

ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Godwin Levi John — known to those who grew up with him as Mannie — was born in Grenada and raised in Trinidad and Tobago, where his voice found him before he understood what to do with it. Over five decades, that voice carried him across the Caribbean, North America, Europe, and Asia as a singer, songwriter, and entertainer, earning him a career few dare to dream of and even fewer manage to sustain.

Levi has written more than 2,000 songs, all by ear, all from memory — proof that the truest stories don't need notation to be told. He is the founder of the IslandJon brand and co-founder of IslandJon Vodka, extending his island roots into everything he builds.

Through the Eyes of Mannie is his first memoir — the story behind the songs, told at last in his own words. Levi lives in Florida, where he continues to write and pass on his experience of performing and entertaining across three continents to anyone who'll listen.