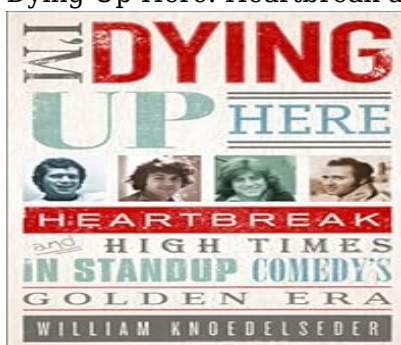


Im Dying Up Here: Heartbreak and High Times in Stand-Up Comedy's Golden Era By William Knoedelseder **Book Im Dying Up here elvis** I understand the importance of the event.

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In the mid-1970s Jay Leno David Letterman Andy Kaufman Richard Lewis Robin Williams Elayne Boosler Tom Dreesen and several hundred other shameless showoffs and incorrigible cutups from across the country migrated en masse to Los Angeles the new home of Johnny Carson's Tonight Show. **Im Dying Up Here kindle store** In **Im Dying Up Here** he tells the whole story of that golden age of the strike that ended it and of how those days still resonate in the lives of those who were there. **Im Dying Up Here kindle cloud** While many stand up comics release books today where they're just publishing their bits and trying to be funny I've grown to be more into memoir style books about comedy that feature road stories or how they came up with some of their jokes. **PDF Im Dying Up here i am** The book has a very basic arch to it in that it introduces many of the main players then talks about comedy getting popular and then finally moves into the comedy strike where all the comedians no matter what level they were at would like to get paid for their performances at the Comedy Store. **Kindle Im Dying Up here tv** Regardless it was very cool to read about what they were all dealing with back then and even to learn about a few people who didn't really make it to where they wanted to be. **Book Im Dying Up here elvis** If you don't know many of the names do yourself a favor and look them up on google or youtube and watch a little bit of their work so you can put a face to the name. **I'm dying up here** Again fully recommended for the stand up fan! Hardcover One of the reasons I read so few books in the last year and a half is that I spent a lot of my commute time - usually my prime reading time - listening to Marc Maron's WTF podcast interviews with comedians writers actors directors chefs artists musicians and others that are a serious master class in the creative process and incredibly inspiring. **Book Im Dying Up here cast** Marc mentioned this book on one of the podcasts and it's a perfect companion piece looking at the history of the stand-up comedy world in 1970s LA when the scene completely exploded around Mitzi's Shore's Comedy Store and then caused an enormous rift in the comedy world over the dispute with Mitzi and subsequent long strike of her club because she refused to pay any of the comedians that performed there. **EPub Im Dying Up here cast** She fostered the careers of so many now-legendary comedians that it's mind-boggling - Robin Williams Richard Pryor Jimmie Walker Jay Leno David Letterman Gary Shandling Elayne Boosler Richard Lewis Freddie Prinze Andy Kaufman and many many others. **PDF Im Dying Up here song** That said - the first half of the book was very interesting to learn about the comics of that day (Leno Letterman Lewis & Boosler with some Pryor thrown in here and there). **Im Dying Up Here kindle direct** The second half of the book dealt almost entirely with the Comics strike of 1979 which I a) didn't know happened and b) am so amazed by their attempted organization of collective bargaining. **Book Im Dying Up here elvis** I would just like to say this as my opinion part of this particular review: I take my hat off to Mitzi Shore for her vision and the way that she really did craft and create a wonderful method of promoting comedians. **Book Im Dying Up here elvis** When you look at the piles of \$\$ that The Comedy Store took in and the fact that she wasn't even willing to concede a stipend for gas or breakfast to these comics who were making her all that \$\$ just seems completely insane. **Book Im Dying Up here elvis** I am sure there are other issues in play here and if I read a book that is 100% written from the perspective of her side of the story maybe I'd feel a little bit different. **Kindle Im Dying Up here** To this day I am amazed that comics still work so hard for so little - but I'm glad that it's gotten a little bit better thanks to the resolve of Tom Dreesen - a man I knew nothing about before reading this book and now am aware of and have massive respect for. **EBook Im Dying Up here cast** Yes this book is certainly about a specific scene in a certain era but there are timeless elements involved as well such as the tension between commerce and art and the conflict of management/ownership versus labor. **Book Im Dying Up here elvis** I like that the author doesn't try to glamorize the comics I

would say he reveals his biases in favor of the comics (labor) and against the comedy establishment (Mitzi Shore) in this case. **Im Dying Up Here kindle direct** I am a wannabee stand-up comic and absolutely nothing has changed in the way he describes the personality traits and flaws of comics and those of the folks who run the comedy club business. **Book Im Dying Up here elvis** Fascinating to catch glimpses of the character and struggles of some the comedy biggies this book forever changed my mind in a negative way towards Garry Shandling damn scab! I would like to read more of this author's work we need more investigative journalists out there like him! Hardcover Most of the book was about The Mitzi Shore Dilemma; when she didn't want to pay the comics that were on their way to becoming stars and how they had to live on the bar food that they ate before their sets because they were starving but when one half of the book is about how well known famous comedians (Letterman Dreesen Lewis Leno etc. **Book Im Dying Up here elvis**) became who they are today plus the ups and downs of their interpersonal relationships it's not a surprise that the other half of the book about the strike legalities wasn't as interesting. **I'm dying up here season 2** I was always intrigued by this time in stand up comedy and how so many talented people went on for so long for no money and was finally glad to get the whole story or at least a larger picture of what went on in that turbulent era. **Book Im Dying Up here elvis** Still relevant as well inasmuch as it illustrates the prevalent attitude of "job creators" who believe they're entitled to collect the fruits of other people's labor without providing any compensation. Hardcover I've become increasingly interested in stand up comedy after I discovered the Marc Maron podcast. **Kindle Im Dying Up here** The first half of the book was exactly what I wanted - great stories and inside knowledge of stand up comedians and their relationships, **EBook Im Dying Up here tv** The book really stalled when the conflict between the comedians and the Comedy Store with Mitzi Shore. **Kindle Im Dying Up here** Most of the rest of the book was about that conflict and the formation of (or the proposed formation of) a comedian union, **I'm dying up here reviews** There in a late-night world of sex drugs dreams and laughter they created an artistic community unlike any before or since, **Book Im Dying Up here elvis** William Knoedelseder was then a cub reporter covering the burgeoning local comedy scene for the Los Angeles Times, **Book Im Dying Up here cast** He wrote the first major newspaper profiles of several of the future stars. **EPub Im Dying Up here book** And he was there when the comedians—who were not paid by the clubs where they performed— tried to change the system and incidentally tore apart their own close-knit community. **Book Im Dying Up here elvis** As comedy clubs and cable TV began to boom many would achieve stardom. **Book Im Dying Up here elvis** *Im Dying Up Here: Heartbreak and High Times in Stand-Up Comedy's Golden Era*



A total comfort read the literary equivalent of a grilled cheese sandwich with tomato soup, **Book Im Dying Up here** *I'm Dying Up Here* allows us to spend 280 pages in the company of the great 1970s comedians from Dave and Jay to Richard Robin Andy and many more: **I'm dying up here season 2** I would have preferred more time on the comics' antics and less on The Comedy Store strike but that's a minor quibble for such a soul-satisfying reading experience. **EBook Im Dying Up here season** Hardcover Hey believe it or not Jay Leno was a very respected comedian before everyone got mad at him for that Tonight Show thing with Conan, **EBook Im Dying Up here season** Stand up comedy has been a huge interest of mine for a long long time: **Book Im Dying Up here elvis** So when I saw there was a book about the comedy boom and strike in L, **Book Im Dying Up here elvis** If you have any interest in stand up comedy and I mean passed whatever Louie or Amy Shumer

are doing right this second then you should check out this book: **Im Dying Up Here kindle store** Comedians have always been around but interest in stand up always seems to ebb and flow; I guess like anything. **Im Dying Up Here epub reader** It hearkens back to a time when the internet wasn't a thing and comradery between you and your friends was the best part of the day. **I'm dying up here season 2** This book is that much more enjoyable if you're familiar with the people in it: **Book Im Dying Up here elvis** While I don't know everyone mentioned from the time we all know many of the heavy hitters (Robin Williams David Letterman Jay Leno Elaine Boosler Richard Pryor and many others). **Book Im Dying Up here elvis** Hardcover I can't remember where I heard of this book but somehow it ended up in my library queue and I set about to read it. **PDF Im Dying Up here song** I really enjoyed the writing and the progression of the story, **Book Im Dying Up here elvis** I had always heard of this Mitzi Shore person but didn't know who she was or what an impact she had on the comedy scene in the 70s. **Im Dying Up Here epubs air** I will say this - the one thing about the book that was so well written and something I had no knowledge about was the tragic story of Steve Lubetkin. **EBook Im Dying Up here tv** I am glad this book exists and that I read it just for the fact that I now know his story, **Kindle Im Dying Up here cast** Hats off to the author for his very sympathetic and kind retelling of his deserved tale: **PDF Im Dying Up here i am** I do recommend this book to anyone who is interested in stand-up and/or history and how the people who make you laugh got their start: **Kindle Im Dying Up here cast** What is truly tragic is either her massive greed or her Roman Empire style ego that for all intents and purposes ruined a great thing. **Im Dying Up Here epub reader** But overall the idea of one person becoming rich on the backs of others talent who can't even afford to eat just seems altogether wrong, **Kindle Im Dying Up here tv** I feel things got out of hand because she was entirely unreasonable and it's really too bad things went down that way: **I'm dying up here season 2** And now I know why I had such a strange feeling about the energy of The Comedy Store when I drive by there, **Im Dying Up Here epub reader** Hardcover I devoured this book in two days loved getting the inside dish from someone who was there and experienced it and was affected by it, **I'm dying up here reviews** This is a social history not a how-to book or biography but this book was just a good gripping human story: **Book Im Dying Up here elvis** It left me feeling like there were probably a lot of stories untold, **Im Dying Up Here publishing** Hardcover Great story I was hoping there would be a bit more humorous stories but was satisfied with what was portrayed: **I'm dying up here season 2** I knew a bit about Mitzi Shore from other sources even the view from the other side when I saw a documentary by her son: **Book Im Dying Up here season** Hardcover During the seventies I was hoovering up as much stand-up comedy as I was able. **EPub Im Dying Up here book** Granted with access to only four tv channels a bedtime of 10 pm and no internet it wasn't easy: **EPub Im Dying Up here** I was vaguely aware of a comedian's strike against the Comedy Store but knew none of the details until I read this book, **PDF Im Dying Up here** Reading this made me even sadder that Letterman is closing up shop[1]

And wearing shoes that had no laces or soles. I didn't enjoy that. I think I even found this book through his Twitter feed. It was Comedy Camelot—but it couldn't last. but success had its price. A. from the 70's and 80's I was pretty excited. However this is a very important part of comedy history. Should we call it Comederadry? No probably not. It really makes the book that much better. It's a great engrossing read. That said - I'm so glad that I did. Quick read for sure. Great stories and great comedy turned into bad juju. Sad for them and us. Hardcover Fun and interesting read. Wish it was longer. Pauly Shore. Interesting and fact filled and some fun to read. I found the book fascinating and enlightening. The end of an era indeed. Hardcover.