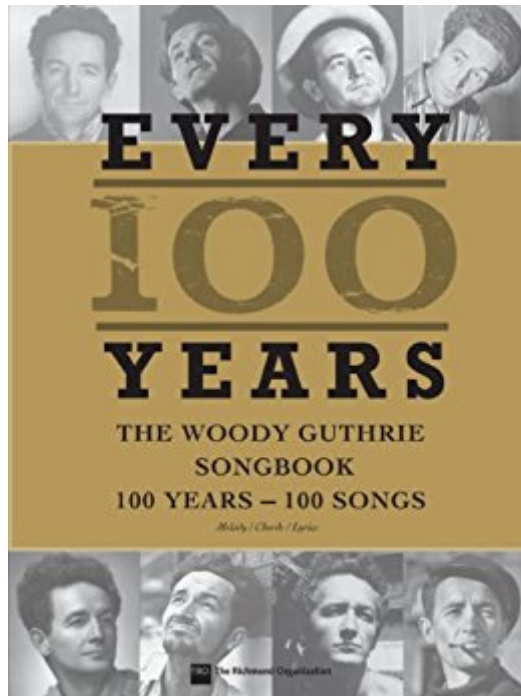


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Every 100 Years - The Woody Guthrie Centennial Songbook: 100 Years - 100 Songs



Synopsis

(Richmond Music Folios). 2012 would have been the 100th birthday of American singer/songwriter Woody Guthrie. To mark his extraordinary achievements in songwriting, we are releasing this centennial songbook. Woody Guthrie wrote over 3,000 songs in his lifetime, yet only 300 or so were ever recorded. At the invitation of Guthrie's daughter, Nora Guthrie, contemporary singer/songwriters have set music to Guthrie's previously unpublished lyrics. Musicians such as Billy Bragg, Wilco, Dropkick Murphys, Jonatha Brooke, Jay Farrar, Tom Morello, Lou Reed, The Klezmatics, Hans-Eckardt Wenzel, Madeleine Peyroux, Janis Ian, Sarah Lee Guthrie & Johnny Irion, and Woody's son, Arlo Guthrie, have shown us how timeless Woody's words are. Every 100 Years is a compilation of 100 Woody Guthrie songs that run the gamut from work songs, love songs and union & protest songs, to topical songs and children's songs. The book features piano/vocal/guitar arrangements of his classics such as: This Land Is Your Land * Jesus Christ * Do Re Mi * Pretty Boy Floyd * Roll On Columbia * Pastures of Plenty * Deportee * Riding in My Car * and more, as well as hits from the next generation of Guthrie co-authors: California Stars * I'm Shippin' Up to Boston * The Jolly Banker * Way Over Yonder in the Minor Key * Hoodoo Voodoo * Ease My Revolutionary Mind * Ingrid Bergman * My Peace * Mermaid's Avenue * Happy Joyous Hanukkah * Every 100 Years * and many others. Includes a preface from Howie Richmond, founder of The Richmond Organization Guthrie's publisher.

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Customer Reviews

I bought three copies of this book sight unseen, one for my brother, one for our daughter, and one for my husband and me. Maybe we'll be together making music again and this will put us on the same pages, despite miles separating us now. After looking it over and taking it to the piano, I can now say for sure it is a collectors' item. A hundred songs, one for each year since the great folk singer was born, will keep us all busy. We know the obvious ones - "This Land is Your Land," "Union Maid," "This Train Is Bound For Glory" - and will easily recall the melodies Woody Guthrie sang. Other lyrics found in his archives are put to music by 28 contemporary artists and bands. For example, "Woman At Home" has pretty racy lyrics put to a tune by Country Joe McDonald. Rage Against The Machine's Tom Morello is an appropriate melody maker for a lyric about the kind of wife he needed - "I need a progressive woman, I need an awfully liberal woman, Ain't no reactionary baby Can ease my revolutionary mind." Many lyrics are put to music by Billy Bragg, who is quoted on the back cover with this estimation of Woody Guthrie's importance to American Music: "He's not a link in the chain. He's the stake that's grounded in the earth that the chain is linked to." What makes this well-made, built-to-last song book more than that is, it's also a picture book. There are photos of, and drawings by, this unique 20th century folk singer, along with notes and lists in his impeccable handwriting.

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