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Although these two books appear to be similar, they are actually very different in both intention and execution. Slide, founder of the journal *Silent Picture* and the distinguished author of more than 30 books related to the performing arts, presents a frank and fond collection of interviews and memories of 100 silent film stars, some of whom he knew personally. The criteria for inclusion are highly subjective; those who made the cut (e.g., Lillian Gish, William Bakewell, and Mary Astor) represent the author's "personal choice of some of the best, brightest or most unusual of silent players." The result is a fascinating, entertaining, and occasionally poignant work that invites the reader into the fabulous world of art, industry, and experimentation that was Hollywood in the 1910s and 1920s. The nature of the selection process means that this volume is more useful as a complementary resource, or even as a work to be read for its own sake, than as a stand-alone reference. A formidable work complete with biographies, filmographies, and photos, *Katchmer's Dictionary* profiles more than 1000 actors and actresses who appeared in silent Westerns. Katchmer, a noted columnist for *Classic Images* magazine, allows his voice and opinions to come through in each entry, making this a lively and informative read. Katchmer died in 1997 just after completing the research and writing for this work, which his son, John, assembled in final form. As with *Silent Players*, *Katchmer's Dictionary* describes lives and careers full of incident and accident. Both books are highly recommended for public or academic libraries where there is a strong interest in silent film or early film history.

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Review

"His frank observations about the personalities of these actors, along with their recollections of silent filmmaking, creates a kind of meta-portrait of celebrity itself?its grandeur and its foolishness."? *American Cinematographer*

"Slide's approach, focusing on talented and vibrant personalities, differentiates this work from others chronicling the silent film era."? *American Reference Book Annual*

"Anthony Slide is an authority on silent films."? *Beverly Hills Courier*

"The grand master of silent film scholarship."? *Choice*

"Slide sets the standard for film research that other writers can study and emulate."? *Daily Variety*

"One writer who possesses the special insight necessary to any intelligent discussion of the silent movie is Slide."? *Films in Review*

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"Our preeminent historian of the silent film."? *Lillian Gish*

"Slide profiles 100 silent film stars?57 of whom he knew personally?including such well-known names as Mary Astor, Lillian Gish, and Harold Lloyd."? *Los Angeles Times*

"Most cinemabilia collectors concentrate on films and personalities from the 1930's on, but there are other, more serious students of cinema interested in the earlier silent period, and they will welcome film historian Anthony Slide's *Silent Players* ." *Massillon (OH) Independent, Hartford (CT) Courant*

"Slide uses the lives of 100 stars to capture some of the diverse and creative charm of the period before sound was introduced to movies." *Register of the Kentucky Historical Society*

"Immensely entertaining." *Sight & Sound*

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Anthony Slide, a scholar of film history, has published over fifty pioneering works on film and entertainment.

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