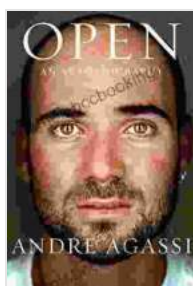


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In his candid and revealing autobiography, *Open*, Agassi tells the story of his life and career with unflinching honesty. He recounts his difficult childhood, his rise to tennis stardom, and his struggles with addiction and mental health. Agassi also provides insights into his relationships with his family, friends, and fellow players, including his long-time rival, Pete Sampras.

Open is a must-read for any fan of tennis or sports. It is a story of triumph and adversity, of addiction and recovery, and of the power of redemption.

Agassi's story is a reminder that even the most successful people can struggle with personal demons. But it is also a story of hope, and it shows that it is possible to overcome adversity and achieve great things.

Childhood and Early Career

Andre Agassi was born on April 29, 1970, in Las Vegas, Nevada. His father, Emmanuel Aghassian, was an Iranian immigrant who worked as a boxing coach. His mother, Betty, was a homemaker. Agassi has two older brothers, Philip and Rita. Agassi's parents were strict disciplinarians, and they pushed him to excel in tennis from a young age.

Agassi began playing tennis at the age of two. He quickly showed a natural talent for the game, and he was soon winning local tournaments. In 1984, at the age of 14, Agassi turned professional. He reached the semifinals of the US Open in 1988, and he won his first Grand Slam title at the French Open in 1990.

Struggles with Addiction and Mental Health

In the early 1990s, Agassi began to struggle with addiction to crystal meth. He also suffered from depression and anxiety. In 1997, Agassi hit bottom. He was ranked No. 141 in the world, and he was struggling to stay sober. Agassi entered rehab, and he eventually got his life back on track.

Agassi has been open about his struggles with addiction and mental health. He has said that he used drugs to cope with the pressures of fame and the expectations of others. Agassi has also said that he has learned to manage his mental health through therapy and medication.

Return to Tennis Stardom

After getting sober, Agassi made a remarkable comeback to tennis. He won the Australian Open in 1999, and he regained his world No. 1 ranking in 2000. Agassi continued to play until 2006, when he retired as one of the greatest players of all time.

Agassi has been inducted into the International Tennis Hall of Fame and the Las Vegas Hall of Fame. He has also been awarded the Presidential Medal of Freedom. Agassi is now a successful businessman and philanthropist. He is married to Steffi Graf, and they have two children.

Legacy

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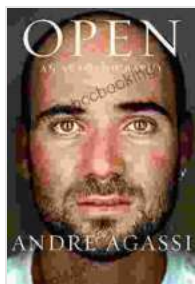
Agassi's legacy extends beyond his tennis accomplishments. He is also known for his philanthropy and his work to help others. Agassi has established the Andre Agassi Foundation for Education, which provides financial support to underserved children. Agassi is a role model for millions of people around the world, and his story continues to inspire others to overcome adversity and achieve their dreams.

Open is a candid and revealing autobiography that tells the story of one of the greatest tennis players of all time. Agassi holds nothing back as he recounts his journey from a troubled youth to a Grand Slam champion and one of the most recognizable and beloved athletes in the world. *Open* is a

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