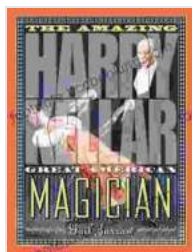


The Amazing Harry Kellar: The Great American Magician

Harry Kellar, known as the "Dean of American Magicians," was one of the most celebrated magicians of the late 19th and early 20th centuries.



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Born in Erie, Pennsylvania, in 1849, Kellar began his career as a magician at the age of 17. He quickly rose to fame with his innovative illusions and captivating stage presence. In 1884, he opened his own theater in Philadelphia, which became a popular destination for audiences eager to witness his extraordinary performances.

Kellar's illusions were known for their grandeur and complexity. He was the first magician to perform the "levitation" illusion, in which he appeared to float in mid-air. He also performed the "decapitation" illusion, in which he seemingly severed his own head from his body. And his signature illusion,

"sawing a woman in half," became one of the most iconic tricks in magic history.

In addition to his stage performances, Kellar was also a prolific writer and lecturer. He published several books on magic, including *The Secrets of Harry Kellar* and *The Art of Magic*. He also toured extensively, giving lectures and demonstrations on the history and techniques of magic.

Kellar's contributions to the art of magic were immense. He helped to elevate the status of magicians and popularize magic as a form of entertainment. He also mentored many young magicians, including Howard Thurston and Harry Houdini. Today, Kellar is remembered as one of the greatest magicians of all time.

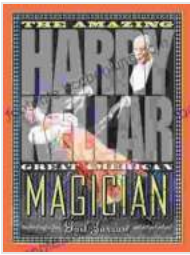
Kellar's Legacy

Kellar's legacy continues to inspire magicians today. His illusions are still performed by magicians around the world, and his writings remain essential reading for aspiring magicians. In addition, the Harry Kellar Magic Museum in Erie, Pennsylvania, houses a collection of Kellar's artifacts and memorabilia.

Kellar's impact on the art of magic is undeniable. He was a true pioneer who helped to shape the way magic is performed and appreciated today. His legacy will continue to inspire magicians for generations to come.

Further Reading

* The Harry Kellar Magic Museum * Harry Kellar on Genii Magazine * The Secrets of Harry Kellar on Our Book Library

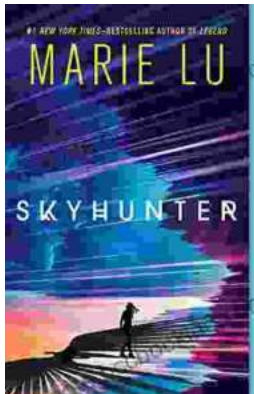


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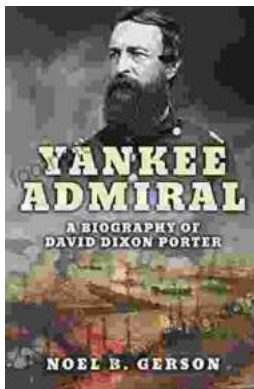
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