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At The Fights : Inside the World of Professional Boxing. Howard Schatz's visually stunning athlete report presents 70 boxing champions

Howard Schatz's new book has its sight set on the boxing scene. He portrays 'current champions and key movers and shakers including promoters, managers, announcers, referees, judges and trainers.'

At The Fights is Howard's 19th book. It features a whopping 70 boxing champions – legends of past and present such as Manny Pacquiao, Andre Ward, Sergio Martinez, Bernard Hopkins, Tim Bradley and the invincible Vladimir Klitschko. He portrayed them in the studio as well as in the boxing ring.

The pictures of the boxers and their entourage alone are worth the buy. But Howard also gives us live shots directly from the scene of action. We can also see studio portraits of Muhammad Ali, Sugar Ray Leonard and Mike Tyson. And that's not all: over 50 experts also have their say!

Howard comments: 'the sports photographer is a hunter who prepares well and waits for the moment of action – I am a studio photographer, I prepare and work to make a moment, I attempt to create something that hasn't been seen before.'

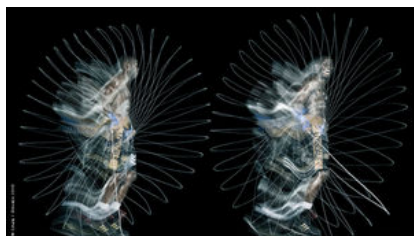
On average Howard shot about 1,000 photographs per session – which adds up to about 100,000 pictures for a book with 224 pages. Howard on boxing: 'when I was working on my book, Athlete, I saw how different boxers are from all other athletes. The courage to box is beyond anything I can understand. It is fascinating.'

The press release tells us that photography is Howard Schatz's second career choice: he worked as an internationally renowned retina specialist and clinical professor for ophthalmology at the University of California Medical Center in San Francisco for 23 years. Which only makes the book all the more interesting.

Howard explains: 'I was trained, even programmed, to abhor any human activity that damages the brain -- so the journey in the world of boxing has not been an easy one. No other athletes endure and accept what fighters accept: the risk of serious, physical injury and permanent damage caused by opponents whose careers are advanced by inducing a comatose state - often brief, sometimes irrecoverable - in their opponents. I am awed by their courage and inspired by their boundless heart.'

So this somewhat 'barbaric' sport poses no conflict for him? Schatz says: 'At The Fights humanizes and personalizes boxers. Boxers – far different from any other athlete – reveal a level of courage as well as vulnerability. My hope is that the photographs in AT THE FIGHTS capture the humanity behind the gloves.'

And even if the only common denominator of his two careers is the lens – Howard always treats his 'patient' with dignity and respect, as a doctor and photographer. Multi award-winning photographer Howard Schatz has been published in Sports Illustrated, Vanity Fair,



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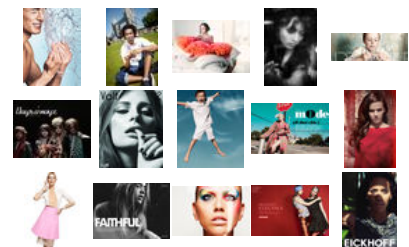
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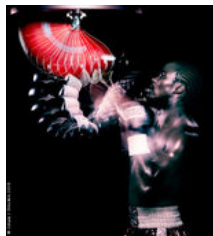
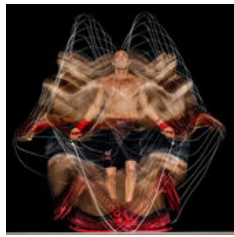
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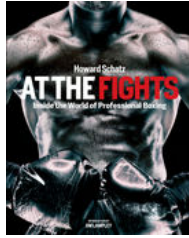
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