

APL Recommends

Title: I Am Spock

Author: Leonard Nimoy

Call #: Bio Nimoy, Leonard

Recommended By: Jim A.

Leonard Nimoy (3/26/1931—2/27/2015) was, and will always be Mr. Spock. In “I Am Spock” the actor, director, and photographer talks about his career and life playing the role of earths favorite Vulcan. He also highlights the other various roles and aspects of his career that weren’t part of the star trek universe. I found these parts most interesting because the were new to me. (As they probably would be to most)

Nimoy also has a running dialog with Spock in a conversation that introduces each chapter of the book, and pops in occasionally elsewhere. I think this is an interesting concept as it is sort of a conversation with himself...yet not.

Nimoy also corrects some misinterpretations from his earlier book “I Am Not Spock” when he corrects the idea that he actually didn’t like the character. (he did) Some studio executives were the ones who truly didn’t like Mr. Spock on the show.

I personally may have grown up with Picard & Riker leading the Enterprise (D), but I also enjoyed every movie and re-run about the original Star Trek crew. So hopefully you will enjoy this trip into the distinctly human and Vulcan mind of Mr. Nimoy as much as I did.

And I’d be remiss if I didn’t end by saying

“Live long and Prosper.”

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Title:

The Greened House Effect

Author: Jeff Wilson

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Kermit the frog was right when he said “It’s not easy being green.”, but now green refers to far more than a color. In The Greened House Effect author (and builder) Jeff Wilson guides us through the steps to the greening of our homes. Every aspect of how to make your home more energy efficient, environmentally friendly, and sustainable are covered. With practical hands on advice, common sense tips, and great photos that explain all the do’s and don’ts of the process Jeff is preparing us well, for what he calls a DER (deep energy retrofit) of our homes. What I find useful is that you can take this book as a step by step guide, or you can just pick and choose the projects you want to tackle. Jeff also covers the green of our wallets side of the problem too. For financial tips on how to afford all this home greening check out chapter four. The authors sense of humor occasionally shines through too, such as teaching the importance of insulating your basements / foundations...check out page 142 and you’ll see what I mean. So thanks to Jeff (and his family) for sharing their experience with the rest of us in how to make it a little easier being green, and I’m sure Kermit will appreciate it.
