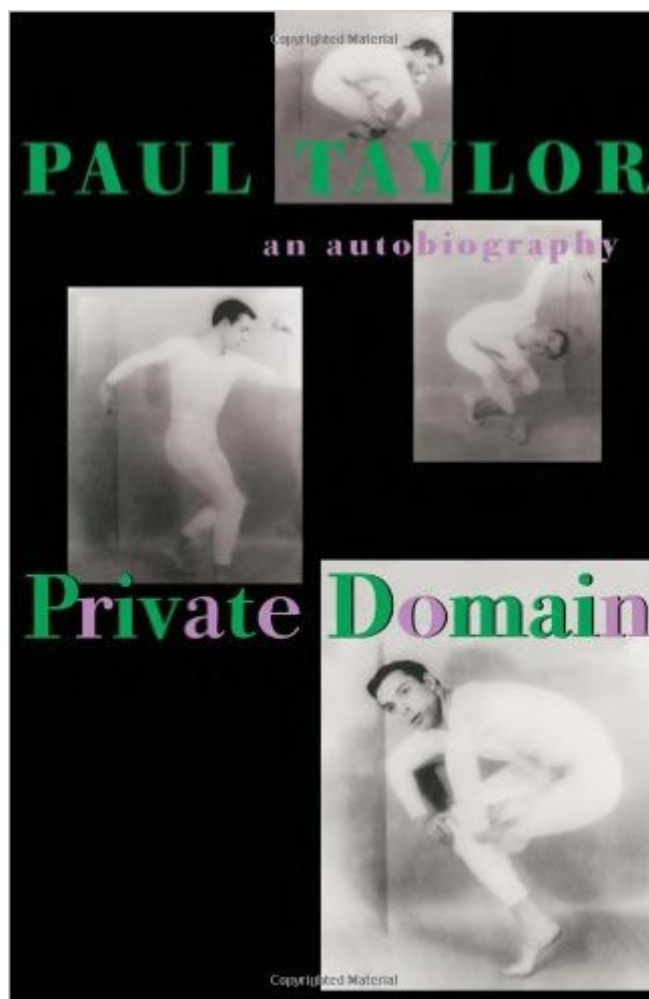


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Synopsis

Taylor explores aspects of himself that have affected his work. He delves into the creation of *Aureole* and *From Sea to Shining Sea*, from their initial inception to the ways in which specific dancers influenced the choreography, including such notables as Pina Bausch, Laura Dean, David Parsons, Twyla Tharp, Dan Wagoner, Senta Driver—all of whom went on to form their own companies—and others—Bettie de Jong, Nicholas Gunn, and Carolyn Adams—who remained as much a part of the Taylor style as the choreography itself. Taylor writes with sincerity, wit, and charm of his associations with Martha Graham, Merce Cunningham, Jerome Robbins, Anthony Tudor, George Balanchine, and many others.

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It's good to see this new reprint of Paul Taylor's great memoir on sale. It would be a tragedy if this magnificent book were to become unavailable. In many ways this book is like a great Taylor dance. Filled with light and shade, humor and sadness, affirmation and mockery. There is also a sense that much has been only hinted at. But whatever might be missing, there is great joy in what is present. This is the story of Paul Taylor's life, his work, his fiends, his creative passions. It is well-written and understated, and filled with delicious stories and wonderful surprises. Probably most people who love his work have read it already. But this book is so good, that a knowledge of his work is not really necessary to appreciate it. It's a glorious look into a wonderful creative mind, and never dull.

Paul Taylor is a master of choreography. Now in his 70s, he is still creating dazzling and original modern dancepieces, which are seen and applauded around the world. To read his autobiography, and discover that he is as talented a writer as he is a dancemaster, is a revelation. What next, Paul - an original full-orchestra symphony or two?

Paul Taylor is a gifted and unique story teller, drawing an interesting line between fact and fantasy. He keeps the reader walking that line from beginning to end. Certainly his words are another form for his dance. He gives the reader a very personal and yet deep down a very universal way of feeling your life.

Paul Taylor book was very interesting. You learn a lot and it made you laugh. I recommend this book to all. Thank You!!!

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