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# IT'S ALL GOOD

## A John Sinclair Reader + CD

by John Sinclair

The "last of the Beatnik warrior poets" (Mick Farren) and "the hardest working poet in showbusiness" (Ben Edmonds), JOHN SINCLAIR is likewise a music journalist widely recognized as one of America's leading authorities on blues and modern jazz.

**IT'S ALL GOOD: A John Sinclair Reader** is a sampling of Sinclair's journalism and verse spanning over forty years. It includes writings on Jack Kerouac, Iggy Pop, the Art Ensemble of Chicago, John Lennon, Sun Ra, Dr John, Willie King, Irma Thomas, Walter "Wolfman" Washington, Bob "Righteous" Rudnick, Johnnie Bassett, the Mardi Gras Indians of New Orleans, the White Buffalo Prophecy and the North Mississippi Hill Country Blues.

**IT'S ALL GOOD** also illuminates Sinclair's legendary period as a cultural revolutionary and political prisoner, manager of the MC5, Chairman of the White Panther Party, producer of the Ann Arbor Blues & Jazz Festival and director of the Detroit Jazz Center. There's evidence too of Sinclair's years at WWOZ Radio in New Orleans, where he was voted the city's favorite DJ.

Selected by the author, this substantial cache of underground literature was originally published in music magazines, alternative newspapers, liner notes for obscure record labels, foreign editions and out-of-print books of poetry.

*Includes 32 iconic photographs from the 1960s & 1970s by Leni Sinclair.*

### EXCLUSIVE CD

Each copy of the book includes an exclusive thirteen track CD, which features original material performed by John Sinclair, Wayne Kramer (MC5) and others.

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John Sinclair will be reading from his book, with musical accompaniment:

- April 15–May 5, 2009 **Detroit, Chicago, Michigan**
- May 6–30, 2009 **East Coast > West Coast**

### RECENT MEDIA

- *Motor City's Burning: Detroit from Motown to the Stooges* (BBC4, 2008)
- *John Sinclair: 20 To Life* documentary (Steve Gebhardt, 2007)
- *The US vs John Lennon* (Lionsgate/BBC2, 2006)

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**Listen to John talk about IT'S ALL GOOD on BBC Radio 4:**

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Members of the Detroit Chapter of the Black Panther Party at a "Free Huey" rally, Detroit 1968. (Photo: Leni Sinclair)  
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- 02 Consequences > Blues to You  
with Wayne Kramer & the  
Blues Scholars (8:17)
- 03 Ain't Nobody's Bizness  
with Wayne Kramer & the  
Blues Scholars (3:57)
- 04 everything happens to me  
with Jeff Grand & the  
Motor City Blues Scholars (4:29)
- 05 in walked bud (5:34)
- 06 brilliant corners  
with Mark Ritsema (11:00)
- 07 Fattening Frogs For Snakes  
with the New Orleans  
Blues Scholars (7:17)
- 08 We Just Change the Beat  
with the New Orleans  
Blues Scholars (4:42)
- 09 Spiritual  
with Marion Brown (2:27)
- 10 monk's dream  
with Luis Resto (4:08)
- 11 My Buddy  
with Jeff Grand & the  
Blues Scholars (6:10)
- 12 Fat Boy  
with Johnny Evans & the  
Motor City Blues Scholars (6:12)
- 13 It's All Good  
with Langefrans & Baas B (4:39)

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