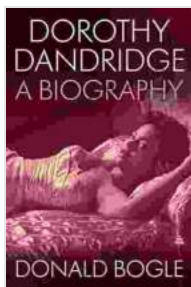


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Dorothy Dandridge was a groundbreaking African American actress, singer, and dancer who achieved unprecedented success in Hollywood during the 1950s and 1960s. She was the first African American actress to be nominated for an Academy Award for Best Actress, and her work helped pave the way for other black actresses to achieve success in the entertainment industry.

Dandridge was born in Cleveland, Ohio, in 1922. Her parents were both vaudeville performers, and she began performing at a young age. She moved to Los Angeles with her family in the early 1930s, and she soon began appearing in films and television shows. In 1954, she starred in the musical *Carmen Jones*, which was a critical and commercial success. She also starred in the films *Porgy and Bess* (1959) and *Tamango* (1959).

In addition to her acting career, Dandridge was also a successful singer and dancer. She recorded several albums, and she appeared in a number of Broadway musicals. She was also a popular performer on television, and she appeared on a number of variety shows.

Dandridge's personal life was often tumultuous. She married twice, and she had two children. She also struggled with mental illness, and she attempted suicide several times. She died in 1965 at the age of 42.

Despite her personal struggles, Dandridge was a remarkable woman who achieved great success in the entertainment industry. She was a trailblazer for African American actresses, and her work helped pave the way for other black actresses to achieve success.

Donald Bogle's Biography of Dorothy Dandridge



Donald Bogle is a renowned author and film historian who has written extensively about the history of African Americans in Hollywood. His biography of Dorothy Dandridge, titled *Dorothy Dandridge: A Biography*, is a comprehensive and well-researched account of Dandridge's life and career.

Bogle's biography draws on a wide range of sources, including interviews with Dandridge's family and friends, as well as archival research. He provides a detailed account of Dandridge's early life, her rise to stardom, and her personal struggles.

Bogle's biography is a valuable resource for anyone interested in the life and career of Dorothy Dandridge. It is a well-written and informative account of a remarkable woman who achieved great success in the face of adversity.

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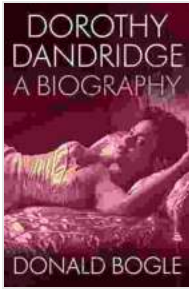
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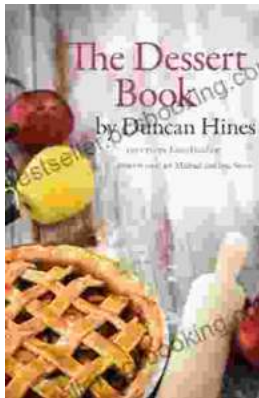
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