

Desilu : The story of Lucille Ball and Desi Arnaz

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Updated and revised, *Desilu* is the classic insider account of Lucille Ball and Desi Arnaz's romance, collaboration, and success. Hollywood journalist Tom Gilbert and author Coyne Sanders, whose critically acclaimed books on *The Judy Garland Show* and *The Dick Van Dyke Show* offer unparalleled insight into some of classic television's greatest behind-the-scenes stories, deliver a captivating look at Lucy and Desi's on-and-off relationship, their creative melding of minds, and their rollercoaster ride of fame and fortune. *Desilu* is an inspiring journey back to the Golden Age of Television, and a winning, unforgettable look at one of TV's best-loved couples.

The true, behind-the-scenes story of television's happiest couple, and Hollywood's most tumultuous marriage.

Fifty years ago the magical union of Lucille Ball and Desi Arnaz enthralled American audiences who couldn't get enough of the fiery redhead or her sexy Cuban husband. But off camera the situation couldn't have been less comic, with backstage battles, oversized egos, drinking, philandering, and the demands of phenomenal success undermining what was once a storybook romance.

With exclusive access to family members (including daughter Lucie Arnaz) and rare photographs, *Desilu* is the first candid, inside account of a celebrated, complex, passionate, but ultimately tragic relationship -- as well as a fascinating behind-the-scenes look at *Desilu Studios*, the Golden Age of Television's most powerful production empire. The late Coyne Steven Sanders was a noted entertainment journalist and author of the critically acclaimed *Rainbow's End: The Judy Garland Show and The Dick Van Dyke Show Book*. Tom Gilbert is a veteran entertainment journalist who has contributed to *Variety*, the *Los Angeles Times*, *The New York Times*, *Emmy* magazine and *The Hollywood Reporter*. He currently is an editor for the *New York Post*.

Other Books

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