

(Free pdf) B Western Actors Encyclopedia: Facts, Photos and Filmographies for More Than 250 Familiar Faces

B Western Actors Encyclopedia: Facts, Photos and Filmographies for More Than 250 Familiar Faces

Ted Holland

*audiobook / *ebooks / Download PDF / ePub / DOC*

DOWNLOAD



READ ONLINE

#3987362 in Books 1988-12Original language:EnglishPDF # 1 9.50 x 6.50 x 1.25l, Binding: Library Binding512 pages | File size: 16.Mb

Ted Holland : B Western Actors Encyclopedia: Facts, Photos and Filmographies for More Than 250 Familiar Faces before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised B Western Actors Encyclopedia: Facts, Photos and Filmographies for More Than 250 Familiar Faces:

2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. Disappointing:Hardly deserves to be described as an EncyclopediaBy Cletus F. EppleI am 68 years old and starting in the early fifties, I was an ardent fan of these so-called B Westerns as well as the later TV westerns. I was looking forward to this book.However, the book is a disappointment and will likely be put in the recycling bin. It is poorly organized, with pictures often not relating to adjacent text. It is inconsistent in the information provided for each star: with some it is fairly complete with others hardly anything at all. In fact, overall, it is simply incomplete.I wish this book had been the encnclopedia it claims to be, but it is not.1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Great Resource BookBy Randall GuinnThis is a great resource book for people who want to know what actor played in what movies, who the sidekicks are, the female actresses, the villains in a movie, etc. Everyone who enjoys westerns will enjoy reading up on the movie and the stars inside them.1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. B Western Actor'sBy CustomerFirst of all this book is outstanding. Growing up in a family that worked on B Western this brought back a lot of good times as a kid. My farther worked with most of these actors, I would like to see his other books.

During the course of a Western movie, the white hat could sing six songs to a beautiful girl, shoot half a dozen cattle rustlers, fight off an Indian attack and still have time to kiss his horse before he rode off into the sunset. Dashing heroes, dastardly villains, lovely ladies in distress and comical sidekicks--this was the formula for the westerns so popular through the fifties and sixties. This nostalgic reference work covers the heroes (90+ western stars), the sidekicks (60+ saddle pals), the cowgirls (60+ leading ladies), the bad guys (40+ villains), plus miscellaneous other players. A biographical sketch and career description with photographs and a filmography is given for each performer.

From Library Journal Like newsreels, serials, and double features, B-Westerns (low-budget) are things of film's past. Their fans, while not legion, are exceptionally devoted. Holland provides entries on over 250 performers, divided into four categories: Heroes, Sidekicks, Cowgirls, and Bad Guys. Each entry includes a biographical sketch and a filmography cross-referenced to other entries. The writing is clichéd but enthusiastic. There are some misspellings of non-Western names and the book sorely lacks a strong introduction to give the genre some definition and context, particularly for younger readers unfamiliar with Westerns except through films like *Blazing Saddles*. Thomas Wiener, formerly with "American Film," Washington, D.C. Copyright 1989 Reed Business Information, Inc. "invaluable...the book well fulfills its promise to provide encyclopedic information"--ARBA "a well illustrated reference source...highly recommended"--Choice; "the book well fulfills its promise to provide encyclopedic information"--ARBA; "an invaluable A-Z...superbly researched"--Film ; "over 250 performers"--Library Journal. About the Author Ted Holland lives in Cornelius, North Carolina.