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Love Live Forgive has provided insights from artists sharing their perspectives on artistry, love, forgiveness, compassion, healing, transformation, and unity—all through the lens of their rich and varied creative lives. In many cases, these intimate reflections have given us a glimpse into the inner life of creative individuals and demonstrated how their life journeys translate into outer expression and action in the world. Ultimately, the essays challenged, inspired, and compelled us to consider how love and forgiveness can be transformative values in everyday life.

From the individual to the community, we find opportunities for positive transformation throughout the pages of this book. Reflecting on DJ and producer Moby's perspective that; "forgiveness can really only be truly meaningful with self-awareness" we are reminded that regular attention to our thoughts and actions is the first step in understanding the role of these values. Some artists, like vocalist Erakah, feel that the values themselves transcend creative intention and ground us in our daily lives: "Music is a strong tool to either heal or destroy and love STILL covers all." Reflecting on the beneficent potential of music as a change agent, Author and musician, Ted Gioia reminds us not to underestimate the power of music to change hearts and minds." Finally, Speech, poet and vocalist in Arrested Development, summarizes the hope and potential of our creative, human lives: "Art stands in the front of history as the guide towards equality, unity, truth, and higher purpose."

Whose perspective has inspired you? Consider the lessons from this book and review your responses to each chapter. Perhaps as we become more aware of the role of love, forgiveness, or compassion in our lives, heightened through our creative approaches, we may see that the ability to share and experience these values is easier. **Love Live Forgive** illuminates that we are all practitioners in the art of living. How we choose to respond to people and situations in our lives can be seen as creative decisions. In this way we are all living works of art continually improving the authentic masterpiece of our lives.