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James Hornfischer is the author of two military narratives, The Last Stand of the Tin Can Sailors and Ship of Ghosts: The Story of the USS Houston, FDR's Legendary Lost Cruiser, and the Epic Saga of Her Survivors. Last Stand, winner of the 2004 Samuel Eliot Morison Award for Naval Literature, was a main selection of the Book-of-the-Month Club and was recently adopted into the U.S. Navy's Professional Reading Program. Ship of Ghosts, published in 2006, was a Main Selection of the History Book Club and the Military Book Club. Hornfischer has appeared on C-SPAN's "BookTV," Fox's "War Stories with Oliver North," and The History Channel, which has aired two different documentaries based on The Last Stand of the Tin Can Sailors. As president of Hornfischer Literary Management, a literary agency based in Austin, Hornfischer represents a number of New York Times nonfiction bestsellers, including Flags of Our Fathers by James Bradley and Ron Powers, Andrew Jackson by H. W. Brands and Mark Twain by Ron Powers. Prior to becoming an agent in 1993, Hornfischer was an editor at HarperCollins in New York. He lives in Austin with his wife and their three children.

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