni History Book*; *Church of St. Mary 125th Anniversary Book*; and *The Dream* (Screenplay). She currently resides in Lake Forest, Illinois with her family. Connect with her on Facebook at www.facebook.com/foreverthemusicman

“Preston is now revealed in the full spectrum of his personality. Ms. Warren's passion for detail makes this biography as invaluable a reference as it is an enticing read.”

— Ron Spivak, Musical Theater Historian

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