

Roftoppers

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The practice of scaling skyscrapers often results in security crackdowns and arrests. Many people have died or been injured when falling while rooftopting.

Katherine Rundell

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Rundell's other books include The Girl Savage (2011), released in 2014 in a slightly revised form as Cartwheeling in Thunderstorms in the United States, where it was the winner of the 2015 Boston Globe–Horn Book Award for fiction, The Wolf Wilder (2015), and The Explorer (2017), winner of the children's book prize at the 2017 Costa Book Awards. Her 2022 book Super-Infinite: The Transformations of John Donne won the Baillie Gifford Prize, making her the youngest ever winner of the award. In 2024, Rundell was named author of the year at the British Book Awards.

Angela Nikolau

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Merdeka 118

That same year, another trespassing incident occurred when Russian rooftopters Angela Nikolau and Ivan Beerkus scaled the spire of Merdeka 118, prompting - Merdeka 118, formerly known as Menara Warisan Merdeka, KL 118, and PNB 118, is a 118-storey megatall skyscraper in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. At 678.9 m (2,227 ft) tall, it is the second-tallest building and structure in the world, only behind the Burj Khalifa (Dubai, UAE), at 829.8 m (2,722 ft). Construction was controversially entirely funded by Permodalan Nasional Berhad, an investment management company owned by the Malaysian government. The structure was completed in November of 2023, celebrated its grand opening on 10 January 2024, but remains closed and under further construction as of 1 July 2025. The Park Hyatt Kuala Lumpur Hotel, located on level 75, begins operation on 7 August 2025.

The building's name, Merdeka, which means "independence" in Malay, is inspired by its proximity to Stadium Merdeka. The spire of the building was completed in December 2022, which marked its final height

of 678.9 m (2,227 ft) above ground and 700.9 m (2,300 ft) above sea level.

It is the tallest building in Malaysia—surpassing the 451.9 m (1,483 ft) Petronas Twin Towers—and in Southeast Asia, exceeding the 462 m (1,516 ft) Landmark 81. The building will also be the first in Malaysia to receive a triple platinum rating from worldwide sustainability certifications such as Green Building Index (GBI), including LEED.

Urban exploration

Fire Escape While Shooting Video". Retrieved 1 December 2022. "Meet the rooftoppers: the urban outlaws who risk everything to summit our cities". The Guardian - Urban exploration (often shortened as UE, urbex, and sometimes known as roof and tunnel hacking) is the exploration of manmade structures, usually abandoned ruins or hidden components of the manmade environment. Photography and historical interest/documentation are heavily featured in the hobby, sometimes involving trespassing onto private property. Urban exploration is also called draining (a specific form of urban exploration where storm drains or sewers are explored), urban spelunking, urban rock climbing, urban caving, building hacking, or mousing.

The activity presents various risks, including physical danger, the possibility of arrest and punishment if done illegally and/or without permission, and the risk of encountering squatters. Some activities associated with urban exploration may violate local or regional laws, certain broadly interpreted anti-terrorism laws, or can be considered trespassing or invasion of privacy. Encountering squatters, who are unauthorized occupants in abandoned or unmonitored properties, can lead to unpredictable and potentially dangerous situations.

Ivan Beerkus

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Ivan Beerkus ascended the Eiffel Tower in Paris, the Main Building of Moscow State University, Shun Hing Square in Shenzhen, China, Mercury City Tower in Moscow, Shanghai Tower in Shanghai, the CTF Financial Centre building in Guangzhou, China, Goldin Finance 117 in Tianjin, China, and the second-tallest building in the world, Merdeka 118 in Malaysia.

Waterstones

Next Door 2013 Annabel Pitcher Ketchup Clouds 2014 Katherine Rundell Rooftoppers 2015 Rob Biddulph Blown Away 2016 David Solomons My Brother is a Superhero - Waterstones Booksellers Limited, trading as Waterstones (formerly Waterstone's), is a British book retailer based in London, England, owned by the American investment group Elliott Investment Management. It operates 311 shops, mainly in the United Kingdom and other nearby countries. As of February 2014 it employed around 3,500 staff in Britain and Europe. The average Waterstones branch sells a range of approximately 30,000 individual books, as well as stationery and other related products.

Founded in 1982 by Tim Waterstone, the bookseller expanded rapidly until being sold in 1993 to WHSmith. In 1998 Waterstones was bought by a consortium of Waterstone, EMI, and Advent International. The company was taken under the umbrella of HMV, which later merged the Dillons and Ottakar's brands into the company. Following several poor sets of results for the group, HMV put the chain up for sale. In May 2011 it was announced that A&NN Capital Fund Management, owned by the Russian billionaire

businessman Alexander Mamut, had bought the chain for £53.5 million and appointed James Daunt as the managing director. The company is incorporated in England and Wales as Waterstones Booksellers Ltd, with its registered office at 203–206 Piccadilly, London (which is also the location of its flagship shop).

Waterstones also owns Hodges Figgis (the oldest bookshop in Ireland, founded in 1768), Hatchards (the oldest bookshop in Britain, founded in 1797), and Foyles (a chain of seven bookshops in England).

In April 2018 the American investment-management firm Elliott Management Corporation bought a majority stake in the company.

The bookseller has concession agreements with Paperchase and previously had ones with the coffee chains Costa Coffee and Starbucks in some shops, but since 2012 has introduced its own Café W brand. For a time, Waterstones sold e-readers, including in 2012 partnering with Amazon to sell the Amazon Kindle, but has since pulled out of this market for commercial reasons.

Waterstones administers and supports various literary awards, including the Children's Laureate award and the Waterstones Children's Book Prize.

The Night Climbers of Oxford

Cambridge according to her diary. Rundell would later publish the book *Rooftoppers*, which followed the adventures of Sophie, a girl orphaned in a shipwreck - *The Night Climbers of Oxford* is a secret society dedicated to nocturnally scaling college and town buildings in Oxford, England. The society is noted for its political activism, controversial acts, feats of climbing and parkour, as well as urban exploration. The society was likely inspired by their Cambridge counterparts, *The Night Climbers of Cambridge*. Activities conducted by the society are forbidden by the University authorities, meaning that acts are completed under the cover of darkness, to avoid detection.

Justin Casquejo

(born October 24, 1997), also known online as LiveJN, is an American rooftoper, free solo climber and stunt performer of Filipino descent. He has scaled - Justin Casquejo (born October 24, 1997), also known online as LiveJN, is an American rooftoper, free solo climber and stunt performer of Filipino descent. He has scaled several skyscrapers in Manhattan, New York City, as well as a water tower in his hometown, Weehawken, New Jersey, and has been arrested, charged, and convicted for some of his activities. Others have been brought to light through his publication on social media, such as Instagram and YouTube.

Guardian Children's Fiction Prize

Green *The Fault in Our Stars* Penguin 12 Shortlist Katherine Rundell *Rooftoppers* Faber 10 Shortlist Gillian Cross *After Tomorrow* Oxford 10 Longlist Sally - *The Guardian Children's Fiction Prize* or *Guardian Award* was a literary award that annually recognised one fiction book written for children or young adults (at least age eight) and published in the United Kingdom. It was conferred upon the author of the book by *The Guardian* newspaper, which established it in 1965 and inaugurated it in 1967. It was a lifetime award in that previous winners were not eligible. At least from 2000 the prize was £1,500. The prize was apparently discontinued after 2016, though no formal announcement appears to have been made.

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