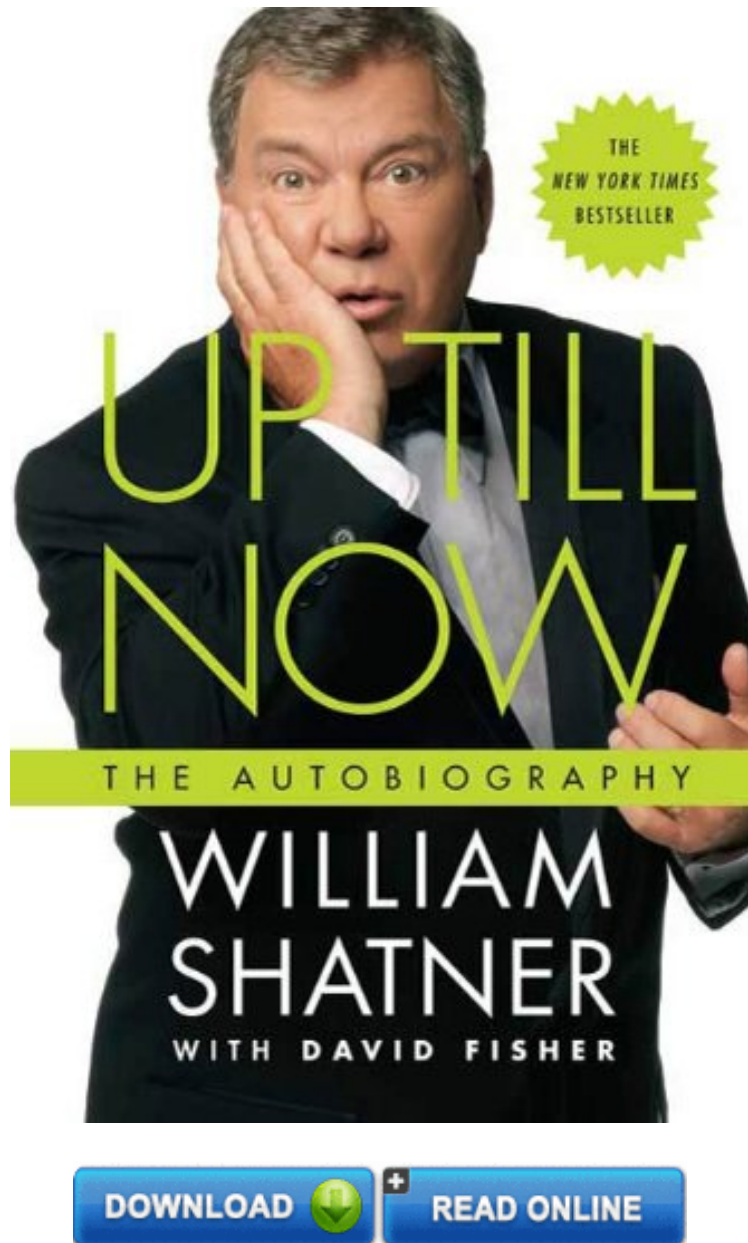


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Von William Shatner, David Fisher : Up Till Now: The Autobiography before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Up Till Now: The Autobiography:

KundenrezensionenHilfreichste Kundenrezensionen4 von 4 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Shatner Plays It "Lite" . . . with Tongue in Cheek and a WinkVon Donald MitchellUp Till Now will appeal to Shatner fans and those who are thinking about acting careers. He provides a "lite" look at what it was like where even the tearful moments are mostly played for laughs.William Shatner and David Fisher provide lots of entertaining fare that manages to explain his roles and attitude toward life. Being an actor brings an appreciation for irony: An ordinary role

may create stardom while a great role may lead to a cancellation. Mr. Shatner's long and successful career has taught him to appreciate simply being able to work and save a little money. He also humbly understands that building and maintaining a marriage while acting is even more difficult, an area where he has not excelled. The book contains lots of humorous details that were hidden to the camera at the time and the writing sparkles with bon mots like: "This was a series that spared every expense." "Call me 'Lost my life savings in uranium' Shatner. But don't call me collect!" "Where divorce is concerned, it takes two to tangle." The writing also simulates a conversation in which Shatner continually changes the subject just as you get the juicy part, such as interrupting a story about performing nude with Angie Dickinson with another story about learning how horses can help physically and emotionally handicapped kids. I assume this is Shatner's personal style. There's also a lot of peek-a-boo in the book, where an allusion is made to some secret that reveals much of the secret without getting into the whole detail such as in the book's final question (I won't say what it is, that would be a spoiler). Star Trek fans may be a little disappointed that the book doesn't revolve around the series and movies. But most of Shatner's career involved non-Enterprise appearances. The book kept me laughing throughout. Unlike most books where I race through the book, the entertainment value in this one kept me reading closely. Why didn't I rate the book a little higher? Shatner was so coy for so long that I didn't feel like he was playing consistently fair with me. Perhaps he doesn't know any more what his own feelings are compared to what he knows will entertain.

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Von Adventurer

I've read a few biographies in the recent past and this one is by far the funniest of them all. Beside the story of his remarkable career Shatner manages to switch between seriousness and a good laugh without falling into the trap of being just funny without a cause and therefore loose the connection to the idea of a biography. The whole book is very positive and even when people die Shatner somehow handles to make it sound not that worse without being disrespectful. Even if you are not a Trekkie this book is very recommendable, simply because of showing the life of an interesting man on a very entertaining way.

0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. A highly entertaining memoir

Von Chris_83

William Shatner's autobiography is both a highly entertaining and fascinating compilation of anecdotes from his experiences in showbiz and a candid description of the highs and lows in his personal life. I would highly recommend it to every Star Trek fan (of course!), but also to readers who are interested in insights into the entertainment industry from the perspective of a hard-working actor who managed to succeed for more than 50 years.

Kurzbeschreibung After almost sixty years as an actor, William Shatner has become one of the most beloved entertainers in the world. And it seems as if Shatner is everywhere. In *Up Till Now*, Shatner sits down with readers and offers the remarkable, full story of his life and explains how he got to be, well, everywhere. It was the original Star Trek series, and later its films, that made Shatner instantly recognizable, called by name---or at least by Captain Kirk's name---across the globe. But Shatner neither began nor has ended his career with that role. From the very start, he took his skills as an actor and put them to use wherever he could. He straddled the classic world of the theater and the new world of television, whether stepping in for Christopher Plummer in Shakespeare's *Henry V* or staring at "something on the wing" in a classic episode of *The Twilight Zone*. And since then, he's gone on to star in numerous successful shows, such as *T.J. Hooker*, *Rescue 911*, and *Boston Legal*. William Shatner has always been willing to take risks for his art. What other actor would star in history's first---and probably only---all-Esperanto-language film? Who else would share the screen with thousands of tarantulas, release an album called *Has Been*, or film a racially incendiary film in the Deep South during the height of the civil rights era? And who else would willingly paramotor into a field of waiting fans armed with paintball guns, all waiting for a chance to stun Captain...er, Shatner?

In this touching and very funny autobiography, William Shatner's *Up Till Now* reveals the man behind these unforgettable moments, and how he's become the worldwide star and experienced actor he is today. "It is now Bill Shatner's universe---we just live in it."---New York Daily News

From Publishers Weekly

With an acting career spanning more than five decades, Shatner has enjoyed a variety of roles and opportunities most nearly eclipsed by his roles as Capt. James T. Kirk and T.J. Hooker. But as Shatner tells it, he's had a grand time with it all. Despite chronologically jumping about, he manages to reveal the more striking moments and interesting roles in his life and career. While he does touch upon more dramatic issues (including marriage troubles, tensions among the Star Trek cast and the alcoholism and accidental death of his third wife), they seem particularly truncated in the abridgment. Listeners will enjoy Shatner's quirky speaking pattern, which he graciously mocks almost as much as his unapologetic attempts to be a sellout. At other times, Shatner almost whispers into the microphone, creating an intimate connection between himself and the listener. A St. Martin's hardcover (s, Mar. 3). (May) Copyright Reed Business Information, a division of Reed Elsevier Inc. All rights reserved.

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