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Soon I was living in an abandoned garage and begging for spare change. Ripping off my family and friends meant nothing to me. I was a dreamseller, pushing the fantasy that I was a recovering addict. Anything to get my precious next fix.

This is my story of struggling to survive on the streets and battling with addiction in rehab. It's a story of trust I betrayed and trust I had to earn back. It's also the story of my friendship with MTV and *Jackass* star Bam Margera. I would have died a junkie's death if not for him. Bam convinced me to write about how my addiction destroyed my career--and nearly my life.

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As a teen, Novak joined the premiere skateboarding team and toured the world. Unfortunately, he also indulged in "recreational" drug use that led to debilitating heroin addiction and the abandonment of his career. Eventually repudiating the abject life of a junkie, he entered rehab and subsequently recovered with the help of fellow star skateboarder Bam Margera. This would be most powerful for an audience weaned on the X-Games; also a forthcoming film of the same name.—Lynne Maxwell

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Review

We all have addicts in their lives: families, friends, and coworkers, and this book has provided inspiration and insight to thousands of addicts and their loved ones worldwide. If you want to understand what addiction is really about, and if you seek to gain knowledge about this dark disease, you'll want to read Dreamseller.

"A CAUTIONARY TAIL WITH HILARIOUS DESPAIR!" - TONY HAWK

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"ENTERTAINING, SHOCKING, CRAZY, UNIMAGINABLE!" - BAM MARGERA

"I LOVE IT, BUT IT'S UNFORTUNATE THAT IT'S TRUE!" - BUCKY LASEK

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