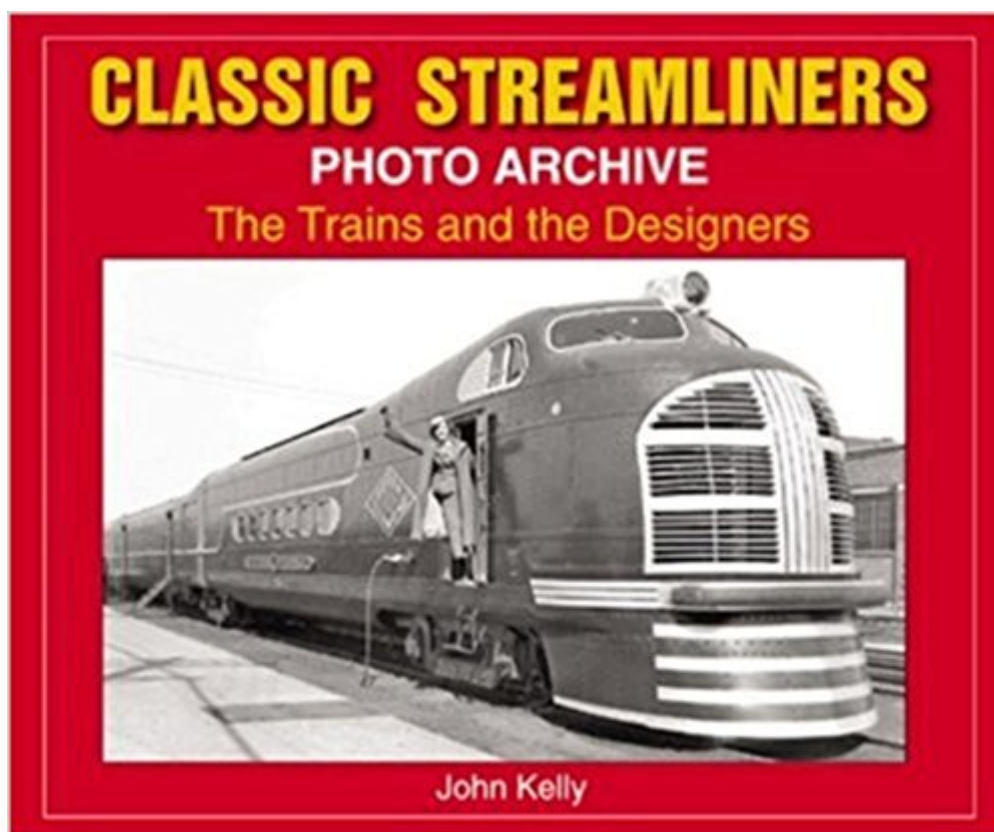


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Classic Streamliners Photo Archive: The Trains And Their Designers



Synopsis

This book features the streamliners designed by Raymond Loewy for the Pennsylvania Railroad, Henry Dreyfuss for the New York Central, Otto Kuhler for the Milwaukee Road and the B&O, and the Electro Motive Division styling team.

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John Kelly grew up in Eau Claire, Wisconsin where his father's best friend was an engineer on the Chicago & North Western. John has been collecting railroad photos, timetables and dining car menus for 20 years and has a large collection. In addition, he has written on railroad history for Trains magazine, Trains.com, Vintage Rails and Passenger Train Journal, and has authored a half dozen photographic books on vintage trains. John lives in Madison, Wisconsin where he is employed by the Wisconsin Technical College system as a computer technician.

I am not the biggest fan of Iconografix books - given their lack of color for most books, and their \$30 price tag no matter how good or bad the book is. The Classic Streamliner Photo Archive is somewhere in the middle of the iconografix book pack - interesting yet not groundbreaking for the subject. There have been numerous streamliner books published over the years, some of them coffee table genre, some for the hard-core railfan. Again, this book falls somewhere in between. There are some very interesting photos in this book - some of which I have not seen

before. Many others are run-of-the mill, and are not much different than could be found in other books. What makes this book different, however, is that it is divided among designers of the streamliner trains. Lowey, Kuhler and the EMD Styling Group, to just name some of them, are all profiled here exhibiting their best work. In addition to the photos of the trains and their designers, there are reproductions of advertisements and other nostalgic documentation. The book's timeline starts in the 30's and ends with the Amtrak takeover of the Santa Fe Superchief. If you are a collector of streamliner books, then it could be an interesting addition to your collection. But it won't be the most outstanding of your plethora of publications on the subject.

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