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Kustom Kulture: Von Dutch, Ed "Big Daddy" Roth, Robert Williams And Others



Synopsis

Ed Roth and the late "Von Dutch" have had a growing following for the past 45 years. The word Pioneer doesn't even begin to describe the work these men have done over their groundbreaking careers. This book shows the best examples of both Roth and Dutch, and contains photos that we all thought were lost years ago. "Von Dutch" (a.k.a. Kenneth Howard) was a very underrated man, who was filled with talent and skills that would rival most of today's artists. This book is a tribute to these artists, allowing the reader to experience the "methods to his madness." This book is a treasure to the art of pinstriping and the "Kustom Kulture" movement.

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Customer Reviews

I have followed the work of Ed Roth and the late "Von Dutch" since 1953. The word Pioneer doesn't even begin with the work these men have done over the last 45 years. Dutch started the trend of "Free Form" pinstriping, along with painted "figures" and some very unique "Flame Painting" back in the 1950s. Roth started building some very unique vehicles, way ahead of their time. He called himself a "speed striper" which was a rapid form of pinstriping i.e., "no following around with fine details" yet the work was quite good. This book shows the best examples of both Roth and Dutch, and contains photos that we all thought were lost years ago. "Von Dutch" (a.k.a. Kenneth Howard) was a very underrated man, who was filled with talent and skills that would rival most of today's artists. It was a tragic loss when he died a very lonely man. Roth did a Video of Dutch in the late 1970s, which really showed the "methods to his madness." I personally have given a tribute to both these men by building a copy of the sign painters box (made in 1919) given to Dutch by his father.

Roth has pinstriped a few of these for his charity auctions. This book is a treasure to the art of pinstriping and the "Kustom Kulture" movement.

If you ever wanted to learn about the masters of hot rod art, this is a good place to start. While not the definitive history of Ed "Big Daddy" Roth, Von Dutch or Robert Williams, this book delves into the rude awakenings of this all American art form. A damn good read. (I just looked at the pictures!!!!)

While being a big fan of "Big Daddy Roth", I still appreciate his hot-rod artwork. Shortly after finishing the book, I gave it to "Big Daddy Dean Paulsen", the man who taught Ed Roth everything he knows. Paulsen was pleased to know his understudy is still alive and well.

This is an interesting book, and I recommend it; however, if you are looking for a book with an abundance of photographs of the work by these artists, while this one is better in that respect than are other books about his subject, there aren't many photos of actual cars and motorcycles that have been striped.

Found Kustom Kulture to be a great intro into some of the people that started this way cool world. Bought this book for my son who knows about kustom kulture and my great-grandson to introduce him to this world.

Although the greatness of Rob't. Williams has been admitted by a few so-called "legitimate" art critics, it's high time to admit the genius of people like Von Dutch, Ed Roth, Gene Winfield et al. Kustom Kulture is artistic democracy in action, "The People's Art." This is an attractive book, with much information and great art. If you are even the least bit interested in this subject, this book's for you. I give it an A+.

this eclectic mix in the book was worth it the book is random fun and loving that era of stripping genius this it is just cool daddy-o

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