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Review

"The truth is definitely stranger than fiction - Greg Prato brings to light the sad and compelling truth, revelations, and recollections of those that were directly involved with one of the great talents of music history. Tommy Bolin was a musical genius." --Greg Hampton (*Whips and Roses* and *Teaser Deluxe* producer)

"*Touched by Magic* will give you the true feel of a cult hero. A story people should know, and finally get to learn about it." --Stone & Double T, WXRX, Rockford, IL

"*Touched By Magic: The Tommy Bolin Story* will give fans the journey into Tommy Bolin's life they always wanted to take." --Keith Roth, The Electric Ballroom Radio Show

"This 252-page book is a remarkable achievement and hits every target whilst paying respectful justice to the memory of one of the world's greatest guitar stars." --blogcritics.org

"A tragic book, but one well worth reading." --curledup.com

"It's an absolute blast and I rate it as essential for Tommy fans." --John Herdt, Webmaster and Producer, Tommy Bolin Archives

"Upon reading Greg's book, I found myself, once again, immersed in the deep emotional impact that Tommy had on my life." --Glenn Hughes (bandmate of Tommy's in Deep Purple), glennhughes.com

"After reading 'Touched by Magic,' it seemed to me every interview 'takes you there' for the moment." --Johnnie Bolin (Tommy's brother), foreword of book

About the Author

Greg Prato is a Long Island, New York--based journalist, whose writing has appeared in such renowned publications as *Rolling Stone*, *All Music Guide*, and *Classic Rock Magazine*. He is the author of several popular books, 'A Devil on One Shoulder and an Angel on the Other: The Story of Shannon Hoon and Blind Melon,' 'Touched by Magic: The Tommy Bolin Story,' 'Grunge Is Dead: The Oral History of Seattle Rock Music,' 'No Schlock . . . Just Rock!,' 'The Eric Carr Story,' 'MTV Ruled the World: The Early Years of Music Video,' and 'Sack Exchange: The Definitive Oral History of the 1980s New York Jets.'

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