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Michael Kodas is the Associate Director in the Center for Environmental Journalism at the University of Colorado Boulder and an award-winning photojournalist, writer and picture editor. He is the author of the bestselling book *High Crimes: The Fate of Everest in an Age of Greed*. The book was named Best Non-Fiction in USA Book News' National Best Books Awards of 2008 and was a question on the game show *Jeopardy!* (I'll take Nonfiction for \$400, Alex).

Kodas was part of a team of journalists at The Hartford Courant awarded the Pulitzer Prize for breaking news coverage in 1999. He has also received a Gold Medal from the Lowell Thomas/Society of American Travel Writers, and awards from the Pictures of the Year International competition, the Society of Professional Journalists, the National Press Photographers Association, the Society of Newspaper Design, the New England Associated Press News Executives Association, and numerous other professional organizations.

His work has appeared in the New York Times, The Los Angeles Times, The Boston Globe, Newsweek, Outside.com, OnEarth.com, MotherJones.com, GEO, Der Spiegel, The Guardian, Suddeutsche Zeitung and numerous other publications in the United States and abroad. During 21 years on the staff of The Courant Kodas completed a dozen expedition-style reporting and photographic trips around the world. He is currently completing a new book and multimedia project looking at the global increase in wildfire which will be published by Houghton Mifflin Harcourt in 2015.