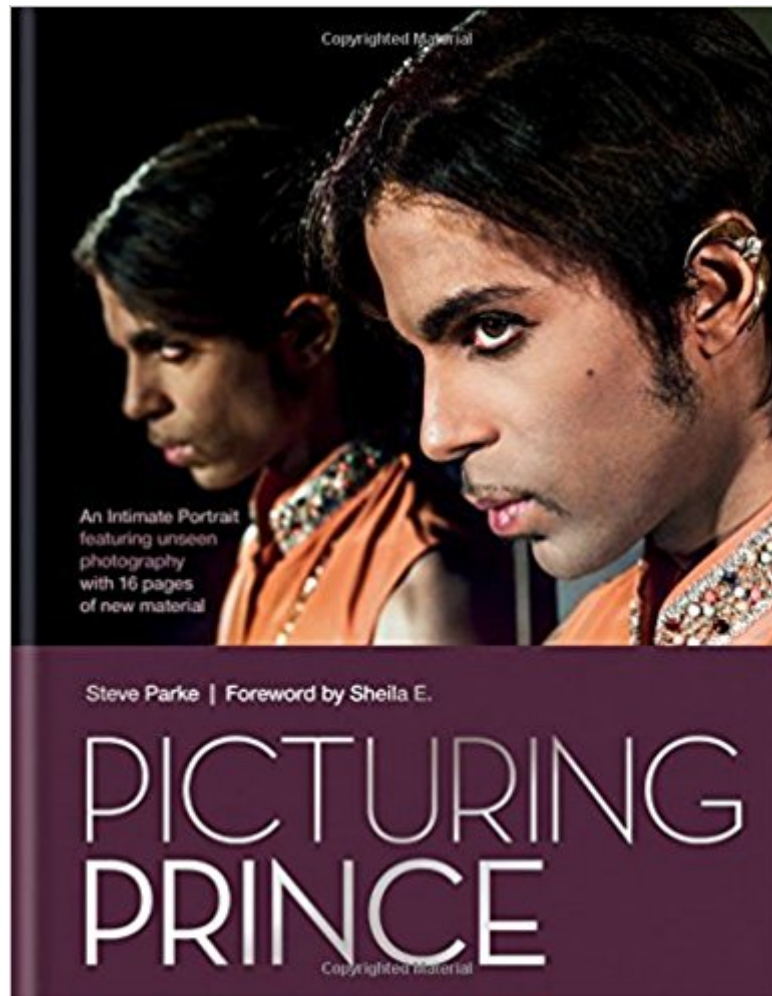




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# Picturing Prince: An Intimate Portrait



## Synopsis

PICTURING PRINCE sees the late icon's former art director, STEVE PARKE, revealing stunning intimate photographs of the singer from his time working at Paisley Park. At least half of the images in the book are exclusively published here for the first time; most other images in the book are rare to the public eye. This edition also includes 16 pages of lost photographs, all of which have recently been uncovered by the author from within his extensive archive. Alongside these remarkable images are fifty engaging, poignant and often funny written vignettes by Parke, which reveal the very human man behind the reclusive superstar: from shooting hoops to renting out movie theatres at 4am; from midnight requests for camels to meaningful conversations that shed light on Prince as a man and artist. STEVE PARKE started working with Prince in 1988, after a mutual friend showed Prince some of Steve's photorealistic paintings. He designed everything from album covers and merchandise to sets for Prince's tours and videos. Somewhere in all of this, he became Paisley Park's official art director. He began photographing Prince at the request of the star himself, and continued to do so for the next several years. The images in this book are the arresting result of this collaboration.

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STEVE PARKE is photo editor for Faerie Magazine. He worked as art director for Prince at Paisley Park for fourteen years. As a photographer, his clients have included Prince, David Bowie, Bon Jovi, Bob Dylan, Sheila E., AC /DC and more. He lives in Baltimore, USA.

An intimate look at a unique friend/work relationship based in a mutual artistic love of music and the

world of creative art. I love the photos and many of them are favorites of mine. A book well done!

My favorite Prince read so far and I've read almost every book I can get my hands on. Incredibly well done. I am truly grateful to the author for writing this book. I devoured it in one sitting and have been smiling all day thinking about the incredible memories I read. Fantastic pictures too. It's seriously a must read.

Love reading about a real side of Prince and the Pictures are Awesome Thank You a Prince Fan Always !!!

Loved the photos and learning more about Prince. Thanks for sharing.

I loved this book! I had just finished another book about Prince that made me sad and took me two months to complete. However, I truly needed to see another side of Prince. I completed this book within two days. Thank you, Steve!

A must for any lover of good music and good stories. I expected a photobook, but was pleasantly surprised by the quantity and quality of the stories. I wanted to save some for later, but could not stop myself devouring every word in one go. Starting at 0200am, as it should be done.

The author's remembrances of working with Prince allows fans another glimpse into Prince's life. The author is very respectful of the Artist. He is obviously an extremely talented photographer and it is easy to see why Prince employed him for so many years.

I gave this book a 5 star rating because it is the first Prince book that a I actually felt like it got the message across for Prince .I believe the writer just may know the real guy more than anyone.

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