



Ramon Novarro: A Biography of the Silent Film Idol, 1899-1968; with a Filmography (Paperback)

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McFarland Co Inc, United States, 2009. Paperback. Condition: New. Reprint. Language: English . Brand New Book. Ramon Novarro was Ben-Hur to moviegoers long before Charlton Heston. The 1926 film of Lew Wallace s epic novel made Novarro - known as Ravishing Ramon - one of Hollywood s most beloved silent film idols. His bright and varied career, spanning silents, talkies, the concert stage, theater, and television, came to a dark conclusion with his murder in 1968. Ellenberger s comprehensive presentation of Novarro s life chronicles his days in Mexico during the Huerta Revolution, as well as his reign as one of Hollywood s leading romantic actors, working with stars like Greta Garbo, Myrna Loy and Helen Hayes. This biography covers Novarro s descent into alcoholism and despair over his homosexuality and his waning career, finally culminating in a grisly murder that has caused Novarro to be remembered more as a victim than as a star. The author has researched both the private and public aspects of Novarro s life to return him to his rightful place in film history. The text includes a complete filmography, and photographs from Novarro s life and work.



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