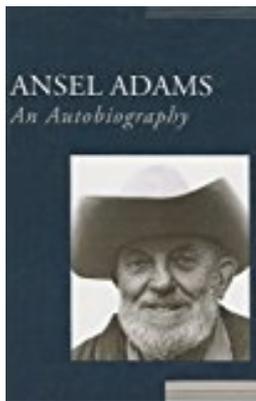


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photographer colleagues Stieglitz, Steichen, Weston, Georgia O'Keeffe, Nancy and Beaumont Newhall, Paul Strand, Dorothea Lange, Imogen Cunningham, Edwin Land and others. The 270 illustrations here include personal shots of family, friends and wilderness high jinks, as well as many Adams masterworks like "Yosemite Half-Dome" and "Moonrise, Hernandez." BOMC featured alternate. October

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From Library Journal Adams's commitment to the serious study of photography lasted from 1930 until his death in 1984. He influenced hundreds of photographers through exhibitions, books, and workshops. His work for the Sierra Club (photographic and otherwise) brought national recognition. His autobiography moves from family reminiscences to his experiences with Edward Weston, Paul Strand, Dorothea Lange, the Newhalls, Georgia O'Keeffe, Steiglitz, and Steichen, giving Adams's perspective on developments in the visual arts. It portrays a deeply felt concern with both craft and aesthetics, and a lifelong dedication to preserving the glory of the Western environment. No library with any sort of collection in photography should be without this book. Illustrations not seen. J.R. Mosler, Hackettstown P.L., N.J.

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