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Bang Bang: My Life In Ink



Synopsis

The celebrity tattoo artist takes fans on a tour through his life and art, combining captivating vignettes and stories with more than one hundred color photos. Justin Bieber, Katy Perry, Rita Ora, Cara Delevingne, Rihanna, and many more of the hottest celebrities in the world have been seen on the red carpet, on concert stages, and in magazine spreads wearing stunning ink created by Keith "Bang Bang" McCurdy, the most in-demand tattoo artist in the entertainment world. Bang Bang's work has taken him across the country and around the globe, to any and every locale a celebrity client may request. From Rihanna's controversial gun tattoos, to inking Justin Bieber at 40,000 feet—a record—each of Bang Bang's tattoos comes with its own epic story. Now, this creative genius invites readers along on his adventures, sharing amazing tales from his life and career. Named for the dual guns tattooed on his neck, Bang Bang began his career in his mom's tiny Delaware kitchen. Self-taught, he practiced with a kit from an art store before eventually moving to New York. Over the past decade, Bang Bang's talent and vision propelled his rise into the spotlight, and today, his fresh, accessible aesthetic draws men and women, tattoo vets and novices alike eager to experience his ultra-fluid and realistic designs created with the finest needles and inks. Bang Bang's visual style transcends the clichés of the tattoo world; he creates a truly different form of art. Filled with engaging personal stories and striking photographs that bring his bold, vibrant designs into detail, Bang Bang is a must-have for Bang Bang fans and tattoo lovers everywhere.

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Customer Reviews

“I always bring Bang Bang in for my most special tattoos—the ones my touring team and I get at the end of a tour to commemorate another successful journey together. Each time, he’s created the definitive symbol of that era of my life.” —KATY PERRY

“Bang Bang opened my eyes to art that I was originally too scared or nervous to do. He’s passionate about who he tats on and there’s a memory with each one. I love his authenticity and passion, and of course his skill of delicate design.” —RITA ORA

“Bang Bang is the only tattoo artist I trust to put art onto my body.” —VANESSA HUDGENS

“Bang Bang is someone who has inspired me to look at tattoos as more than spur-of-the-moment, impulsive ideas, but as meaningful and precious pieces of art that I will take to my grave with me. He’s helped me to really value what I ink into my skin and how to make it worthy of being a part of me forever. His work is beyond incredible.” —DEMI LOVATO

Rihanna, Justin Bieber, Katy Perry, LeBron James, Rita Ora, Vanessa Hudgens, Demi Lovato, Cara Delevingne, and many more of the hottest celebrities in the world have been seen on the red carpet, on concert stages, and in magazine spreads wearing stunning ink created by Keith “Bang Bang” McCurdy. Named for the dual guns tattooed on his neck, Bang Bang began his career as a self-taught artist working from his mom’s kitchen in Delaware, but over the past decade his visual style has transcended the tattoo world, proving that ink isn’t just a statement, it’s high fashion. Going beneath the ink, Bang Bang shares the stories behind his work for major celebrities, star athletes, and everyday people. Filled with hundreds of striking photographs that bring his bold, vibrant designs into detail, *Bang Bang: My Life in Ink* tracks Bang Bang’s journey to the top, showing that the best ink is always much more than skin deep.

Wow! I Love reading stories of success. This is by far my Favorite to date. Think you had a screwed up childhood, "Now I realize that picking out music to accompany your mom when she takes off her clothes in front of strangers is kind of weird..." This guys story reads like what not to do with your kids. Still Bang Bang shows life is what you make of it, he takes all his "early lessons" and turn them into fuel for his fire. This kid Worked Hard for what he has. People wonder what is the magic answer to success over and over story after story show intense Focus and Desire coupled with Hard work=Success. From Micheal Jordan to Steve Jobs to Bang Bang, yes he fits in with these Top performers, Vogue magazine called Bang Bang the Most Famous Tattoo artist in the world at only 29 years old. From small town boy to tattooing and hanging with Rhianna, Katy Perry, Cara

Delevingne, Justine Bieber, and Adele...This is a Must Read for anyone but especially for those young kids out there who need some inspiration! Focus Focus Focus!!!

This is more than a collection of memoirs. This book is a great read and also inspires you to follow your passion. The story is unique, but not unfamiliar. Keith takes us on a journey that shows us how to follow our inner journey. Opportunities come to everyone, and Keith talks to us about how he followed his passion for art and had it lead to more than just a career. The stories, artwork and message are well worth the read. Enjoy!

What a life, and he is still pretty young yet. This guy tattoos everyone you can think of. My fave was Lenny Kravitz. He also tattoos non-famous people too though. Still, to be so young, accomplished in his craft, and a legend already.... Kevin McCurdy has definitely arrived. I love the tattoos I have. When I read about artists like Bang Bang, it makes me love them even more. He said something that is resonating through me about tattooing women and how you need to accentuate the beauty, not subtract from it. That's so true. It's all about placement, especially on a woman. I'm a chick with 9 tattoos, but I still like to glam out and go to fine dining restaurants. Tattoos on a woman need to be balanced so they don't take away from your femininity. Bang Bang has mastered this art! He may be among the best in the business, but he strives for better constantly. He never stops learning or challenging himself as an artist. That's why he's a legend. Tattoo fans; read this! Enjoy the wicked photos of his and other artists' work. You will be blown away. Of that I guarantee.

The photographs in this book are beautiful. Bang Bang is an entertaining writer who kept my interest from start to finish. I loved learning about his life and how he came to be one of the best tattoo artists. Now I'm itching to get my next tattoo!

Great and interesting read! I've been hearing about Bang Bang for a while, and following his instagram for years, so it was cool to read a bit up about his life. I'm (hopefully) going to book an appointment at his studio soon, though with a different artist since it seems Bang Bang is going to be busy for a while!

This is an awesome book. Would love to meet Bang bang one day. The shipping was quick and packaged very well the book was not damaged when I received it.

Love this book! Beautiful pictures and perfect for having out on the table for people to look at.

Incredible book

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