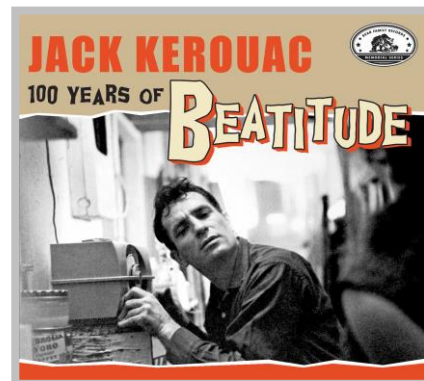


BEAR FAMILY RECORDS



PRODUCTINFO (CD) February 4, 2022

Artist **Various Artists**
Title **Bear Family Records Memorial Series: Jack Kerouac
100 Years of Beatitude**
Label **Bear Family Productions**
Catalog no. **BCD17653** Price code: AR
EAN-Code **5397102176531**
Format **2-CD (Digisleeve) with 36-page booklet**
Genre **Rock 'n' Roll, Pop, Jazz**
No. of tracks **52** approx. 150:00 min.
Release date **February 4, 2022**



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- **Bear Family Records® tribute to Jack Kerouac on the occasion of his 100th birthday in March 2022. Jack Kerouac, who along with Allen Ginsberg and William S. Burroughs formed the core cell of the Beat Generation.**
- **The beatniks, as representatives of pop literature, listened to a wide range of specific styles of music; we have compiled 52 songs and historical audio documents from 1946 to 1963, from the core of the beatnik era.**
- **Be Bop Jazz as the favorite music of the Beat Generation is featured with Chet Baker, Dizzy Gillespie, Charlie Parker and others, as well as 'Word Jazz', the combination of jazz and beatnik poetry, such as by Oscar Brown, Jr., Don Morrow and of course Jack Kerouac himself with Steve Allen!**
- **Contemporary pop music and rock 'n' roll around the beatnik subject are also represented, including satirical novelty numbers.**
- **Featuring Big Jay McNeely, Babs Gonzales and others, rhythm 'n' blues is essential as a bridge between beatnik jazz and rock 'n' roll!**
- **Historical sound documents, such as a Jack Kerouac reading, an interview, or the Allen Ginsberg recitation, round out the sound picture!**
- **Two readings from the movie 'High School Confidential', which appeared on an MGM single in 1958, are here on CD for the first time!**
- **And sounds from the 1959 film 'The Beat Generation'!**
- **The colorful 36-page booklet contains rare photos and memorabilia as well as the history of the Beat Generation and its music, written by a connoisseur of the Beatnik scene, Roland Heinrich Rumtreiber!**

Jack Kerouac

On March 12, 2022, Jack Kerouac would have celebrated his 100th birthday, reason enough to remember him and his companions with a unique compilation! Kerouac is, together with Allen Ginsberg and William S. Burroughs the nucleus of the Beat Generation, the Beatniks, who from the late 1940s, across the Fifties, until the mid-Sixties acted mainly in California. Their type of pop literature was revolutionary at the time, like rock'n'roll in music. This compilation offers a great selection of unique recordings on this double CD.

The Beat Generation

A lot of rare recordings, some for the first time on CD! Including both sides of an MGM single, which was released for the movie 'High School Confidential', in which among others Jerry Lee Lewis participated. The title song of the film 'The Beat Generation' by Louis Armstrong is here, as is the version by Mamie Van Doren not used in the film. With artists such as Chet Baker, Ken Nordine, Dizzy Gillespie, Kenny Clarke, Slim Gaillard and Charlie Parker, beatnik jazz is well represented, while Perry Como, Edd Byrnes, Barbara Evans and others cover the pop/easy listening area. With Louis Nye, drummer Jimmy Van Eaton, Patsy Raye & The Beatniks and others, the dose of rock'n'roll is also guaranteed. That

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the Beatnik wave also reached Europe which is proven by the British recordings of John Barry and Adam Faith for the film 'Beat Girl'. However, the music industry of the time tried to make fun of the Beat Generation with countless novelty recordings. With Bob McFadden & Dor, Johnny Beeman, Joe Hall & The Corvettes and others, we have integrated the best recordings. Bridging the gap between be bop/beatnik jazz to rock 'n' roll is rhythm & blues by Big Jay McNeely, Paul Gayten, Babs Gonzales and others. There are also examples of beatnik poetry on historic audio documents, such as readings by Jack Kerouac and Allen Ginsberg, TV recordings by Carl Sandburg, Ben Hecht and Kerouac, and the combination of poetry and music, 'word jazz', such as by Don Morrow, Ken Nordine, Shel Silverstein, Lenny Bruce and Jack Kerouac with Steve Allen on piano!

The 2-CD digisleeve includes a 36-page color booklet with many rare photos and nostalgic illustrations, as well as an accompanying text written by Roland Heinrich Runtreiber!

TRACKLISTING:

CD 1:

Don Morrow: Kerouazy **Jack Kerouac:** San Francisco Scene (The Beat Generation) **Bob McFadden & Dor:** The Beat Generation
Louis Armstrong & His All-Stars: The Beat Generation **Chet Baker Quintet:** A Night On Bop Mountain **Oscar Brown, Jr.:** But I Was Cool
Jack Kerouac & Steve Allen (Piano): Readings From 'On The Road' and 'Visions Of Cody' (T. V. Broadcast) **Paul Gayten:** Beatnik Beat
Perry Como: Like Young **Edd Byrnes & Friend (Joanie Sommers):** Like I Love You **John Drew Barrymore:** Christopher Columbus Digs
The Jive **Kenny Clarke & His 52nd Street Boys:** Oop-Bop Sh-Bam **Ken Nordine:** Reaching Into In **Slim Gaillard & His Middle**
Europeans: Yip Roc Heresy **Johnny Beeman:** Laffin' Beatnik **Dizzy Gillespie & His Orchestra:** Oop-Pop-A-Da **Bing Day:** Mama's
Place **Mamie Van Doren:** The Beat Generation **Paul Evans:** Beat Generation **Louis Nye:** Teenage Beatnik **The Bee Hives:**
Beatnik Baby **Barbara Evans:** Beatnik Daddy **Jimmy Van Eaton:** Beat-Nik **Carl Sandburg:** On Beatniks (T. V. Broadcast)
Charlie Parker Quartet: Cosmic Rays **Charlie Ventura & His Orchestra:** Ha **Patsy Raye & The Beatniks:** Beatnik's Wish
Three Bips & A Bop feat. Babs Gonzales: Professor Bop **Babs Gonzales:** Manhattan Fable **Ken Nordine & The Fred Katz Group:**
Hunger Is From

CD 2:

Big Jay McNeely: Real Crazy Cool **The John Barry Seven:** Beat Girl Main Title **The John Barry Seven:** Beat For Beatniks
Adam Faith & The John Barry Seven: The Beat Girl Song **Edd Byrnes:** Cookie's Mad Pad **Huey 'Piano' Smith & His Clowns:** Beatnik
Blues **Lambert, Hendricks & Ross:** Twisted **Jack Kerouac & Steve Allen (Piano):** October In The Railroad Earth **King Pleasure:**
Parker's Mood **The Champs:** Beatnik **Bobby Summers:** Pad **Don Morrow:** Like Rumpelstiltskin **Joe Hall & The Corvettes:**
Bongo Beating Beatnik **Phillipa Fallon:** High School Drag **The Royal Jokers:** Beatnik **The Untouchables:** Benny The Beatnik
The Beats: Beatnik Bounce -part I **Ben Hecht:** Interview with Jack Kerouac (T. V. Broadcast) **Shel Silverstein:** Have Another Espresso
Lenny Bruce: Psychopathia Sexualis **Rune Overman:** Beatnik Walk **Allen Ginsberg:** America

ALSO AVAILABLE:

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Bear Family Records Memorial Series:
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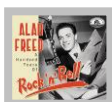
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Bear Family Records Memorial Series:
Alan Freed – A Hundred Years Of Rock 'n' Roll



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Destination Lonely Street
32 Tearjerkers For My Shadow, My Echo And Me



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Various Artists:

Destination Forbidden Planet
37 Outer Space Shock Treatments



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Various Artists:

Destination Moon
50 Years - First Man On The Moon



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