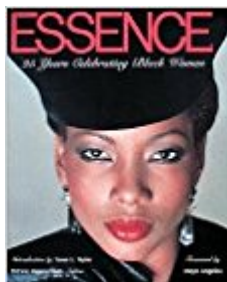


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# Essence : 25 Years Of Celebrating Black Women



## Synopsis

In 1970, Essence magazine was founded for African-American women to address a range of lifestyle issues - family, careers, personal relationships, health, education, politics and pride. This book surveys 25 years of change as reflected in the magazine, featuring photographs of famous Black women.

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The celebration of black womanhood that began in 1970 when five black men--Gordon Parks, Jonathan Blount, Clarence O. Smith, Ed Lewis, and Cecil Hollingsworth--began publishing Essence is an occasion commemorated by this anniversary publication. Essence is the magazine that recognizes and discusses issues from an African American woman's perspective. Over the years, famous black women have been interviewed, photographed, and showcased in the magazine. Each issue has featured discussions on topics, from motherhood to mutual funds, that transcend gender and race. This volume includes more than 200 photographs and contributions from celebrated poets, writers, and scholars. Flipping through the rich history of the magazine, readers can discern a clear view of the evolution of black womanhood and appreciate the celebration of that viewpoint. The photography is arresting; the women are captured at their best. In most instances the camera appears to be in love with its subject. With a foreword by Maya Angelou and an introduction by Susan Taylor, this volume delivers the message that the first 25 years, while tremendously successful, are only the building blocks for the future of Essence. Lillian Lewis

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