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# Electrifying Time: Telechron And G. E. Clocks 1925-55





## **Synopsis**

Over 700 Telechron and General Electric clocks produced between 1925 and 1955 are chronicled. Repair and restoration tips are given, including an astonishing method for breathing new life into dead rotors. Designers are included, and celebrities are pictured in early advertisements.

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If you own one or more Telechron or G.E. clocks, then this is absolutely a must-have book. If you are simply a fan of classic electric clocks, Art Deco, or early-mid twentieth century industrial design. then this book still might be of interest. This is clock porn at its best. Linz's book is filled with color and black and white photos and illustrations of these mostly beautiful (and a few not-so) vintage clocks from 1925 to 1955, as well as descriptions, dimensions, sales figures, original price and other information for most of them. Telechron made mantel clocks, wall clocks, desk clocks, alarm clocks and pretty much any other electric clock that you can think of. They were made of stone, metal, plastic, wood, and glass in a variety of styles designed by a variety of male and female designers.

There are a lot of clocks on display in this book. While the pictures offer the glitz and glamour, the book also has a short history of Telechron, a chapter on the major designers, technical information, a pricing guide, and more. Best of all, however, is a section by Telechron guru "Pappy" on repairing and restoring Telechron clocks. This section is filled with valuable information on what to do (and not to do) when repair or restoration is needed. And with 55 to 85 year old clocks, repair or restoration eventually will be needed!Realistically, this book is targeted at Telechron collectors or owners. And if you are a Telechron collector or owner, you really should have this book. It is the single best reference book. Otherwise, I would consider this an optional book that has some interesting information about the electrical power grid, 20th century design and manufacturing, and some pretty pictures of cool Telechron clocks.

For Telechron clock enthusiasts, this book is well organized with an extensive listing of clocks made during Warren Telechron production years. Excellent pictures and documentation. For the enthusiast well worth the purchase price.

This book was recommended to me by a friend who said he thought I might find it interesting. My mother used to work for Telechron and G.E. making clocks. Now, after reading this book I have a better idea what she did all day while I was at school! If you know anyone who worked for Telechron, this book would be a great gift. I even got the courage to look at a couple of broken clocks I had lying around with the help of the repair section. I think I'm going to get one of these working again!

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This book is wonderful. It has a lot of colored photographs and is a great reference book. It is worth the money.

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and it's value. The repair tips are extremely helpfull. I also enjoyed the history of the Telecron company itself and of Henry Warren in particular, I was truly amazed at how much he contributed to our modern way of living... A must have for anyone who owns and or repairs these clocks.

This is a well done book with tons of photos and lots of literature and obscure facts on Warren Telechron. The only thing I found a little dissapointing was the clocks themselves. A few are fabulous, scarce and expensive but the majority are rather conservative and dull. Still, an excellent piece of research.

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