

Salka Viertel: Hollywood's Enigma and Savior

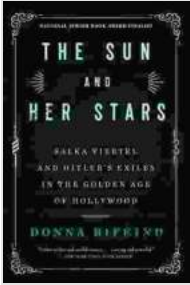
A Captivating Account of an Extraordinary Life and Legacy



**The Sun and Her Stars: Salka Viertel and Hitler's Exiles
in the Golden Age of Hollywood** by Donna Rifkind

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Salka Viertel: And Hitler Exiles in the Golden Age of Hollywood is a riveting historical narrative that delves into the life of Salka Viertel, a remarkable Austrian-American screenwriter, producer, and director who left an indelible mark on the film industry during the rise of Nazi Germany and the outbreak of World War II.

Born in 1889 in the vibrant city of Vienna, Salka Viertel embarked on her artistic journey as a playwright and novelist. Her keen intellect, sharp wit, and social connections within the avant-garde circles of Vienna and Berlin propelled her into the world of cinema.

As the shadows of Nazism spread across Europe, Salka Viertel's Jewish heritage and vocal opposition to fascism forced her to flee her homeland. In 1938, she sought refuge in the United States, joining the wave of German and Austrian intellectuals, artists, and filmmakers who found themselves exiled from their native countries.

Hollywood, then in its Golden Age, became Salka Viertel's new artistic home. With her profound understanding of storytelling and her exceptional ability to connect with audiences, she quickly established herself as a formidable screenwriter. Viertel's scripts showcased her keen eye for detail,

her ability to create compelling characters, and her deep understanding of human emotions.

Her collaborations with renowned directors such as Ernst Lubitsch, William Wyler, and Billy Wilder resulted in some of the most iconic films of the era, including "Ninotchka," "The Shop Around the Corner," and "Casablanca." Viertel's contributions to these cinematic masterpieces earned her widespread recognition and critical acclaim.

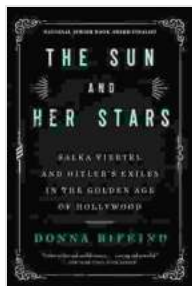
Beyond her remarkable career as a screenwriter, Salka Viertel also played a pivotal role in nurturing and supporting fellow exiles who sought sanctuary in Hollywood. Her home became a haven for artists, intellectuals, and refugees, where they found solace, inspiration, and a sense of belonging in a foreign land.

Salka Viertel's legacy extends far beyond her impressive filmography. She was a pioneer who defied societal norms, overcame adversity, and shattered glass ceilings for women in the film industry. Her unwavering commitment to artistic excellence, her generosity of spirit, and her indomitable resilience continue to inspire generations of filmmakers and artists today.

The biography "Salka Viertel: And Hitler Exiles in the Golden Age of Hollywood" is not only a captivating account of an extraordinary life but also a testament to the indomitable spirit of creativity and resilience in the face of adversity.

Free Download your copy today and immerse yourself in the fascinating world of Salka Viertel, a true icon of the Golden Age of Hollywood.

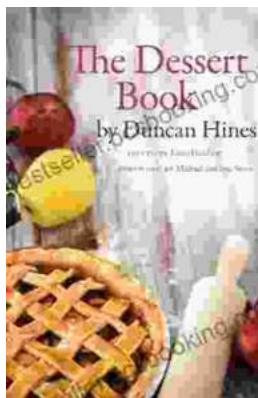
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