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The Bassoon King: My Life In Art, Faith, And Idiocy



Synopsis

Rainn Wilson's memoir about growing up geeky and finally finding his place in comedy, faith, and life. For nine seasons Rainn Wilson played Dwight Schrute, everyone's favorite work nemesis and beet farmer. Viewers of *The Office* fell in love with the character and grew to love the actor who played him even more. Rainn founded a website and media company, SoulPancake, that eventually became a best-selling book of the same name. He also started a hilarious Twitter feed (sample tweet: "I'm not on Facebook" is the new "I don't even own a TV") that now has more than four million followers. Now, he's ready to tell his own story and explain how he came up with his incredibly unique sense of humor and perspective on life. He explains how he grew up "bone-numbingly nerdy before there was even a modicum of cool attached to the word." *The Bassoon King* chronicles his journey from nerd to drama geek ("the highest rung on the vast, pimply ladder of high school losers"), his years of mild debauchery and struggles as a young actor in New York, his many adventures and insights about *The Office*, and, finally, Wilson's achievement of success and satisfaction, both in his career and spiritually, reconnecting with the artistic and creative values of the Bahá'í faith he grew up in.

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Customer Reviews

This is the real, true life story of *The Office* character Dwight Schrute. He begins with his birth and weaves a yarn till the present day. This book is actually much less about his time on the office, if that's what you thought it would be. It is an autobiography of Rainn Wilson's life. The stories of his upbringing, the challenges, and growth to a Hollywood star are highly endearing. Rainn writes from

the heart, baring it all, to share his experiences and the path that brought his characters into our hearts and minds.

I really enjoyed this book. It was an easy read and not too long winded. I found Rainn's journey fascinating and appreciated his honest and humorous account of both his ups and downs. The book gives you a glimpse into the life of an actor which is quite different from the common perception. His spiritual journey was really interesting especially his return to the Baha'i Faith after so many years. I recommend the book :-).

I picked up this book just to have something light/easy to read. I knew I would probably like it, but didn't realize just how good it would be. It had the perfect funny to real-talk ratio, without being super self-deprecating like some of these type books can be (and which I get sick of pretty quickly). I enjoyed learning a few things about the Baha'i faith and what goes into making TV shows, and just overall liked the writing style and Rainn's perspectives on life, etc.

Never watched a lot of TV and had heard about The Office but, whatever. I was way more interested in participating in The WorldNetflix changed that. Binge watched in about a month. I'm into biographies and everyone DOES have a story to tell. This is a good one. Read it.

Very interesting read. I was interested to learn about his faith, and even though it does not match mine, he is passionate about it. I just wish there were more funny stories about his time on set of The Office. Loved his character.

Hilarious and the expected comedy from Wilson.

Probably the greatest book I have read in a long time. I like most people discovered Rainn Willson from the hit T.V. The Office, and since then I have seen a lot of his work such as Sahara, Monsters vs. Aliens, and The Rocker. This book was a valuable insight into the behind the scenes drama and fun of the crazy world of acting.

A book that I will read more than once. Rainn was hilarious as I expected he would be, but also incredibly insightful and heartfelt, which I didn't expect. Loved it!

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