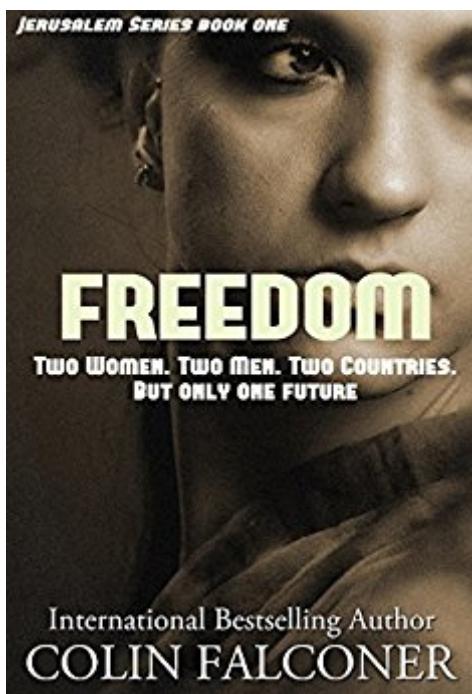


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Synopsis

Two women, two men. Two countries. But only one future. It is 1933 and two young women from very different worlds face an uncertain future. Both are in love, but both are faced with an impossible choice. Marie Helder is a butcher's daughter in a little town in Bavaria, as Germany begins its love affair with Hitler and National Socialism. She has a schoolgirl crush on a boy in her class. His family is rich, well respected - and Jewish. Far away in Palestine, the centuries-old rhythms of sleepy Raballah have been disturbed by the building of a Jewish kibbutz on the swamp in the valley below. The Jews are the future, the twentieth century. The Jews are the enemy. Sarah Landauer does not think of herself as anyone's enemy - and neither does the young man she loves, Rishou Hassam. But his father is muktar of the Arab village, and he can see the future sweeping towards them, and it fills him with dread. From the snow-hushed winter streets of Nazi Bavaria, to the burned hills of Palestine, from the Alte Post to the Al-Aqsa, four very different families prepare for the deadly conflicts to come. Should Marie Helder and Sarah Landauer turn on those they love? From the holocaust to the bloody creation of the state of Israel in 1948, romance and terror collide in a novel of ancient hatreds and forbidden loves.

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One has to read the first book of the series to understand the characters but Colin Falconer brings to life the brutality of Auschwitz and the will to survive for the Jews held in the concentration camps. Only those who experienced it can really appreciate what the Jews had to suffer but the detail and research brings the book alive. The characters show their strengths and weakness through the story written by a master story teller. It gives a basis of why the Jews wanted their own land and what they will do to achieve it. The fight between the Arabs and Jews also holds strong ties and I can't wait to read the third book in the series .excellent

This is a very strong argument for the second amendment, the right to bear arms. It would seem that the human misery depicted here could have been avoided if these victims could have defended themselves with arms. This book probably should be read by all who prize their liberty.

This book is part of a series 3 or 4 books. I read my way thru them with zest and great suspense. I got the first book for free, then I was hooked. Loved the series and have the author on my wish list. There are several more of his books that really look interesting.

Great bookA story that tells the plight of the people and their strengthDone by a writer with a heart and good research thank you for the story

Very well written, a help in understanding the times, makes one wish you were there, but glad you were not. Well worth the price.

Freedom The Israel Series.... Freedom Series Book 2) By Colin Falconer I read all of this author's series on Israel. I found I was a captive audience for all the details of the country's history, of Israel steeped in intrigue, as the country is surrounded by many who would like to have this small country non existence in real life. It bought many history lessons front and center. It reminds us of all we have to lose or gain and how history has a way of repeating itself over and over again, while striving to show the strong will of people no matter where their ancestors are from, moral fortitude in each of us, but it teaches us what each of us are made of or how moral we could or should be to each other at good times or especially during tiring times.

I'm a fan of Colin Falconer and the way he weaves history meshed with fiction. Following on from

the highly readable Jerusalem, Freedom takes the reader from the British administered Palestine to the horrors inflicted upon the Jews in the notorious death camp Auschwitz. Filled with characters both likeable and detestable, I as a reader became part of this story, as an invisible character living in the times Falconer so deftly writes about. I highly recommend both Jerusalem & Freedom and I'm really looking forward to the third book, Zion and the fourth book, Israel.

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