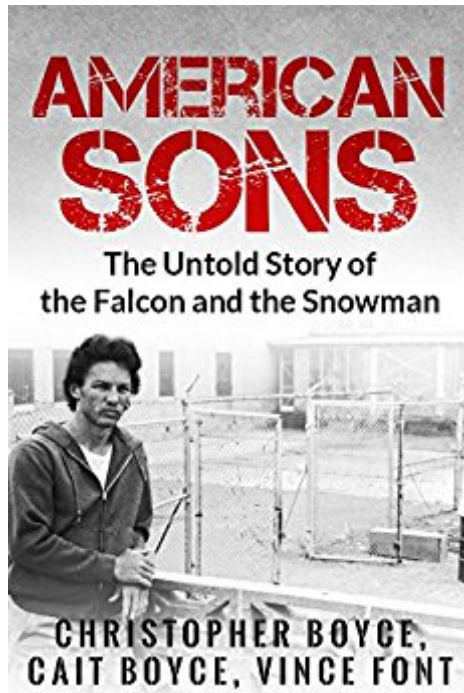


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American Sons: The Untold Story Of The Falcon And The Snowman



Synopsis

A gritty, heart-breaking true story of three people who overcame insurmountable odds. This is the untold story of the Falcon and the Snowman that chronicles the subsequent events in the lives of convicted American spies Christopher Boyce and Andrew Daulton Lee. In 1977, Christopher Boyce and Andrew Daulton Lee were convicted of selling U.S. secrets to the Soviet Union. Boyce was sentenced to 40 years' imprisonment. Lee received a life sentence. The story of their crime, as told in the book and movie *The Falcon and the Snowman*, starring Sean Penn, was only the beginning of their ordeal. This book picks up where *The Falcon and the Snowman* left off, chronicling Boyce's daring 1980 prison escape and recapture. An epic crime memoir, *American Sons* recounts how two of America's youngest convicted spies survived numerous murder attempts and spent decades of their lives in solitary confinement. That was until a young, idealistic and brilliant para-legal named Cait Mills put them on the path to freedom. Diagnosed with an aggressive form of breast cancer, Mills' stoic determination to conquer her illness and continue her work was the catalyst that would ultimately transform all three of their lives. Written by Christopher Boyce, Cait Boyce and Vince Font, *American Sons: The Untold Story of the Falcon and the Snowman* takes readers on a twenty-five-year odyssey through the trials and tribulations of three individuals whose refusal to give up helped them survive the impossible. Above all, it is an inspiring story of survival and redemption, in which courage, humanity and love triumph when all hope was lost. *American Sons: The Untold Story of the Falcon and the Snowman* beautifully captures both Chris and Cait's voices and is crafted in a cinematic style which adds to the drama of this unbelievable tale. Chris and Cait Boyce both live in Oregon. Cait is a practising legal professional with over 35 years' experience. She specializes in prisoner rights, is an advocate for LGBTQ rights and is still fighting for the parole of non-violent criminal offenders. Chris remains an avid falconer and splits his time between flying his falcons, enjoying his freedom, and his house flipping business. Vince Font recently founded his own editing and publishing service located in Ogden, Utah called Get My Story Published. He has also published several short stories and one novella, and is working on his second novel. Chris, Cait and Vince remain close friends and have an official website for the book, which includes blogs and many articles about their story: www.thefalconandthesnowman.com

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Customer Reviews

As the brother of "The Snowman" I must say I was hesitant to pick up this book and read it. Having actually lived through this in a very personal way in the 1970's, I really wasn't sure what to expect. I bought the book on to read on my tablet, but somehow could not get myself to read it for over 3 months. Upon starting to read it, I thought I would read it straight through, but found myself having to stop to digest chapters or even pages at a time. Knowing Chris and,Cait, I found myself in time warps of memory. Events of years past would sweep over me in powerful waves. During Chris's 18 months on the lam, the U.S Marshals and other agencies of the government were some of my "unwelcome" best friends. I would go to Mexico often in those days, finding my belongings gone through in my hotel rooms and being photographed by men in suits while lying in the sun on isolated beaches. They came to my door often. They were dead serious. But not the brightest. My life was intertwined whether I wanted it or not.With that said, one can understand my hesitance to read more "Falcon and the Snowman." I was in no way happy with the original book or movie. The author twisted things I said and it was full of half-truths. To be honest, the truth was often much stranger. The Falcon and The Snowman: American Sons is well done. It is honest and forthright. In my

humble opinion, excellent literature. After a few chapters I allowed myself to just sit back and enjoy it. And I did enjoy it... Very much!! highly recommend this book to anyone interested in finding out what happened next in the life of Christopher Boyce and his wife, Cait. David Lee

Writer Vince Font did a brilliant job capturing the voices of Christopher and Cait Boyce...writing in a beautiful cinematic style that allows the reader to visualize the action as it unfolds. Cait's struggle with cancer amid her efforts to free Boyce and Lee are heroic. This story is more relevant than ever with Bradley Manning and Edward Snowden making headlines. But it's not a political book...it's a book about humanity, regret, struggle and love. It would be a shame not to see this book turned into the long awaited sequel to the original movie. It's a well crafted, expertly executed finale to the Christopher Boyce saga. I could not put it down.

I was engrossed from the very first chapter and found myself feeling the emotions, highs & lows throughout....never wanting it to end. I'd been following this story for decades, yet I happily discovered many things which I was unaware about, which made it all the more thrilling!! thoroughly recommend this book to everyone. I feel there is nothing better than non-fiction, that has heart & soul. Please read and enjoy!

Real life page turner - no pre-requisite book or movie required. If you're looking for some excellent food for thought, just a good, engrossing story, or to find out what ever happened to the falcon and the snowman, read this book. I knew nothing about Chris Boyce or Andrew Daulton Lee before reading this book - and I certainly never expected to enjoy getting to know a couple of convicts (through their Wonder-Woman Cait) as much as I did. There are so many lessons to be gleaned from their story- about the stupidity of youth, the strength of the human spirit, the forgiveness of family, the endurance of love. I'm done reading but am still learning ... and probably will be for some time.

I first saw the movie "the Falcon and the Snowman" when I was a senior in high school in 1985. I was so intrigued with the story that I searched out the book and read it the summer before college when i was briefly hospitalized. The story of Chris and Daulton fascinated me because I felt they could be anybody I know- upper middle class kids who in their youthful bravado get in something way over their heads. I even read the sequel book "The Flight of The Falcon" about Chris' escape. I never forgot the story and always watched the movie again anytime it was on tv throughout the

years. It was for these reasons why I was pleasantly surprised to find out there was a sequel book this year and eagerly bought the book. I loved it, but for a different reason than I thought I would. Though I loved finding out what happened to Chris and Daulton after their crimes (and it was ultimately heartbreaking because they really didn't deserve their harsh fates), Cait comes across as the most fascinating character in the book. It's nice to know that there are people like her in the world- tenacious idealists who not only actually believe in something but actually do the hard work that true idealistic action requires. It's easy to see how Chris- himself an idealist - fell in love with her. And it's fascinating that Daulton did as well. It's so ironic that these two's fates would be intertwined again in that way decades after their crimes. I also have to say that this would make a great sequel movie, but it should really focus on Cait. It would make a great role for Julianne Moore and it would be wonderful to see Timothy Hutton and Sean Penn reprise their roles!

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