

HOLLYWOOD STILL LOVES JUDY GARLAND! (IT ALSO LOVES THE JAZZ-AGE LESBIAN ACTIVIST, MERCEDES DE ACOSTA AND NYC'S HISTORIC MAGNOLIA HOUSE, TOO)

**BLOOD MOON PRODUCTIONS PROUDLY ANNOUNCES FIRST OR SECOND-PLACE WINS
FOR THREE OF ITS RECENT TITLES AT THE 2021 HOLLYWOOD BOOK FESTIVAL.**

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Blood Moon announces its acquisition of three literary awards from the prestigious Hollywood Book Festival, one of the nation's greatest arbiters of taste in matters associated with the Entertainment industry. All of them were conceived by, and spearheaded by, the most prolific author of show-biz biographies in the world, Darwin Porter.

In the Category of BIOGRAPHY: Blood Moon's biography of Dorothy (Judy Garland), the most talented and tragic actress in the history of Golden Age Hollywood was the First Place Winner.

In the Category of GENERAL NON-FICTION: Blood Moon's overview of the life and intimacies of the Lesbian activist, Mercedes de Acosta, lover to, among many others, Greta Garbo, Marlene Dietrich, Eva Le Gallienne, and Isadora Duncan, is a Runner-Up to the First Prize Winner, and

In the Category of HISTORY: Blood Moon's two-volume memoir of its celebrity-soaked headquarters, Staten Island's historic Magnolia House, has emerged as Runner-Up to the First Prize Winner.

As cited by Blood Moon's president and Publisher, Danforth Prince, "Each of these titles represent A CELEBRATION OF THE AMERICAN CENTURY and the immensely powerful pop culture and national identity it generated. We present them to the reading (and movie-watching) public as sometimes shocking documentation of the otherwise unrecorded 'oral histories' of the celebrities who made America Great. We are deeply grateful to the judges who recognized the merits of these titles."

**All three of these books are Available Everywhere through
Amazon.com Worldwide, Now**

WHAT IS BLOOD MOON PRODUCTIONS?

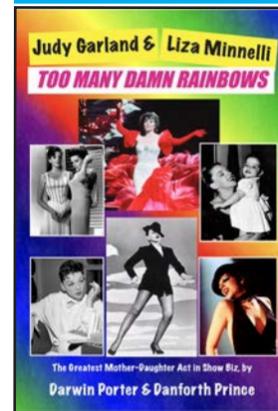
Established in 2004 by writers formerly associated with THE FROMMER GUIDES, Blood Moon Productions is an independent publishing enterprise dedicated to researching, salvaging, and preserving the oral histories of America's entertainment industry. As described by The Huffington Post, "Blood Moon, in case you don't know, is a small publishing house on Staten Island that cranks out Hollywood gossip books, about two or three a year, usually of five, six-, or 700-page length, chocked with stories and pictures about people who used to consume the imaginations of the American public, back when we actually had a public imagination. That is, when people were really interested in each other, rather than in Apple 'devices.' In other words, back when we had vices, not devices."

Blood Moon is one of the most prolific show-biz presses in the world, with a backlist of almost 50 titles, each an overview of seminal characters who affected the course of "The American Century." It's headquartered within **historic** Magnolia House, an award-winning AirBnB in Staten Island, the "sometimes forgotten" Outer Borough of New York City. For more information about its exciting line of award-winning celebrity biographies and film guides, click on

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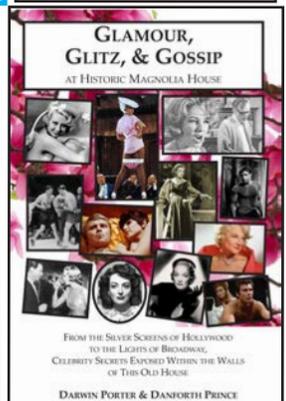
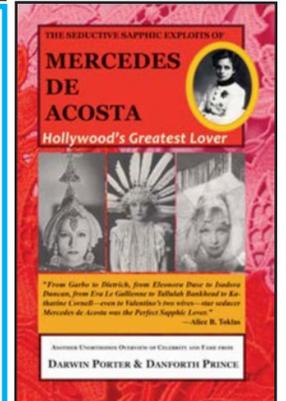


Based in the capital of show business, The Hollywood Book Festival spotlights literature worthy of further consideration by the talent-hungry pipeline of the entertainment industry.



Judy Garland and Liza Minnelli were the greatest, most colorful, and most tragic mother-daughter team in show biz history. Here's a compelling postmodern spin on the manic and depressive sides of the Hollywood myth, and the seductive dangers of the Emerald City.

Here are firsthand accounts derived from Mercedes de Acosta (1892-1968), an intimate friend of its author, Darwin Porter. It focuses on the Silent Screen, the heyday of Broadway, and the "Story Behind the Stories" of some of the women who evolved into the stage and screen's most iconic goddesses.



Some visitors liken Magnolia House to a *grande dame* with a centuries-old knack for nourishing high-functioning eccentrics. Here, in two gossipy volumes, are the stories of the celebrity secrets unveiled within its walls.