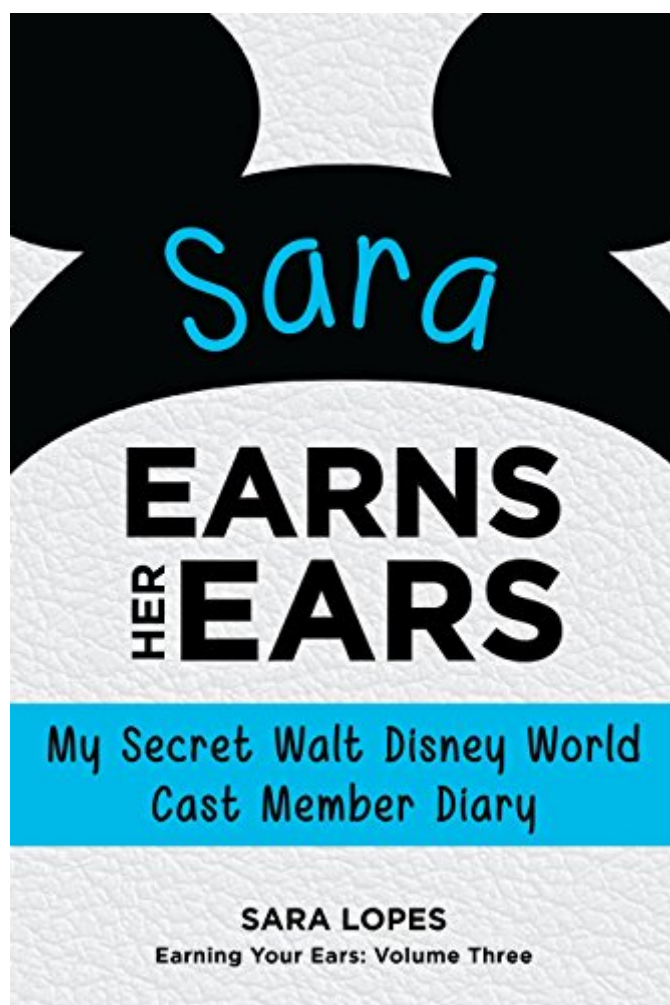


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# Sara Earns Her Ears: My Secret Walt Disney World Cast Member Diary (Earning Your Ears Book 3)



## Synopsis

FROM CALI TO THE CASTLE For California girl Sara Lopes, it wasn't enough to walk down Walt Disney World's Main Street. She wanted to live there. She got her wish, for a little while, and her secret cast member diary takes you with her from Cali to Cinderella Castle. What happens when a teenager leaves home for the first time, flies across the country, and moves into a Disney apartment with five other girls just as eager to join the Disney dream machine and learn how the magic works? In *Sara Earns Her Ears*, you'll get as close to the Disney College Program as you possibly can without enrolling in it yourself. From application to interview, orientation to training, working on the job and playing in the parks, you'll experience the magic, and sometimes the not-so-magic, from the inside looking out. Follow Sara as she: Answers Disney's interview questions perfectly, and then watches as all her friends get accepted first Endures long shifts, endless training, and battling guests at Capt. Cook's in the Polynesian Resort Participates in little-known Disney events like Dapper Day and Disneybound, and eats a lot of free pie Takes you backstage with her to cast member-only parties and events, a coronation, and the dreaded Disney inspections Shares advice, checklists, and helpful resources to get you started on your own quest to work for the Mouse The end of Sara's college program in Walt Disney World took her from one theme park to another, as she followed her dream of full-time work at Disneyland. Did she make it? It's all in her secret cast member diary. *Sara Earns Her Ears* is the third volume in the popular "Earning Your Ears" series. If you've never been in the Disney College Program, this is the next best thing!

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## Customer Reviews

As a DCP alum, I loved reading with Sara Earns Her Ears. I was curious to see how Lopes would fit an entire five month internship into one book and was not disappointed. The book was filled with stories about her average work day, playing withing the Walt Disney World Resort and central Florida, and the lifestyle of a Disney intern. Most chapters ended with advice too, which was an added bonus, much like her inclusion of life after the program. I think I was most impressed with how Lopes represents a new generation of Disney interns because of her use of social media. She discusses how her roommates were chosen through Facebook, she met others through Tumblr, and made group YouTube videos with other vloggers. This is a definite must-read for Disney College Program hopefuls and alumni!

I purchased the 3 "earns her ears" books, for what may be an unusual reason. I have a daughter interested in applying to the program and wanted to learn more about what she might be getting herself into if proceeding. Not to be able to talk her into or out of it, more to be able to better provide support and position myself for whatever might come next. I started with Amber's book. Enjoyed it, learned a lot, and saw how the same program came be so different for the same person depending on the assignment, the people, the roommates, and all the many factors. Then, a few months later, I saw the two books from Ema and Sara. So I picked up both. Here was a chance to get other perspectives. (If you have not read Amber or Ema's books, I would recommend them as well..)Sara's book was a bit different from the others. Like all 3 she is a Disney fan, yet she seemed to be more in tune with the magic. Not that she believes or follows the magic more than any of the others. She seems to clearly understand that it is the cast members that "Make" the magic. and it is that making of the magic which attracts her to the program and makes the program worthwhile. She does not get the assignment she was hoping for, and she get stuck wearing a costume she highly dislikes. For many, that would have started the program on a downbeat and it would have spiraled from there. For Sara, it didn't. She took her lemons, made lemonade, (okay - a lemon Dole Whip), and then went on to see all of the other positives of the experience. She was able allow her

experience to be more than just that job, she made it into more. She shares how others in her program were not able to do so. what a lost opportunity for them. When I swiped off to turn the last digital page, I found myself feeling wistful. It was over. I wish the book could have been longer, or more accurately, I wished the book had a sequel, so I could learn how she has managed to leverage what she has learned after returning home. She came across as an impressive young person, with traits I would admire in any young adult. Now I am in a place where I want my child to go and have this opportunity. To learn a bit more on how she can make Magic for those she meets, beyond Disney, at whatever path she follows. To make good friends, meet people from a diverse list of places and see how we are all different and yet similar. No, don't think this program is for everyone, I know several people for which i think this would have been a big mistake. But for my daughter - I'm left thinking the potential benefits outweigh the potential risks. If you are interested in the program, by all means, give this a shot. If you are interested in a light hearted autobiography of what it is like to be young and working a job you love, again, a great choice. If you just want some fun stories about Disney, read ahead. If you are looking for deep dark secrets about the Mouse... Well that's not what this book is about. Personally, I'm looking forward to the next adventure in "Earning Her Ears".

I totally enjoyed every phase of this book by Sara Lopes. She is so energetic and into Disney World and Disneyland. Here is a young lady who literally lives and breaths the Disney's philosophy of how a company should function. I think that the Disney would benefit greatly having such a lovely and caring young lady who only wants to work for them. You would loose a great employee.

The book is fresh and crisp. A breath of fresh air while being very informative. If you want to learn about the Disney College Program (DCP) while enjoying the experience this is the book for you. A great look at Disney through the eyes of an insider.

I found the book very entertaining and full of fun. It seems as though Sara is born to be an important part of the Walt Disney family.

Awesome book! You could feel the Disney magic throughout the book.

Great product arrived fast and in great condition. Thank You!

I really enjoyed Sara's story. She is a lovely, caring person and this shows in her story. Lovely writing style and interesting stories of her time with Disney. I wish her all the best.

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