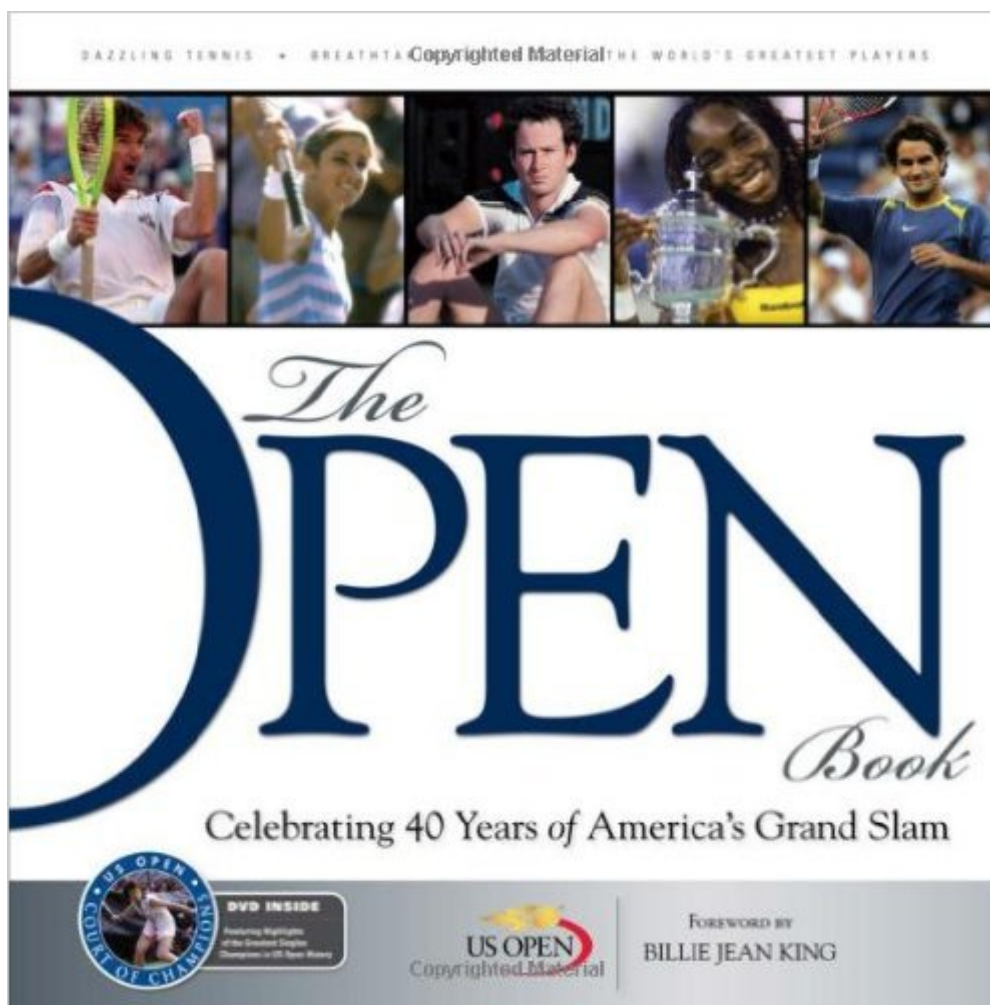


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# The Open Book: Celebrating 40 Years Of America's Grand Slam



## Synopsis

A celebration of the sport of tennis and a spectacle of its most electrifying event, this book brings to life the historical moments, exciting highlights, and overall emotion of the US Open. From the early years of Billie Jean King and Arthur Ashe to current players like Roger Federer and Maria Sharapova, each of these household names have made their mark competing on the game's biggest stage. The pages are filled with background information for each champion, interesting tidbits from their winning years, and highlights from the past four decades. The stunning photographs allow readers to feel the enthusiasm that surrounded each champion during their journey to victory, and the accompanying US Open Court of Champions DVD features video tributes to the 15 greatest singles champions in the history of the US Open with footage never made available before.

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## Customer Reviews

The first thing I did when I opened this book was to look at the pictures; all of them! The photography is so spectacular that I couldn't stop until I saw them all. The Open Book is a history of the US Open Tennis Championships during the 40 years of the "open" (professional) era of tennis. It covers each decade since the beginning of the open era in 1968, using photos, statistics, and articles by famous tennis journalists. The photographs, as mentioned above, are amazing, and lead you through the story of the Open, with a few thrown in "out of order" to make you think about the connections between players of different decades, and to marvel at the way the game of tennis has changed over the years. I found it interesting to read the articles and opinions written during each

phase of the change over from the amateur to professional era, through the institution of the tie break, equal prize money for women players, and the birth of the National Tennis Center. The statistics are interesting, but don't make your eyes glaze over if you're not a stats person, and there is also a dvd with information about the players immortalized on the Us Open Court of Champions. This book has so much information, that I expect to find something I "missed the first time", every time I open the book. As an avid tennis player and fan, I highly recommend "The Open Book" to anyone who has an interest in the game.

This a very nice book, the pictures of famous tennis players , such as McEnroe, Rod Laver are excellent. It includes a disc with some short videos of famous matches at the US Open.

The book was fine although I wish it had a 2009-present addendum. It was shipped in an oversized box with no packing materials so its cover had gray stains on it.

Bravo is all I can say about this book. Loved it from cover to cover. The U.S. Open Tennis Championships seen in a very unique way.

Great photography and DVD. A wonderful history of the Open. Recommended for all Tennis fans. Good quality binding and printing

Perfect for my grandson who plays on his highschool tennis team and went to the Open last year.Would give again.

If you are a tennis fanatic or not this book is a winner! The writing,editing and photos are outstanding. It makes a super gift for the tennis player or someone who may be interested in learning about the US Open Tennis Champions in New York. Makes a beautiful coffee table book in any office or home!

Excellent book. Photos amazing, son in law over the moon with his present.

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