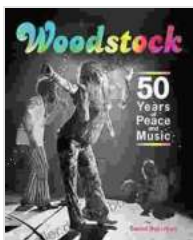


Woodstock: 50 Years of Peace and Music

In the summer of 1969, over 400,000 people gathered in Bethel, New York, for a three-day music festival that would become a symbol of peace, love, and the counterculture movement. Woodstock was conceived by four young men—Michael Lang, Artie Kornfeld, Joel Rosenman, and John Roberts—who were looking to create a "happening" that would celebrate the music and culture of the time. They chose the name Woodstock after the town where the festival was originally supposed to be held (although it was eventually moved to Bethel due to permit issues).

The festival lineup was a who's who of rock and roll, including Jimi Hendrix, The Who, Santana, Janis Joplin, Creedence Clearwater Revival, and Crosby, Stills, Nash & Young. The music was only part of the story, however. Woodstock was also a place where people could come together to express their ideals and protest against the Vietnam War. The festival became a symbol of the counterculture movement, which rejected the materialism and conformity of mainstream society.



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A view of the massive crowd at the Woodstock music festival in 1969.

The Music of Woodstock

The music at Woodstock was as diverse as the crowd that attended. There was something for everyone, from hard rock to folk to psychedelic rock. Some of the most iconic performances of all time took place at Woodstock, including Jimi Hendrix's rendition of "The Star-Spangled Banner," The Who's performance of "My Generation," and Santana's performance of "Soul Sacrifice."

The Woodstock soundtrack album is one of the best-selling albums of all time. It captures the spirit of the festival and features some of the most iconic songs of the era.

The Impact of Woodstock

Woodstock had a profound impact on music, culture, and society. It helped to popularize rock and roll and introduce a new generation of artists to the world. The festival also raised awareness of the anti-war movement and inspired countless people to pursue their own dreams.

Woodstock is still remembered today as one of the most important events in popular music history. It was a time of peace, love, and music, and it continues to inspire people around the world.

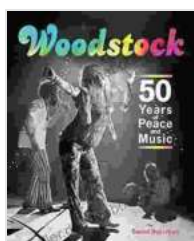
Woodstock Timeline

- 1969: Woodstock Music & Art Fair is held in Bethel, New York.
- 1970: The Woodstock soundtrack album is released.
- 1994: A 25th anniversary Woodstock festival is held.
- 1999: The Woodstock Museum opens in Bethel, New York.
- 2009: A 40th anniversary Woodstock festival is held.
- 2019: Woodstock celebrates its 50th anniversary.

Woodstock Artists

- Joan Baez
- The Band
- Blood, Sweat & Tears

- Crosby, Stills, Nash & Young
- The Grateful Dead
- Jimi Hendrix
- Janis Joplin
- Santana
- The Who



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