



Ready, Steady, Go: The Smashing Rise and Giddy Fall of Swinging London

By Shawn Levy

Broadway Books. Paperback. Condition: New. 360 pages. Dimensions: 8.2in. x 5.5in. x 0.8in. Its the summer of 1966. . . The fundamental old ways: chastity, rationality, harmony, sobriety, even democracy: blasted to nothing or crumbling under siege. The city glows. It echoes. It pulses. It bleeds pastel and fuzzy, spicy, paisley and soft. This is how its always going to be: smashing clothes, brilliant music, easy sex, eternal youth, the eyes of everybody, everyones first thought, the top of the world, right here, right now: Swinging London. Shawn Levy has a genius for unearthing the secret history of popular culture. The Los Angeles Times called King of Comedy, his biography of Jerry Lewis, a model of what a celebrity bio ought to besmart, knowing, insightful, often funny, full of fascinating insiders stories, and the Boston Globe declared that Rat Pack Confidential evokes the time in question with the power of a novel, as well as James Ellroys American Tabloid and better by far than Don DeLillos Underworld. In Ready, Steady, Go! Levy captures the spirit of the sixties in all its exuberance. A portrait of London from roughly 1961 to 1969, it chronicles the explosion of creativity in art, music and fashion and...



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