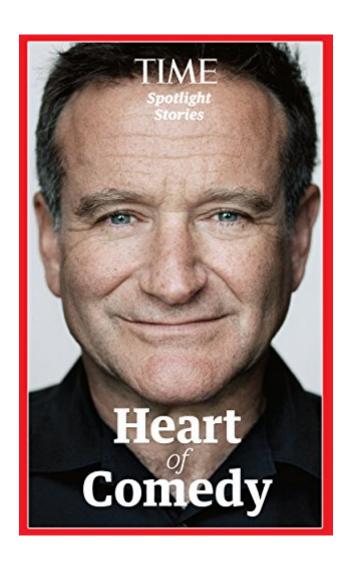
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The Heart Of Comedy: The Robin Williams Story





Synopsis

In this first 75 seconds of his debut with the reigning king of talk TV, Williams slipped into and out of a half-dozen characters, as if his mind were a Whac-a-Mole game housing a million critters of all species and shades, each ready to pop up unbidden. He was already a TV sensation as the benign extraterrestrial Mork from Ork on Mork & Mindy and had starred as a comic-strip sailor in Popeye. But that Tonight Show stint revealed the distilled form of Williams' unique genius in stand-up comedy and his visits with Carson, Dick Cavett, David Letterman, Jay Leno and the other late-night lions. This TIME Spotlight Story explores The Heart of Comedy, Mr, Robin Williams.

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Customer Reviews

I have always adored Robin Williams and anything written about him is worth reading. This is a short and well-written story of his beginning to his end. They mention an episode of Mork & Mindy that was a good reminder of how deep that show really was, an even better episode to view is the one where Mork meets Robin Williams and Mindy interviews him. After the tragedy you truly understand his pain, he actually explains it in the episode (along with the fact he was afraid of being alone). A man who was beyond hilarious while fighting terrible demons. We will love you forever, thank you for sharing your madness and beautiful mind with the world.

Not sure if I could call this a good robin story. I did not feel that this told anything really about his story. Just his movies and sitcoms he did

The Robin Williams Story was well written to show us the actor as well as the man. I would recommend this book to everyone because it shows that life struggles happen to us all and we all need a support system in place for critical times. My heart goes out to his family who will have to go through the grieving process in their own ways.

Robin did not commit suicide because of depression. He was slowly losing his mind and full control of his motor skills due to Lewy Body Dementia. For a man that lives in his mind this was the worst possible disease. He choose to end his life rather than endure the agony of dying a horrific flow death, which he knew was coming. I'd like to see this article/book updated to reflect that.

I wish Robin hadn't left. I wish he hadn't endured so much pain. I wish he hadn't such a hard way to go. He is at peace, though. I still play his albums from time to time, but still wish for more. I'm selfish, I guess. A well-written essay, worth the money.

Enjoyed the story. My glimpse at a lonely man hiding behind the many faces he created in his animated fantasy world of comedy. Was he seeking laughter or his own identity?

Wish I would have personally known him. But it was enough to see him in all his glory. Thank You Robin, for all the laughter. I just wish you could have found someone to give you all the joy you gave us. I will remember you always.

I recommend this book for anyone who was a fan or simply needs enlightenment in a dark time. Rejoicing a great man should always be at the top of ones list. Who would we be without bicentennial man and of course genie? He said you get but only one spark of madness and to me that equates to a happy thought. #rippeterpan

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