America The Band: An Authorized Biography

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Early Years

America was formed in Washington, D.C., in 1970. The band's original lineup consisted of Gerry Beckley (vocals, guitar), Dewey Bunnell (vocals, guitar), and Dan Peek (vocals, guitar, bass). The band's name was inspired by the song "America" by Simon & Garfunkel.

America's first album, America, was released in 1971. The album was a critical and commercial success, and it spawned the hit singles "A Horse with No Name" and "I Need You". America's second album, Homecoming,

was released in 1972. The album was also a critical and commercial success, and it spawned the hit singles "Ventura Highway" and "Sister Golden Hair".

Peak Years

America was one of the most popular bands of the 1970s. The band's albums and singles were consistently topping the charts, and they were headlining sold-out concerts around the world. America's music was praised for its catchy melodies, beautiful harmonies, and meaningful lyrics.

In 1977, Dan Peek left America to pursue a solo career. The band continued as a duo, with Beckley and Bunnell sharing lead vocals and songwriting duties. America continued to release successful albums and singles throughout the 1980s and 1990s.

Later Years

In 2007, America was inducted into the Vocal Group Hall of Fame. The band continues to tour and record today. America's most recent album, Back Pages, was released in 2015.

Legacy

America The Band is one of the most successful and enduring bands of all time. The band's music has touched the lives of millions of people around the world. America's songs are timeless classics that continue to be enjoyed by generations of fans.

Discography

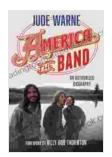
- * America (1971) * Homecoming (1972) * Hat Trick (1973) * Holiday (1974)
- * Hearts (1975) * Hideaway (1976) * Harbor (1977) * Silent Letter (1979) * Alibi (1980) * View from the Ground (1982) * Your Move (1983) * Perspective (1984) * Advantage (1985) * Hourglass (1987) * Boulevard (1994) * Human Nature (1998) * Holiday Harmony (1999) * The Complete Greatest Hits (2001) * The Grand Prize, Vol. 1 (2005) * The Grand Prize, Vol. 2 (2006) * Back Pages (2015)

Awards

* Grammy Award for Best New Artist (1972) * Grammy Award for Song of the Year ("A Horse with No Name") (1972) * American Music Award for Favorite Pop/Rock Band/Duo/Group (1974) * Vocal Group Hall of Fame induction (2007)

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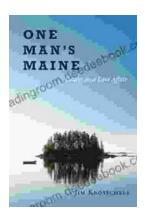
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