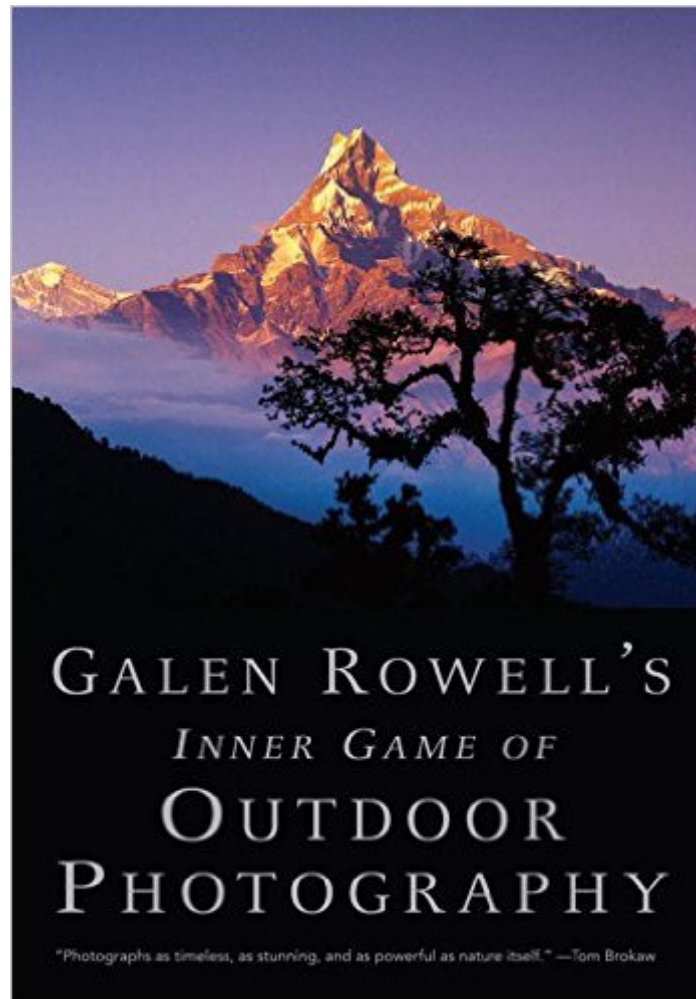


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# Galen Rowell's Inner Game Of Outdoor Photography



## Synopsis

•Tom Brokaw In this renowned guide to capturing the outdoor world on film, Galen Rowell, the master of nature and adventure photography, reveals the art, craft, and philosophy behind his world-famous images. Now available in paperback for the first time, this groundbreaking work remains both an inspired manual to taking better pictures and an inspiring journey of discovery into the creative process. In more than 140 color photographs and 66 essays, Rowell shows how he transformed the world around him into vivid, memorable works of art. Both the artist and his unique talent come alive in these pages, a tribute to the ways in which his photographs, philosophy, and vision immeasurably enrich those who view his work. 140 color photographs

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"Galen Rowell's Inner Game of Outdoor Photography" is a collection of articles written for Outdoor Photographer magazine organized into four broad categories. Interspersed between the articles are sections of photographs. Each article is cross-listed with relevant photographs, and vice-versa. This cross listing is an effective device; coming back to various photographs as I read the essays forced me to really think about them. The first section deals with "creative and cognitive processes." These range from the inner desire needed to go out and get that shot to an almost scholarly examination - complete with annotated bibliography - of the processes involved in human sight and the differences

between what people see and what film records. I found this section to be the strongest aspect of the book as well as the most useful and interesting. The second section consists mainly of technical material ranging from how to pack your gear to ways to use flash in outdoor settings. It is pitched at a higher level than an introductory photo guide, suitable for an advanced novice like myself. The third section is primarily a collection of travel stories, often only tangentially touching on photography. However, these articles provide the context in which many of the photographs in the book were taken. Arguably, context is the crux of photography. As Rowell points out, photographs are used to tell a story - though maybe not the one intended by the photographer. The last section conveys Rowell's view on the positive and negative effects that photography and outdoor travel have on the natural environment, as well as on the art of color outdoor photography vis-à-vis fine art photography. These essays are thought provoking and, like the rest of the book, very well written.

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