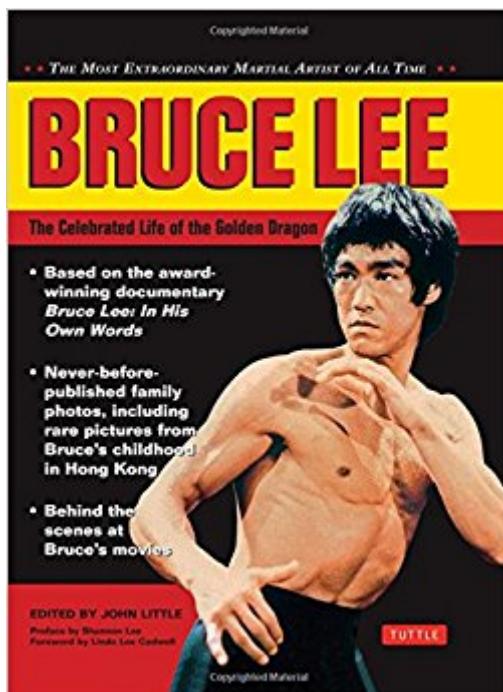


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Bruce Lee: The Celebrated Life Of The Golden Dragon (Bruce Lee Library)



Synopsis

A behind-the-scenes look at the life of the most extraordinary martial artist of all time. Bruce Lee: The Celebrated Life of the Golden Dragon is a photographic catalog of all facets of this fascinating man, from the start of his career to his untimely and tragic death in 1973. This book reveals a quiet family man behind the charismatic public persona. It shows the real Bruce Lee—the man who was so much more than an international film and martial arts celebrity. This brilliant photo essay—compiled and edited by Bruce Lee expert John Little with the assistance of Lee's widow, Linda Lee Cadwell—reveals never-before-published family photos, including rare photos of Bruce's childhood in Hong Kong. Tender moments with his children are caught on camera and action shots from his martial arts films are shown. With a preface by his daughter Shannon Lee and a foreword by wife Linda, the text is drawn directly from Bruce Lee's own diaries and journals. Based on the award-winning Warner Bros. documentary, Bruce Lee: In His Own Words, sections include: Chronology of the Life of Bruce Lee; Early Years—why he began studying gung fu (kung fu) and took up wing chun, his first starring role, and his return to the US; Hollywood—why he got the part in *The Green Hornet*, teaching Steve McQueen, James Coburn and Stirling Silliphant, filming *Enter the Dragon*, *The Way of the Dragon*, *Fist of Fury* and more, training and acting with Chuck Norris, Kareem Abdul-Jabbar, Dean Martin and Sharon Tate, and the creation of Jeet Kune Do (JKD); Family—meeting Linda, having children, daily life; This Bruce Lee Book is part of Tuttle Publishing's Bruce Lee Library which also features: Bruce Lee's Striking Thoughts; Bruce Lee's The Tao of Gung Fu; Bruce Lee Artist of Life; Bruce Lee: Letters of the Dragon; Bruce Lee: The Art of Expressing the Human Body; Bruce Lee Jeet Kune Do.

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People were drawn to the charismatic Lee (1940-1973) not only by virtue of his physical skills as a martial artist but also by his words as a teacher. Lee spoke in a uniquely concise, passionate and honest style that made people want to listen to him. The intensity of his words and presence is expertly captured in this wonderfully illustrated book. Based on editor Little's short documentary film *Bruce Lee in His Own Words*, the narrative traces Lee's life from his childhood in Hong Kong up to his death in 1973. It features quotes from Lee on the subjects that were most important to him: humanity, family, acting and, of course, martial arts. Lee speaks with conviction about these matters and makes use of both allegory and humor to get across his points. The book also features stills from Lee's movies and television appearances, as well as personal photos of Lee with his family. In all, this is an enjoyable, nostalgic read that goes behind the camera, allowing the reader to see Lee not as a legend but as a human being. Even 27 years after his death, interest in Lee remains strong, and so this book should prove popular, not only among his fans but students of the martial arts; sport and fitness stores and centers are an obvious ancillary outlet. (Nov.) Copyright 2000 Reed Business Information, Inc. --This text refers to the Library Binding edition.

"Packed with tales about his youth in Hong Kong, his acting career in America, and his philosophies on fighting." *• Maxim* "[An] expansive collection of photos, from his Hong Kong childhood to fatherhood with son Brandon." *• Men's Fitness* "Childhood snapshots, behind-the-scenes Hollywood images, and rare candid photos combine to form a scrapbook of Bruce's whole life." *• Inside Kung Fu* "One look at this book and you won't be able to put it down." *• Brilliantly assembled photographic essay.* *• Martial Arts & Combat Sports* "nearly every page is a gorgeous photo of Bruce Lee in all his glory. [A] If a picture is worth a thousand words, then this book is worth millions of words."

• TheFightNerd.com blog "Little's volume provides readers with a glossy collection of pictures that would make a nice addition to any martial artists' coffee table. [A] a sumptuous visual companion." *• Chinese Martial Studies blog*

The book was quite revealing to me and one will admire how hard he must have worked at all he

did. I knew of Bruce Lee and have seen some of his movies. I wish the book would have included the story of Brandon Lee, son of the dragon. I am very happy to have bought this book because I appreciate the person Bruce Lee more after reading his life story. I would recommend this biography to those who like biographies. Thank you

This arrived today. Although I was going to save it for a birthday gift, I was excited to give it and instead of waiting a month immediately gave it to the not yet birthday boy. He. Loved. It! To be honest, it wasn't what I expected. It is better! There are a lot of personal photos of the Lee family and although it appeared to be mainly photos, upon further inspection I discovered there is also a tremendous amount of text and information squeezed in too. All and all he and I are very pleased. Thank you.

I have been a Bruce Lee and martial arts fanatic all my life. I am a Consummate collector of Bruce Lee memorabilia as well. This is one. Of the best books I have seen on The Little Dragon. Great photos with attention to detail. If you love or admire Bruce and don't have this book in the collection add it you won't be disappointed. Cheers

Bruce Lee Forever!!!

amazing for the fan novice want to know a good in depth book about bruce lees life his thoughts family really compliments and extends his tremendous legacy for now and forever definite must read!!enoy!!

More information on the life of Bruce Lee, some info new, some old but there is always something to gleam from any book on his life.

great pics of the man himself!

Love this book!

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