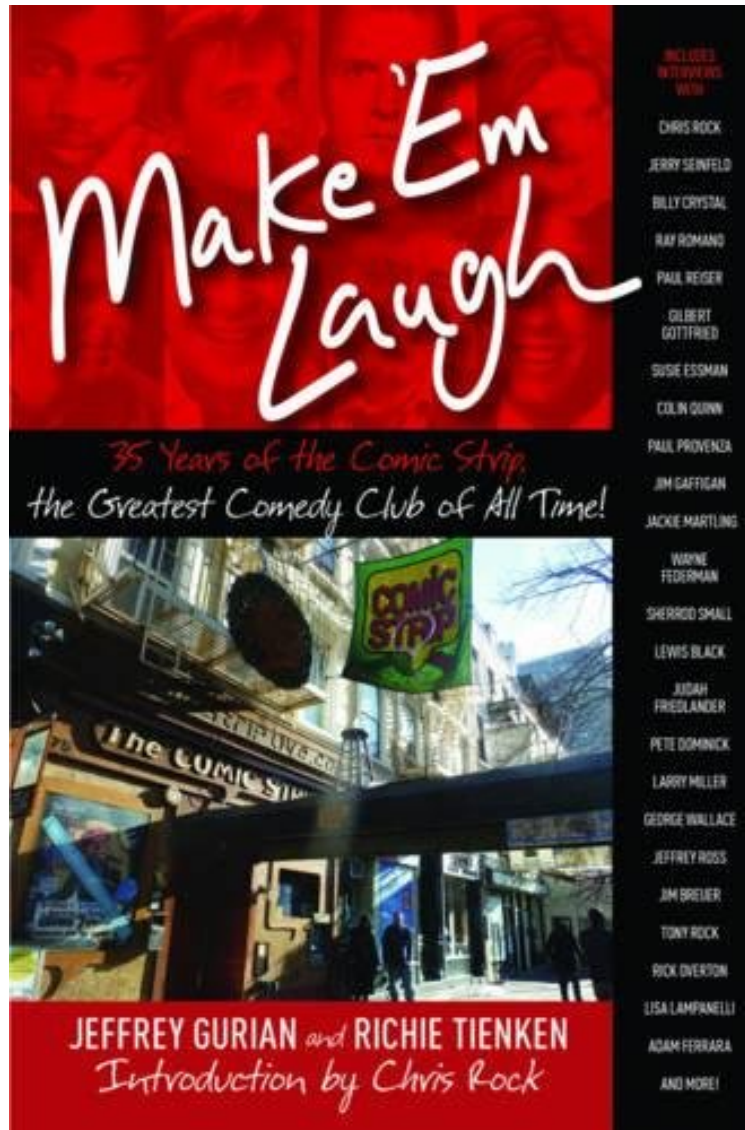


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I particularly liked the format of the book, with intros by Guran, and entire chapters written by the Masters themselves in their own words -like Jerry Seinfeld. It was a book that needed to be written, and although I have read others, i.e Dangerfield's bio, I loved the all-embracing concept of this book.0 of 2 people found the following review helpful. As Bob Saget said on the back cover: "No one says 'No' to Jeffrey Gurian" ... and now I see why!By Evelyn LiuWhat makes this book so perfect is that Gurian himself has been a member of the Comic Strip's family throughout the years. Gurian is not just a writer, interviewer or a mere acquaintance but in the inner circle of many, many comedians in this book. He's also an accomplished comic, so he knows which questions to ask, and how to ask them not only to make the book entertaining, but to capture the essence of each person. Gurian doesn't just know them as superstars - he knows their back story, and knows many of them as friends. He's unbelievably good at drawing out the essence of each person in only a few pages, or, from a single selected joke, as he did in a celebrity joke book he wrote based on his writings for the famed Friars Roasts, appropriately titled "Filthy, Funny and Totally Offensive: Jokes So Dirty Comedians and Entertainers Only Tell Them to Each Other." I want to devour anything and everything Gurian writes. Can't wait to see what his talented, singular voice graces the world with next!0 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Good stories from great comicsBy SteecialA worthy book. The Comic strip was my home base for the first three years of its existence. Good stories from great comics. It is an experience that the reader will find both informative and enjoyable..thx.fBk

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About the AuthorJeffrey Gurian is a comedy writer, performer, director, author, producer, doctor, and healer. He's written material for comedy legends such as Rodney Dangerfield, Jerry Lewis, Phil Hartman, Richard Belzer, George Wallace, and Joan Rivers. He's also written for MTV, National Lampoon, Weekly World News, and many Friars Club Roasts. In 1999, he launched Comedy Matters, a celeb-based, online entertainment column that now has evolved into Comedy Matters TV, an internet TV channel with over 150 A-list celebrity interviews. He currently teaches an online comedy class for the Learning Annex. You can read more at <http://www.jeffreygurian.com> And you can reach Jeffrey on Twitter at @jeffreygurian.Richie Tienken opened the Comic Strip on June 1, 1976, and effectively changed the face of comedy forever. At thirteen, he ran away from his home in the Bronx to Boston, where he got a job selling magazines door-to-door. He moved back to New York a year later and has since managed some of the biggest comedy stars, such as Eddie Murphy, Adam Sandler, and Colin Quinn.Chris Rock is a comedian, actor, screenwriter, television producer, and film producer.