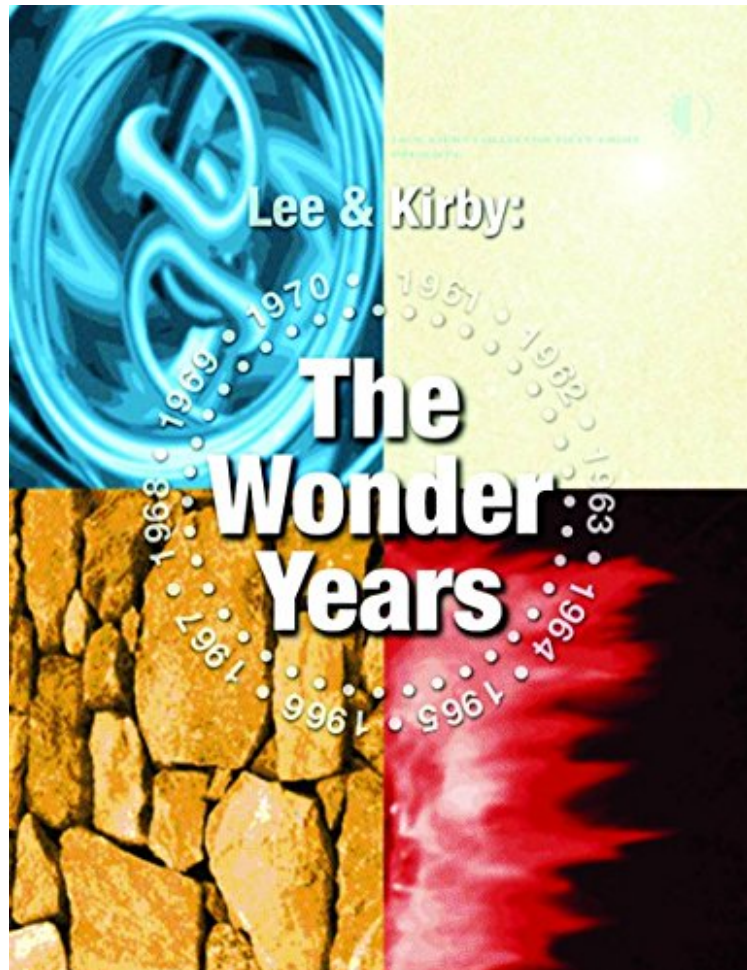


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3 of 3 people found the following review helpful. 1960s Marvel Superhero RenewalBy Mark StreleckiIn 1961, Marvel could see the success that DC was having with its Silver Age remake of The Flash, and the popularity of the Challengers of the Unknown and Justice League of America. That's when Stan Lee and Jack Kirby came up with The Fantastic Four and subsequent string of superhero hits, like The Hulk, Spider-Man, and superteam The Avengers. This book is LOADED with Jack Kirby's fabulous artwork, much of it in pure pencil form, but also graced by some of comicdom's finest inkers, including Joe Sinnott, most noted for his work on The Fantastic Four. I read this in tandem

with Sean Howe's "Marvel Comics - The Untold Story" which is also a Must-Read if you're a fan of this time in comics history, as I am. I had lots of gaps in my recollection filled in, saw the greatness and power of the imagery, and finally saw the differences in the scripting that made for so much drama and excitement. I highly recommend this book (and Howe's) as excellent examples covering the backstory that formed the Marvel we know today! 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. They really were...By Peter J. McGill.. the wonder years. This book is all about Stan and Jack's work on the Fantastic Four. It does touch on other areas of Marvel lore, but this is really all about 'The World's Greatest Comic Magazine'. Its format is not unlike Pierre Comtois' Field Guide books. It looks at the those first 102 comics in great detail as well as looking at the characters and the themes that have carried the FF through. There is also an overview of each and every issue. Interestingly, it is not just a review of each and every plot, but a look how the issue fits into the FF story; how a particular issue might fit into the big picture within the Marvel Universe.this is a great read and isn't something that merely guilds the lily. It does accurately criticise some of the later issues that sadly did indicate Jack's unease with his situation and pending departure. The book is one that sits in pride of place in my bookcase.1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Wonder Years - Fantastic Four SpecificBy Stephen A. MelisiA top notch read all around -- but be warned, this is Fantastic Four specific when it comes to the Stan Lee-Jack Kirby collaboration at Marvel. Although there is a lot of coverage of the history of comics and Marvel specifically, don't expect to find an in-depth analysis of Thor or Avengers or Hulk or the other creations which came out of that (dare I say it) dynamic duo of Lee and Kirby. That said, for a deep look at the Fantastic Four, this is an excellent job.Especially exciting is that the author actually acknowledges the Stan Lee part of this partnership--very rare in a Jack Kirby Collector edition. They couldn't help themselves and stick in a rebuttal to a particular claim, but the majority of the book dispels any myths about Stan as the do-nothing which the Kirby fanatics would have you believe. This was a partnership through and through, and neither could have achieved their successes in this time without the other.A nitpicker point -- too often examples of their work (particularly Jack's) is referenced but the images on the pages are not of that. Any chance to see original pencil art is to be appreciated of course, but I wish more of the art contained within would have had a direct connection to the text.

Celebrate the 50th Anniversary of Fantastic Four #1 with this new book about the two pop-culture visionaries who created the Fantastic Four, and a decade in comics that was more tumultuous and awe-inspiring than any before or since. Calling on his years of research, plus new interviews conducted just for this book (with Stan Lee, Flo Steinberg, Mark Evanier, Joe Sinnott, and others), regular Jack Kirby Collector magazine contributor Mark Alexander traces both Lee and Kirby's history at Marvel Comics, and the remarkable series of events and career choices that led them to converge in 1961 to conceive the Fantastic Four. It also documents the evolution of the FF throughout the 1960s, with previously unknown details about Lee and Kirby's working relationship, and their eventual parting of ways in 1970. With a wealth of of historical information and amazing Kirby artwork, Stan Lee Jack Kirby: The Wonder Years beautifully examines the first decade of the FF, and the events that put into motion the 1960s era that came to be known as the Marvel Age of Comics!