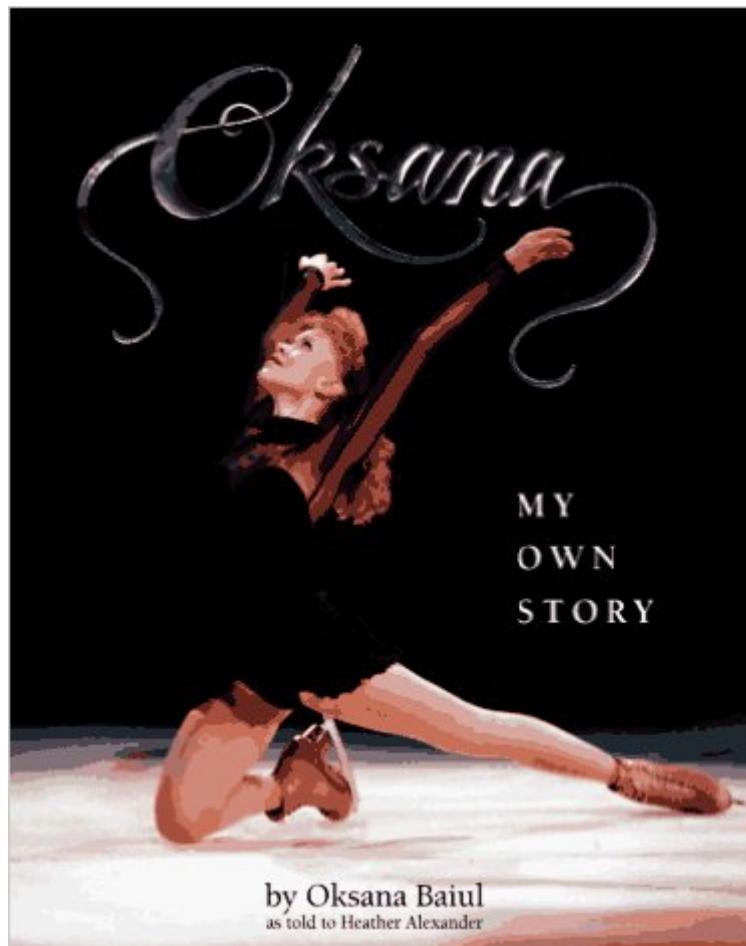


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# Oksana: My Own Story



## **Synopsis**

Full-color photos throughout Here is the real-life fairy-tale story of figure skating superstar Oksana Baiul, the sixteen-year-old Ukrainian orphan who stole the spotlight, the gold medal, and the hearts of millions at the 1994 Winter Olympics in Lillehammer, Norway. Oksana, who overcame unbelievable tragedies and obstacles to achieve her dream, has fans of all ages and is a true heroine and role model for young girls. Between her numerous skating show tours, competitions, and television appearances, Oksana trains in Simsbury, Connecticut for the 1998 Olympics. Told by Oksana herself and filled with exquisite photographs--many of them never before seen--Oksana: My Own Story reveals both the fantasy princess and the very real teenager to readers for the first time.Â Â

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## **Customer Reviews**

Oksana tells her story with moving earnestness, from her tragic personal losses to her triumph in Lillehammer. Everyone who watched her win the gold medal couldn't help but be touched by her performance, which was yet another triumph over adversity (she had been injured in a practice in a collision with another skater). Her from-the-heart performance gave her the much-deserved Olympic medal. Here's a glimpse into the girl behind the glitter. Figure skating fans won't want to miss this one, and it's a tale of personal triumph and determination that other young athletes would do well to emulate

This offers a glimpse into the world of a humble young Russian girl goes after the "brass ring" and wins Gold, before she fell from grace.Oksana is a poised beautiful person who skates with her heart and was an inspiration for my 4 year old daughter to get on the ice and try.

Surely a Collectible one. Oksana has been and is most of all a truly great and romantic person. Her skating on ice skill has actually no comparison. She was, is and probably will stay for long the best artistic performer in this sport that's becoming just competition and no more a form of art.

Enjoyed book a lot as have always admired her . There could have been more photos however still a great book.

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