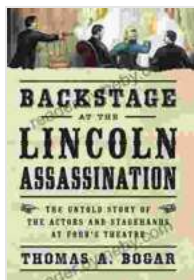


# The Untold Story of the Actors and Stagehands at Ford's Theatre: The Night Lincoln Died



**Backstage at the Lincoln Assassination: The Untold Story of the Actors and Stagehands at Ford's Theatre (Civil War Collection)** by Thomas A. Bogar

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On the evening of April 14, 1865, President Abraham Lincoln attended a performance of the play "Our American Cousin" at Ford's Theatre in Washington, D.C. Less than two hours into the performance, actor John Wilkes Booth entered the presidential box and assassinated Lincoln.

The assassination of Lincoln was a national tragedy, and it cast a long shadow over the lives of everyone who was present at Ford's Theatre that night, including the actors and stagehands.

In the years that followed the assassination, the actors and stagehands who were present at Ford's Theatre rarely spoke about their experiences.

They were afraid of being blamed for Lincoln's death, or of being associated with the assassination in any way.

However, in recent years, some of the actors and stagehands who were present at Ford's Theatre have begun to share their stories. Their accounts provide a unique and 貴重な glimpse into the events of that fateful night.

One of the actors who was present at Ford's Theatre was Harry Hawk. Hawk was a member of the chorus, and he was standing onstage when Booth entered the presidential box. Hawk recalled that he saw Booth point a gun at Lincoln and then heard a gunshot.

"I was so stunned that I couldn't move," Hawk said. "I just stood there, frozen in place."

After the gunshot, Hawk said he saw Booth leap from the presidential box and run out of the theater. Hawk and the other actors and stagehands were then Free Downloaded to leave the theater.

Another actor who was present at Ford's Theatre was Charles Forbes. Forbes was playing the role of Asa Trenchard in "Our American Cousin." Forbes recalled that he was just about to deliver his first line when he heard the gunshot.

"I looked up and saw Booth standing in the presidential box," Forbes said. "He had a gun in his hand, and he was pointing it at Lincoln."

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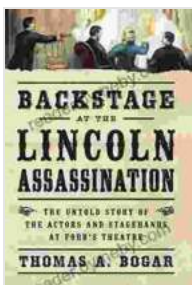
The assassination of Lincoln had a profound impact on the lives of the actors and stagehands who were present at Ford's Theatre that night. They were all traumatized by the experience, and some of them never fully recovered.

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The untold story of the actors and stagehands at Ford's Theatre is a tragic one. But it is also a story of courage and resilience. The actors and stagehands who were present at Ford's Theatre that night were traumatized by the experience, but they went on to live full and productive lives.

Their stories are a reminder that even in the darkest of times, there is hope. And that even the most traumatic experiences can be overcome.



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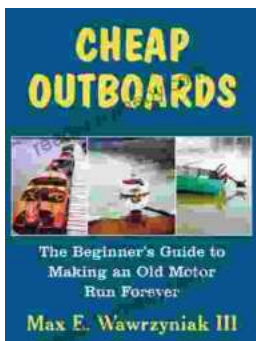
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