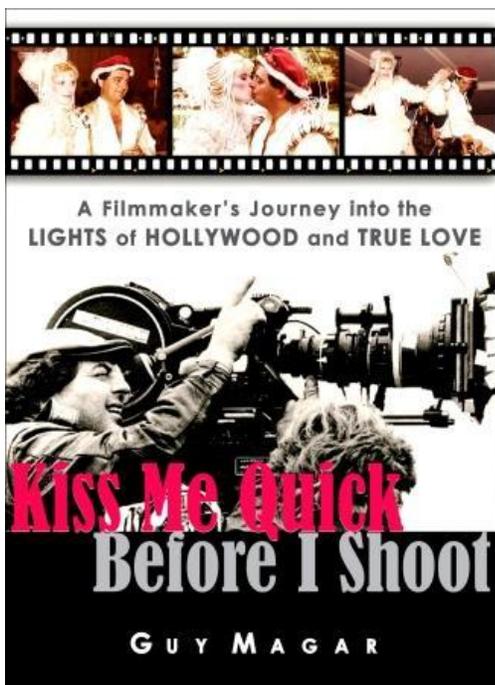


"Kiss Me Quick Before I Shoot" by Guy Magar

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Welcome to a story of Guy Magar. Who is he? He is a Hollywood Director, with directing credits ranging from *The A-Team* television show to directing the feature *Children of the Corn: Revelation* among many others. He is an American Immigrant who worked hard to make his dream career become reality, once he figured out what that dream career was. He is a man totally devoted to and completely in love with his beautiful wife of over 26 years.



This book is almost two separate stories, combined in the life of Guy Magar. The first is his love of film making. He wasn't sure about making it his life's work right away, and has some funny college stories to share about the path he took to find films as a career. The second story is his love for his wife Jacqui. In fact, a good part of this book could be called a tribute to her. They have a love story fit for a movie... complete with their team-effort battle to conquer her leukemia. The two stories are kept separate, but you can see how each influences the other.

Guy has a great personality that shines through in his writing. He is funny, casual most of the time, but very passionate when it is warranted. Yes, there is a lot of name-dropping through out the book.... but you know what? He has earned it. He has some great anecdotes - nearly decapitating a young Drew Barrymore, working with Matt LeBlanc just before he auditioned for *Friends*, and how his first producer ended up being a hit man for the mob. Yes, he has led an interesting life. I was blown away by how honestly and earnestly he discusses meeting and falling in love with his wife. His devotion to her - particularly through her illness - can't be beat. Also, they had probably the most unique wedding I have ever heard about!

So why do you want to read this book? I wasn't sure myself - a memoir by someone I'm not completely familiar with? I took a chance, and I'm glad I did. I enjoy memoirs, and this one is an easy read filled with stories and information presented in an interesting and often humorous manner. One thing is clear though

- if you are thinking about working in the TV or movie business in any capacity - you want to read this book. Guy has plenty of advice for those of you thinking about making movies - not just for aspiring directors either. I learned a lot about the entire process - from prep work involved to the post-production work after filming.... as well as shopping for distribution. I knew there had to be a lot to it, but there was so much I couldn't even imagine before this book. And this is just scratching the surface.... But you would also like this book if you enjoy real life true love stories. A great deal of their love story is also her battle against leukemia... and that was pretty eye-opening as well. Part of her treatment included being included in a clinical trial for a transplant at the City of Hope facility outside Los Angeles. In fact, part of the proceeds from this book are going to that facility to help with all the cutting edge medical research they do.

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