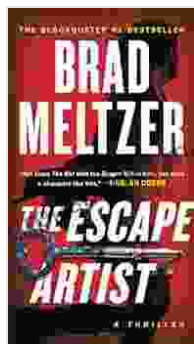


The Escape Artist: Zig and Nola - A Riveting True Crime Story of an Unlikely Duo

The Master Escape Artist

Zigmund "Zig" Zagorski was not your average criminal. He possessed an extraordinary talent for escaping confinement, earning him the moniker "The Escape Artist." His ingenuity and audacity made him a legend among inmates and law enforcement alike.

Zig's first escape occurred in 1979, from the maximum-security prison in Marion, Illinois. Using a spoon and a toothbrush, he had painstakingly carved a hole in his cell wall and slipped through it. His second escape, in 1984, was even more daring. He managed to break out of a federal prison in Atlanta, Georgia, by tunneling through a ventilation shaft.



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The Brilliant Strategist

Nola Jean Wallace was Zig's accomplice and the mastermind behind their audacious escapes. A former nurse with a keen intellect, she planned and orchestrated every detail with precision.

Nola recognized Zig's extraordinary abilities and saw an opportunity to use his talent for her own agenda. She provided him with tools, created diversions, and even smuggled a gun into prison for him. Together, they formed an unlikely alliance, driven by a shared desire for freedom.

A Love Story Behind Bars

Beyond their criminal exploits, Zig and Nola's story also involves a complex love connection. While their relationship began as a mutually beneficial arrangement, it gradually transformed into something deeper.

Their love for each other gave them strength and resilience during their countless incarcerations. They supported each other through thick and thin, becoming symbols of unyielding determination and the power of human connection in even the most challenging circumstances.

Outsiders on the Run

Zig and Nola's escapes made them national fugitives. They embarked on a perilous journey, constantly evading capture. They lived under aliases, relied on the help of accomplices, and employed ingenious disguises to stay one step ahead of the authorities.

During their time as fugitives, they robbed banks and engaged in other criminal activities to finance their escape. These actions further cemented their status as outlaws, but also drew sympathy from some who saw them as rebels fighting against an unjust system.

Captured, Escaped, Recaptured

Despite their cunning and determination, Zig and Nola's luck eventually ran out. They were captured in 1986, but not before Nola orchestrated yet another daring escape for Zig. However, their freedom was short-lived as Zig was recaptured within weeks.

Zig and Nola faced severe consequences for their actions. Zig was sentenced to life in prison, while Nola received a lengthy prison term. Their saga became a cautionary tale about the allure of freedom and the price one has to pay for defying the law.

Legacy of an Unlikely Duo

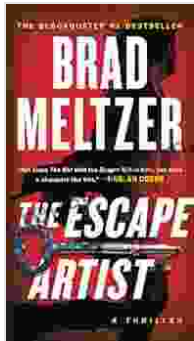
The Escape Artist: Zig and Nola is a story that continues to captivate true crime enthusiasts and criminologists to this day. Their daring escapes, their unlikely alliance, and their enduring love provide rich material for analysis and discussion.

The case of Zig and Nola has raised important questions about the psychology of crime, the effectiveness of the criminal justice system, and the nature of freedom versus confinement. Their story serves as a poignant reminder of the human capacity for both good and evil, and the complex motivations that drive individuals to commit extraordinary acts.

The Author: David Gilman

The Escape Artist: Zig and Nola is written by David Gilman, an acclaimed true crime author and investigative journalist. Gilman meticulously researched the case, drawing from interviews with Zig, Nola, law enforcement officials, and other key figures involved.

Gilman's vivid storytelling and insightful analysis bring the story of Zig and Nola to life, providing a gripping account of their audacious escapes, their unconventional relationship, and the lasting impact of their actions. The Escape Artist is a must-read for anyone fascinated by true crime, prison breaks, and the complexities of the human psyche.



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