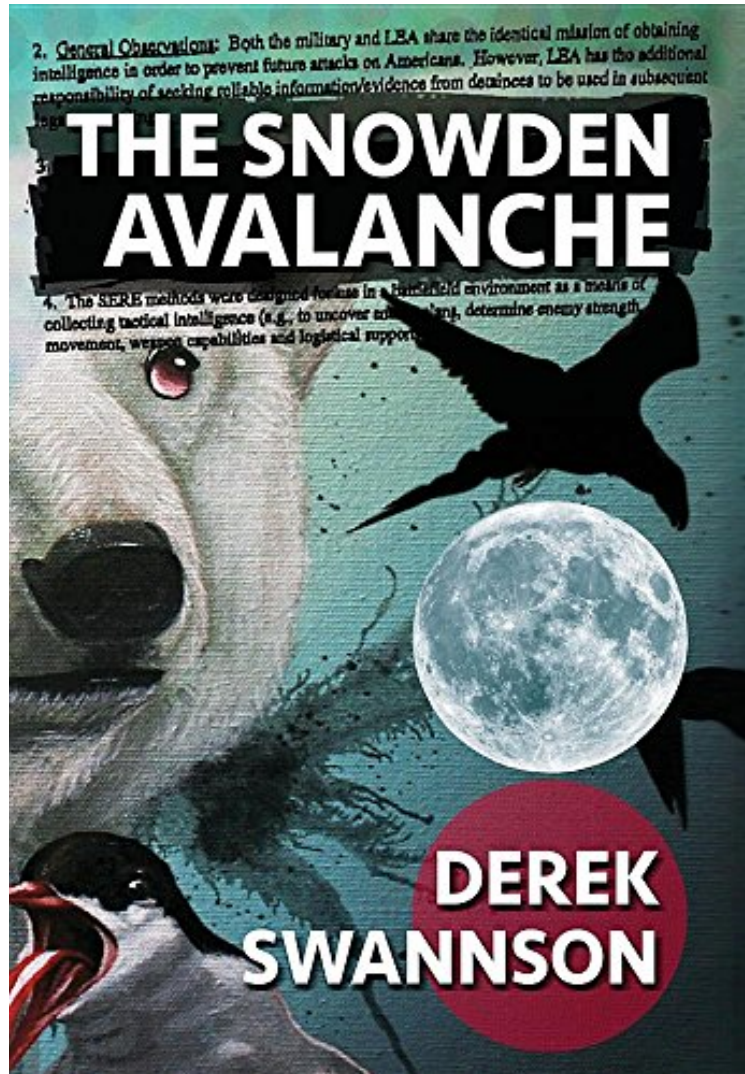


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Derek Swannson : The Snowden Avalanche before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised The Snowden Avalanche:

8 of 8 people found the following review helpful. How Can An Orwellian Nightmare Be So !@*# Funny?!?!By Kevin LintnerBecause it was written by Derek Swannson. I have long been a fan of Mr. Swannson's work. I have read his entire Crash Gordon series, Crash Gordon and the Mysteries of Kingsburg (Volume 1),Crash Gordon and the Revelations from Big Sur, and Nitt-Witt Ridge: A Big Sur Freak Fable. All were fantastical adventures that delighted me in their ability to swirl together the best of Robert Anton Wilson, Tom Robbins, and Douglas Adams and yet be so strikingly original. This time Swannson has taken inspiration from the Snowden debacle and created an alternate

reality where the Wall Street elite are dying in all kinds of mysterious ways and are desperate to have their evil deeds spun into PR gold by paying insane amounts of money to iAestheticians like Sabina Hrafnsson, the story's protagonist. As usual, I found myself laughing out loud in public places, causing people to look at me in more concerned ways than usual. Please read this book—you'll never look at iguana floggings in the same way again.³ of 3 people found the following review helpful. Now that's how a book is supposed to be! Downright Fun! By Thomas A. The Snowden Avalanche was a powerhouse thrill ride! I love to watch shows like America's Book of Secrets, Conspiracy Theory and the like. This book had all that and more! It's definitely a read for those who love sarcastic wit, some naughty talk and is just plain damn good story telling. I love a book that not only keeps my attention the entire time, but this one had more reference humor than a "Family Guy" episode! Reference humor rocks especially if you know how to pull it off, and Swannson definitely does. The Snowden Avalanche, refers to the Edward Snowden affair that got right in the face of the NSA and political elite. Where big politics and folks with more money than Forest Gump got some front page spanking in the public's eye. Which I think the average Joe on the street, welcomed with open arms. Just like in real life, Swannson has his characters scrambling for damage control. After all, the Internet is forever—right? Enter Sabina, an expert at helping uber-rich douchebags restore their fake respectability. However, it isn't long before she, herself is tangled in a web she may never be able to free herself from. Without revealing any spoilers, I will say there are a ton of great catch-phrases, and some serious laugh out loud moments! "The guy smelled like pampers and burnt toast." That is a line I will never forget! If you want a fun, exceptionally written novel, treat yourself to Derek Swannson's "The Snowden Avalanche"² of 2 people found the following review helpful. "Some PR on the DL" By KLI just finished reading this a few minutes ago. It was a nice break away from some of the romance and erotic novels I am used to reading. While there was a lot of information and detail to digest, the flow of the book and integration of current technology and interesting characters kept the book moving forward at a nice steady pace. I found myself unable to put it down. I especially felt connected to Sabina's character. "I'm thinking I should just freeze my eggs and get a dog." Her sense of humor, intelligence and sexual energy were likable. There is a great mix of personalities in this book, and entertaining dialogue. "A philosophical cowboy isn't something you can just go out and rent by the hour." I'm pretty sure my favorite line in the book was this, "Rich men, they need control," she said. "But they can't stand anyone having control over them." If that doesn't sum up a lot of the world's problem... I'm not sure what does ;) great read!

In the very near future, only the rich and the devious have privacy. The Snowden Avalanche has revealed the private transgressions of ordinary US citizens in such astonishing numbers that the whole aggrieved nation has come to the collective decision that the Puritan prudery of America's first settlers finally, and forever, has to be kicked to the curb. Manhattan-based iAesthician Sabina Hrafnsson has made a lucrative career out of buffing up the images of those who got caught in the Snowden Avalanche with their metaphorical (and sometimes literal) pants down. Aside from her sucky luck at romance, she's happy with the way things have turned out. But when Sabina agrees to do some PR work for a secretive Wall Street billionaire—"the Thomas Pynchon of high-frequency trading firm CEOs"—the complications in her life suddenly go viral. Sabina becomes entangled in a web of conspiracies so vast and bizarre that it soon feels like she's living a sequel to Orwell's 1984. Only this time Big Brother faces a more formidable foe than Winston Smith: a wily and gleefully foul-mouthed New York City blonde who looks "like that intrepid Alpine waif, Heidi, all grown up into a high-strung slut wearing see-through yoga pants from Lululemon." If Big Brother has any plans for slut-shaming, he'd better watch his f#@king back...

"SHEER JOY... a gonzo tale of insurrection, insubordination, and insolence." -Kevin Dann, author of Expect Great Things: The Life and Search of Henry David Thoreau About the Author Derek Swannson is the author of The Snowden Avalanche and the Crash Gordon trilogy. He writes his books on trains and in the Irma and Paul Milstein Division of United States History, Local History and Genealogy at the New York Public Library.