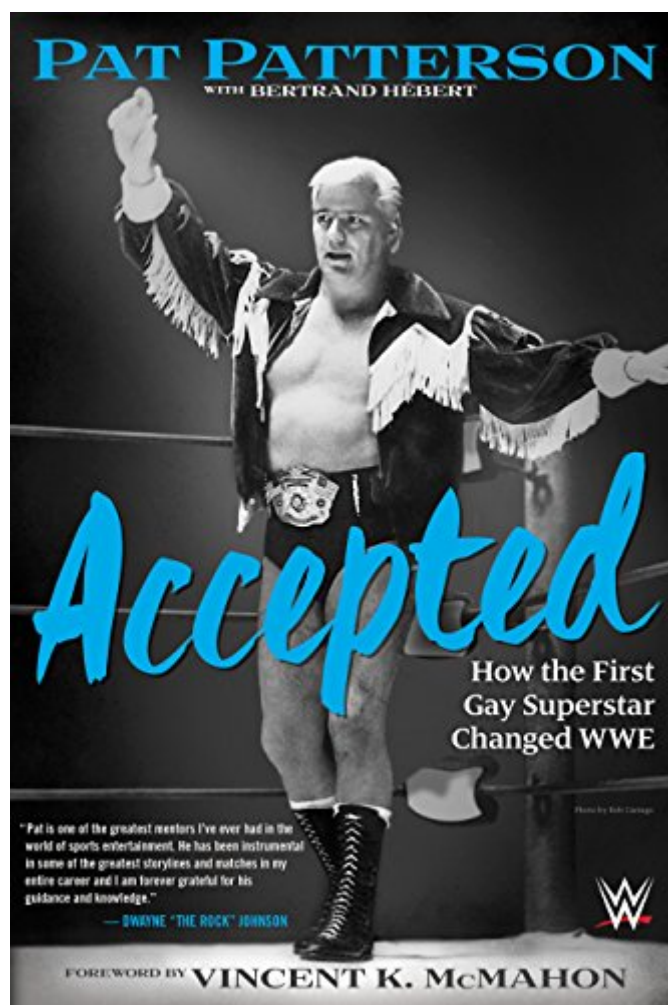


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## Synopsis

Pat is one of the greatest mentors I’ve ever had in the world of sports-entertainment. • Dwayne “The Rock” Johnson When Pat Patterson was 17 years old, he was asked to leave his home after telling his parents he was in love . . . with a man. Moving from Montreal to the United States in the 1960s, barely knowing a word of English, he was determined to succeed in the squared circle. Back when homophobia was widespread, Pat lived in the super-macho world of pro wrestling. In this fascinating and revealing memoir of revolutionary talent, pioneer, and creative savant Patterson recalls the trials and tribulations of climbing to the upper ranks of sports-entertainment • as a performer and, later, as a backstage creative force. Many in the WWE Universe know Pat Patterson as a ring legend, the prestigious first holder of WWE’s Intercontinental Championship, a WWE Hall of Famer, and one of Vince McMahon’s “stooges” during the Attitude Era. But Patterson is no stooge. He has long been one of Vince McMahon’s trusted advisors. His impact and importance to the nascent stages of WWE are nearly comparable to that of the Chairman himself. Still active in WWE today, Pat delivers his no-holds-barred story of going from unknown to WWE luminary.

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This book is a great synopsis of one of the greatest workers of yesteryear! His love for his friend Louie completely shines through in this book, and you can feel the sincere affection he held for this man. I wish he would have spoken more about teaming with Ray Stevens, but that's my own personal preference. As an openly gay professional wrestler myself, I thoroughly enjoyed this book!

Really a great book and enjoy the informal writing style.

I chose this rating because I really enjoyed reading about the life and career of such a legend. It's really something to read about the origins of people you only know from a stage presence.

Amazing read. Pat Patterson has had an incredible life, and has had an extremely long career in one of the most perceived 'macho' sports in history, all whilst being gay... And the best thing, this was never an issue with the people he worked with. They all absolutely loved and respected this great man.

Loved this book! Great to read about an individual, their life, their dreams, hopes and journey. Loved that this book wasn't about all the victories. It is presented as if you were having a one on one conversation with Pat. I'm thrilled he took the time to write a book.

Loved everything from his childhood to his glory days to his influence on the WWE . Well worth the read. Thank you Mr Paterson

This is the book I've waited 20 years for. Pat Paterson's life was a celebrated secret among wrestlers and wrestling fans for years and he FINALLY had his say. I'd love to see him do an Advocate interview to dive deeper into his worldview.

Pat Patterson long and storied history in professional wrestling is thought compelling from beginning to end. The stories range from hilarious to tragic. Hearing about his harsh upbringing makes me

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