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#### About the Author

Jim Carroll's bestselling memoir *The Basketball Diaries* was first released in 1978 and adapted as a film in 1995. Carroll's work includes several collections of poetry as well as a second memoir, *Forces Entrees: The Downtown Diaries 1971-1973*. As the leader of The Jim Carroll Band he released three albums as well as several spoken word recordings. He died in New York City on September 11, 2009.

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