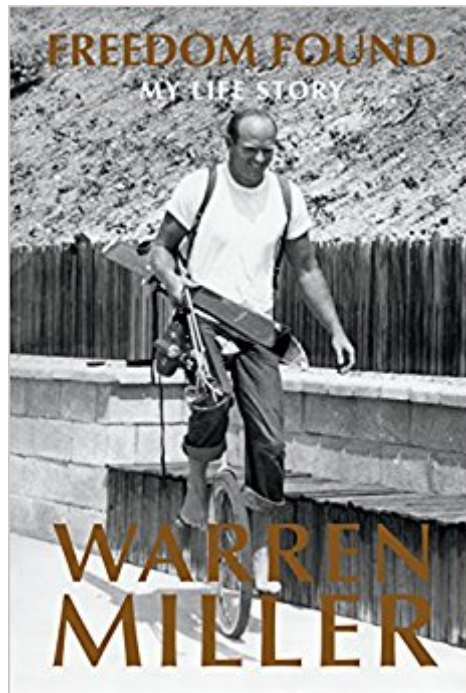




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Freedom Found: My Life Story



Synopsis

Warren Miller is known as skiing's greatest storyteller and as the godfather of action-sports filmmaking. Now, here at last, is the rest of his extraordinary life story •and what happened behind the camera is even more remarkable than what you saw on the big screen. In this soul-searching autobiography, Warren reveals the secrets of his past and the peaks and valleys he navigated in bringing the sport he loves to audiences worldwide. *Freedom Found* is a must-read for Warren's legion of fans, ski history enthusiasts, adrenaline junkies and anyone whose interest is piqued by an extraordinary 20th-century success story. This is a heartwarming and at times heart-wrenching account of an American innovator who did it his own way, understood the importance of making people laugh, and never looked back until now.

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"Inspiring. A must-read." --SKI Magazine "A wealth of reflection, detailed action, and anecdote."

--John Fry, former editor-in-chief of SKI Magazine

Warren Miller was born in Hollywood in 1924. His Depression-era childhood in a dysfunctional home motivated him to find his own freedom in the outdoors, leading to a lifelong obsession with snow, surf and adventure. He premiered his first annual ski film in 1950, and over the next five-plus decades millions of skiers and snowboarders flocked to his films, worshipping his unique sense of humor, candor and adventure. His company produced more than 500 films in all, and Warren also wrote eight books. Warren was inducted into the U.S. Ski Hall of Fame in 1978, and now lives in Big

Sky, Montana, and Orcas Island, Washington, with his wife, Laurie. Andy Bigford has spent 30-plus years in the publishing and media business. He is the former editor-in-chief and publisher of SKI Magazine and general manager of Warren Miller Entertainment. He lives in the mountains above Boulder, Colorado.

If you've seen any Warren Miller movies, or if you just love skiing, this is an interesting and well-written book. Warren Miller had a surprisingly turbulent childhood, and unlike other celebrity autobiographies, he tells of the troubles in a factual way, without whining or becoming overemotional. Even though his family members did some pretty heinous things to him, he never blames them and is much more forgiving than I would have been. The story of Mr. Miller's life is unusually compelling, and not just because he overcame the challenges of his childhood. Mr. Miller worked hard for his success and faced a number of set-backs. He persevered, and his lessons are ones from which we all can benefit. I found his story to be very inspirational. Having read his book, I am an even bigger fan of Warren Miller than ever before.

Good read! I found out a lot about Warren Miller that I didn't know. Definitely have to admire him. This book is highly recommended.

A sad, fascinating, humorous, inspiring story written by a master story-teller. I'm glad to know much more about the life of this man who provided so much joy, pleasure and entertainment over the years. Thank you, Mr. Miller, for taking the time to introduce me to the mountains that I have so grown to love over the years. Thank you also for your honest and straight-forward perspective on the joys of a simple life.

I have been a fan of Warren Miller's movies since the 1980s. I have never missed an annual movie since. The last 10 years of movies have really missed something and now I know why. Warren wasn't part of them. There are a great many stories that Warren's fans will love to hear. But the book is also a heartfelt and introspective look at Warren himself. What a life he's lead! I admire and envy the man far more than before I read the book. This is a must read book for any fan.

If you ever dreamed (even a little bit) about being a ski bum, you will enjoy this book. Even if you didn't grow up on Warren Miller movies in the community rec center you will like Warren's storytelling of a fascinating life spent travelling the world and his uncanny ability to sort of "make it

up" as he went along. The book is well written and there seems to be no end to the interesting situations that Warren found himself in. I always loved his ski movies but I had no idea that his life behind the scenes was so much more interesting than the movies.

WM is a hero. I had no idea the heartbreak this man conquered to create a mega film sports film industry without whining and saying how good he was.

Thoroughly enjoyable. I've attended a lot of Warren's films over the years, loves what he stands for, and could practically hear his voice in my ear as I was reading along. If skiing is near and dear to your heart, and you were born in the 80s or earlier, this is a must-read. What a remarkable person who's led a remarkable life.

For those of us who ski and know who or about Warren Miller this is a must read. Very enlightening. A great story of American success. I found the book hard to put down.

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