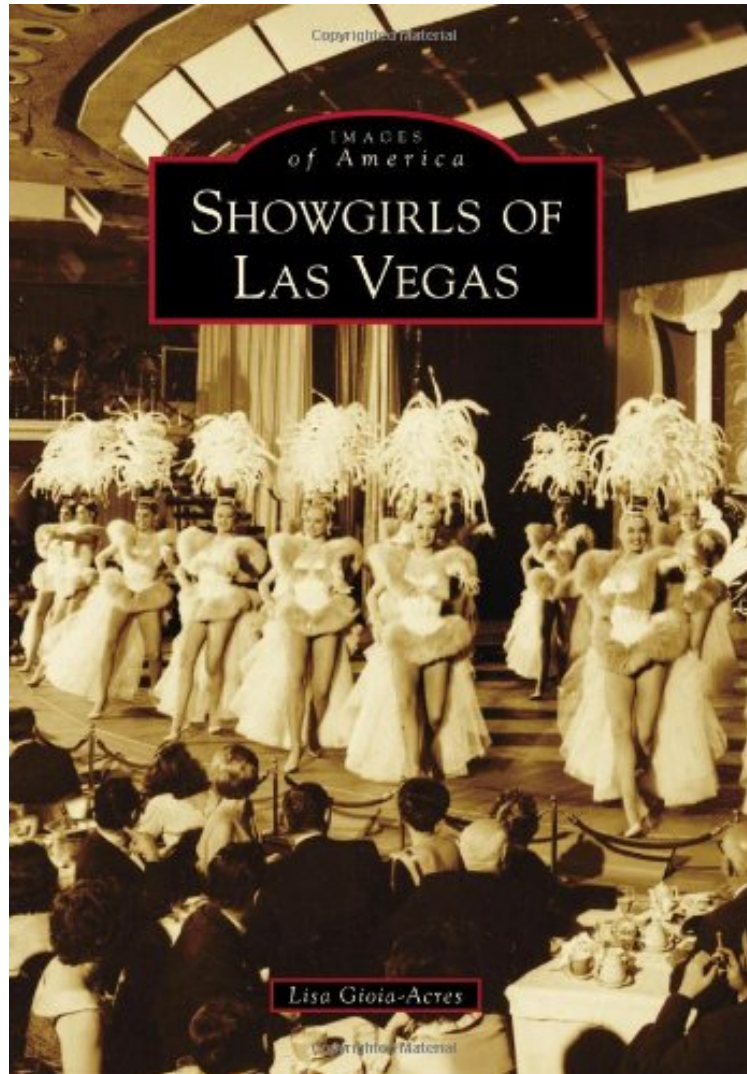


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**Lisa Gioia-Acres : Showgirls of Las Vegas (Images of America)** before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Showgirls of Las Vegas (Images of America):

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the years. the book also shows photos of many of the stars and celebrities that have graced the stages and backstages of Vegas over the years. Among the interesting images, was an employment application for a showgirl job from 1959. The book is a compilation of pictures with a very well written text. At one venue the girls were paid for six days of work, weekly, but had to work seven with room and board given in exchange for the seventh day. I very much enjoyed this book.

Little girls all over the world may hope to grow up to become a princess, but few ever realize the dream. For those who grow up to become showgirls, they go far beyond, becoming goddess-like objects of mens desire and the epitome of feminine beauty, elegance, and class. As soon as resort casinos began to dot the dusty Las Vegas landscape, major stars, extravagant show productions, and beautiful women helped promote the city to become the ultimate adult playground. In the early 1950s, when women began to dance and parade on the stages of Las Vegas, the showgirl persona evolved from the seductive burlesque-style performance art to the elegant productions modeled after those staged in France, with women dripping in furs and feathers, or in nothing more than a G-string and rhinestones. The over-the-top Las Vegas productions may have faded into obscurity, leaving but one show, Ballys Jubilee, as the longest running showgirl show on the Las Vegas Strip, but the iconic showgirl will forever represent Las Vegas in all of its glitz and glory.

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