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From Publishers Weekly

Raised to stardom by Andy Warhol, Edie Sedgwick embodied art, drugs and fashion in '60s New York. A new feature film and a documentary coming this winter, and multiple books, attest to her legacy. This candid biography by Weisman, a codirector of her film *Ciao! Manhattan*, and co-writer Painter surpasses the others, like *Edie Factory Girl* (VH1 Books, Oct.). Moving from her dysfunctional, blue-blood New England upbringing to death in the grip of addiction, the book showcases 250 images interspersed with anecdotes from stars like Bob Dylan and George Plimpton, and an audio CD of Edie's final interviews. (Nov.)

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