



Van Johnson's Hollywood

A Family Album

Schuyler Johnson

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- A rare view of Hollywood's Golden Age as seen through the private family album of MGM's top box office draw in the 1940s, Van Johnson
- A must-have for fans of Hollywood's golden age of film, theatre and television
- Candid images of some of the biggest stars off screen
- Filled with anecdotes of life in Hollywood

In 1947 and 1948, Van Johnson was MGM's top male box office draw. "*On screen he was the Pied Piper; Elizabeth Taylor's lover, he was a war pilot with Spencer Tracy,*" writes his friend and decorator Carleton Varney in the introduction for *Van Johnson's Hollywood: A Family Album*. Along the way, his wife, Evie Wynn Johnson, an amateur shutterbug captured behind-the-scenes images of their friends some of Hollywood's most famous stars, such as Gary Cooper, Judy Garland, and Humphrey Bogart on the road, on the set, around the pool, and at their Hollywood home. She put together these casual and candid images in a family album that has never been published before. Their daughter, Schuyler adds her memories to this unique document of Hollywood's Golden Age.

Schuyler Johnson, daughter of Van and Evie Johnson, had a fascinating childhood and met many celebrities of the day. She grew up in California and has travelled extensively. Her byline has appeared in *The Mail on Sunday*. Ms. Johnson currently lives in Florida with her two Jack Russells, loves walks, movies and is an avid reader of all literature, especially horror novels.

