

# Who Is Temple Grandin: The Extraordinary Life of an Autistic Advocate



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Temple Grandin is an autistic advocate, animal welfare scientist, and professor. She is best known for her work in designing humane livestock handling systems. Her work has helped to improve the lives of millions of animals and has also raised awareness of autism.

## Early Life and Education

Temple Grandin was born in Boston, Massachusetts, in 1947. She was diagnosed with autism at the age of two. Grandin's early years were challenging. She was unable to speak until she was four years old, and she had difficulty interacting with other children. However, Grandin was also a brilliant and curious child. She loved animals and spent hours observing them on her family's farm.

In 1966, Grandin enrolled at Franklin Pierce College. She majored in psychology and graduated with honors. Grandin then went on to earn a master's degree in animal science from Arizona State University. In 1989, she received a doctorate in animal science from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

## **Career**

Grandin began her career as an animal welfare scientist at the University of Arizona. In 1990, she founded the Grandin Livestock Handling Systems company. The company designs and manufactures humane livestock handling systems that are used by farmers and ranchers around the world.

In addition to her work in animal welfare, Grandin is also a vocal advocate for autism. She has written several books about her experiences with autism, and she frequently speaks at conferences and events.

## **Awards and Honors**

Grandin has received numerous awards and honors for her work. In 1999, she was named one of Time magazine's 100 Most Influential People. In 2005, she was inducted into the National Women's Hall of Fame. In 2010, she received the Presidential Medal of Freedom from President Barack Obama.

## **Legacy**

Temple Grandin is a pioneer in the fields of animal welfare and autism advocacy. Her work has helped to improve the lives of millions of animals and has also raised awareness of autism. Grandin is an inspiration to people with autism and to everyone who believes in the power of change.

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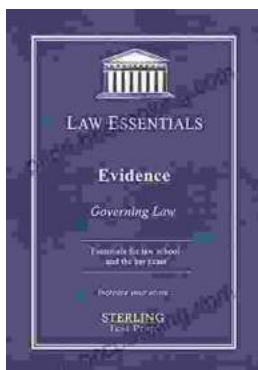
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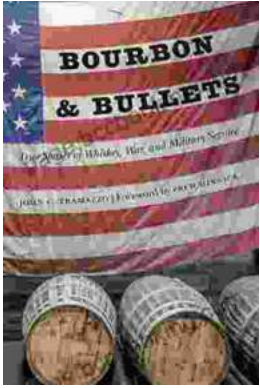
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