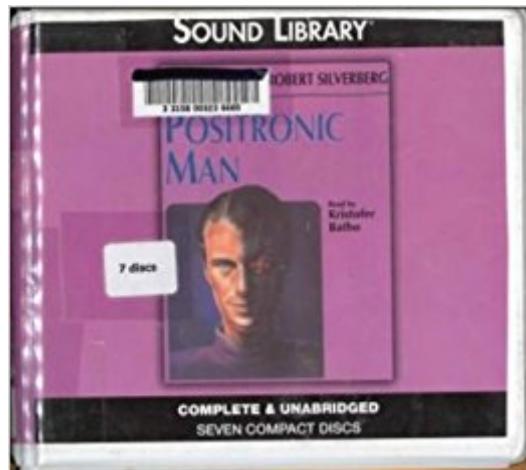


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# The Positronic Man



## **Synopsis**

Andrew Martin, a standard housekeeping robot, allows the unique capabilities of his experimental brain to lead him to become an artist, businessman, and crusader, in a novel based on Asimov's short story, "'The Bicentennial Man.'" 35,000 first printing. \$35,000 ad/promo. --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

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My collection of Asimov books includes every novel I know about and most of his short stories. So for me, this was a good buy. It is quite different from most of his robot books and stories. I enjoyed reading it but will not read it again.

I love all Isaac Asimov Science Fiction Mostly the Robot Novels if you have not read them get a copy and start with the Caves of Steel read them in order

I love this book, and I believe it's the best version of the story (better than Bicentennial Man, which it's based on). Hard to find, but well worth it.

Great Book

what a great book! movie was as good, but so nice to read it the way it was written - loved this book

The book was shipped fast, it was in perfect condition, it was exactly what i wanted and it was exactly what i got, if i had to purchase it again i would.

I purchased this book for my husband who was elated it arrived 2 weeks ahead of the projected delivery date. Because this book was shipping from the UK I figured it would arrive much later, if at all. I feel guilty for harboring such doubt. The fact that they had this book was exceptional and it was in better condition than the "good condition" stated. Should I need to purchase something from this seller again I will not hesitate. Now for the book - my husband finished reading the FOUNDATION series so this book has become a wonderful continuation to that series theme.

Beyond the fantastic tale Asimov and Silverberg wove, there are deep underlying philosophical issues addressed in this book, but not in a boring way. The story just causes you to think after you

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