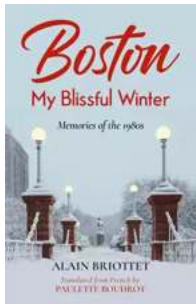


Boston My Blissful Winter Memories Of The 1980s



When the winter season arrives, cities transform into magical wonderlands filled with shimmering snow, cheerful holiday decorations, and an overall cozy atmosphere. One city that has always held a special place in my heart when it comes to winter memories is Boston.

The 1980s in Boston were particularly enchanting. I remember stepping out of my house and being greeted by a winter wonderland that seemed to have been taken straight out of a fairytale book. The crisp air, the snow-covered streets, and the warm glow of the streetlights created a magical atmosphere like no other.



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by Elvio Cipollone (Kindle Edition)

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One of my most cherished memories is ice skating on the Boston Common Frog Pond. This iconic skating rink, nestled in the heart of the city, became my personal playground during those winters. As a child, I spent countless hours gliding across the ice, feeling the wind against my face and the joy of being surrounded by fellow skaters of all ages.



Another favorite activity during those winters was exploring the city's historic neighborhoods. Boston is famous for its rich history, and in the winter, the cobblestone streets felt even more magical. I vividly remember strolling through Beacon Hill, admiring the picturesque houses adorned with wreaths and twinkling lights. The smell of freshly baked goods wafting from small local bakeries added to the charm of the scene.

As the winter holidays approached, Boston transformed into a bustling hub of festivities. The city's Christmas tree in Faneuil Hall Marketplace was a sight to behold. Towering over the crowd, adorned with thousands of sparkling lights, it radiated the true spirit of the season. The nearby Quincy Market offered a haven for shopping and indulging in delicious treats like warm apple cider and freshly roasted chestnuts.



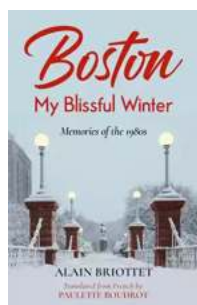
On colder days, seeking warmth and shelter, my family and I would visit the Boston Public Library. Its majestic architecture and cozy reading corners created an inviting ambiance. Spending hours immersed in books or browsing through the Art & Architecture department became a cherished pastime during those winters.

No winter in Boston would be complete without mentioning the joyful traditions of New Year's Eve. Boston Common, already drenched in winter beauty, became a gathering place for locals and visitors alike. The annual First Night celebration filled the air with excitement as live music performances, street artists, and vibrant fireworks illuminated the night sky. The anticipation and energy of the crowd were contagious, creating memories that stay with me to this day.



Looking back, it's incredible how winter in Boston during the 1980s encapsulated so much charm and warmth, despite the cold temperatures. The city truly knew how to embrace the season and create a sense of joy and togetherness. Whether it was skating on the Frog Pond, exploring the historic neighborhoods, or immersing oneself in the holiday festivities, there was a magical aura that never failed to bring a smile to my face.

Today, as I reminisce about my blissful winter memories of the 1980s, I am filled with a sense of gratitude for having experienced such a special time in a one-of-a-kind city. Boston holds a piece of my heart, wrapped up in snowflakes and framed by the glow of twinkling lights, forever reminding me of the pure magic that winter can bring.



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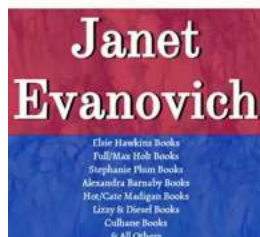


In his latest book, *Boston My Blissful Winter – Memories of the 1980s*, retired French Diplomat Alain Briottet reflects on what it was like to settle in a new place through the eyes of characters one reviewer says, “were created through the eye of a portrait painter.” The collection of 12 short stories follows a young French banker experiencing Boston for the first time as an intern at a downtown bank in the 1980s. Seeking to overcome his solitude, he visits the city’s concert halls, jazz clubs, businesses, museums, cafes, theaters, antique shops, fine restaurants and local diners.

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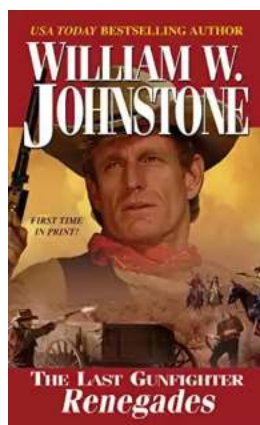
another, he visits Lowell, Massachusetts, during a year-long celebration of the city's favorite son, novelist and poet Jack Kerouac. During his travels, the narrator rubs elbows with members of Boston's upper class, academics, a struggling musician and a librarian, among others; and describes them to a tee through beautifully written prose.

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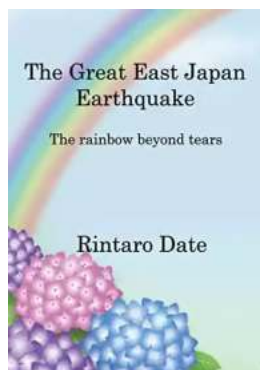
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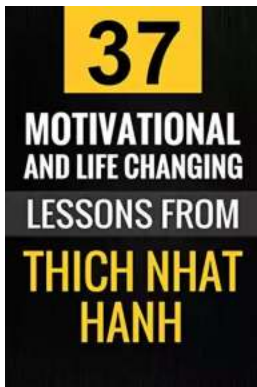
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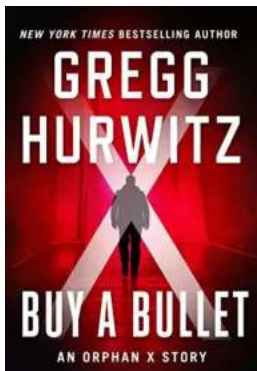
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