

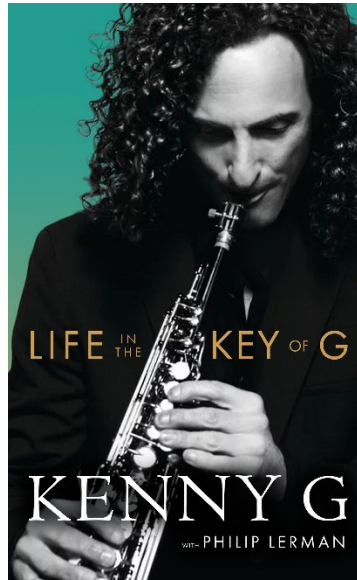


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**KENNY G TO PUBLISH HIS MEMOIR—*LIFE IN THE KEY OF G*—WITH
BLACKSTONE PUBLISHING FALL 2024**



LIFE IN THE KEY OF G

By Kenny G with Philip Lerman

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(Ashland, OR/New York, NY) May 9, 2024—Grammy Award-winning global superstar Kenny G has inked a deal with Blackstone Publishing to release his long-awaited memoir, *Life in the Key of G*, publishing September 24, 2024.

The deal was negotiated between Kenny G, Blackstone Acquiring Editor Addi Wright, and Jeff Kleinman and Steve Troha of Folio Literary Management. The memoir was written in partnership with Philip Lerman.

On writing his memoir, multiplatinum-selling cultural icon Kenny G says, “I’ve always preferred to let my music do the talking for me; it’s my way of expressing what’s in my heart. But I thought people might want to know what’s inside the music, and where it comes from. And there’s a lot about how I went from Kenneth Gorelick to Kenny G that I’ve never talked about



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before. It's been exactly fifty years since my first professional gig (and that blows my mind because I feel like I'm just getting started); but it seemed like a good time to share those stories with the wonderful people who've supported me all these years."

In his heartfelt, funny, and fascinating memoir, Kenny G shares how skinny Kenneth Gorelick, the kid who got hassled for his lunch money in a Seattle high school, became one of the most celebrated and revered virtuosos in the music industry. He uncovers how he's managed to rise above the fray, tune out the critics, and live a life filled with happiness and humor.

Kenny G is the greatest-selling instrumental musician of the modern era, and one of the best-selling artists of all time. With global sales totaling more than 75 million records and 1.5 billion streams, the jazz icon has accumulated a staggering 24 award nominations throughout his 50-year career and has taken home a Grammy Award, American Music Award, two NAACP Awards, and two Soul Train Music Awards. With classic top-selling studio albums including *Duotones*, *Silhouette*, *Breathless*, *Miracles: The Holiday Album*, *Heart and Soul*, and *Brazilian Nights*, Kenny has maintained a prominent level of creative excellence through decades of unprecedented commercial success.

On the publication, Blackstone CEO Josh Stanton remarks, "With his remarkable talent, unparalleled work ethic, and delightful sense of humor, Kenny G stands as one of the most iconic musicians globally. His story is not just a narrative but an inspiration, promising to move and enlighten readers. We are proud to welcome Kenny G into the Blackstone family."

About The Author:

KENNY G is a Grammy Award-winning saxophonist whose indelible, unique sound created a new genre of music and has endeared him to millions of people around the world. He is the best-selling instrumentalist of all time, with global sales of more than seventy-five million albums. Kenny has twice been given the NAACP Image Award. A Seattle native, Kenny lives in Los Angeles and is a proud and devoted father.

PHILIP LERMAN is the former national editor of *USA Today* and former co-executive producer of *America's Most Wanted*. He is the author or co-author of eleven books, including *Dadditude* and *Woke Up This Morning: The Definitive Oral History of "The Sopranos"* with Michael Imperioli and Steve Schirripa.

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