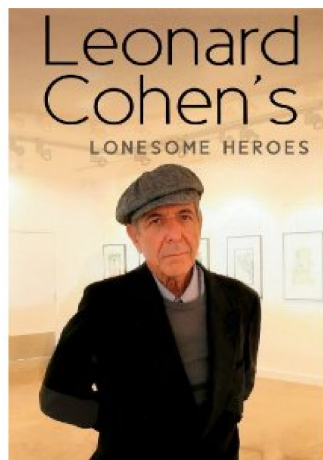


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"Leonard Cohen's Lonesome Heroes"

Cohen and Friends Speak

Amos Lassen

Leonard Cohen is one of the most prolific songwriters we have today but in order to reach this he worked long and hard. This DVD looks at the influences on Cohen and we hear how he got to be where he is today. Before he was a songwriter, Cohen was (and still is) a poet and he is heavily influenced by Federico Garcia Lorca, the bard of Spain and by Canadian poet, Irving Layton. The beat poets also influenced him as did Bob Dylan and songstress, Judy Collins and performers Hank Williams, Jacques Brel and Hank Snow. But it was not just people that influenced him; ideas also played a part of the songs he wrote. He is Jewish by birth and he has been studying Buddhism and

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we see him as a spiritual man.

This is not a music video. It is a look at both the influences on him and his life as a poet. We have a series of interviews and through them we learn a great deal about Cohen. There is very little music here and that is because this is a documentary on how Cohen became who he is. There is a great deal of information here and it is presented in the most interesting of ways. If you are a Cohen fan, this is not to be missed. If you are not a fan, you may very well become one after watching this.

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