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Geoffrey Ball's extraordinary adventure in technology began in the legendary Silicon Valley of California and ultimately led him to the mountains of Austria, where he now lives and continues his work. Even as a child, Ball knew that sign language, conventional hearing aids, and lipreading were not for him, so he decided to find a cure for his deafness. Never letting his disability stand in his way, he became a kind of modern Renaissance man with wide-ranging interests and abilities, all coupled with an undeniable talent for entrepreneurship and invention. Ball introduces us to family and friends, surfing buddies and lab rats, business partners and fellow inventors, computer and Internet legends, the larger-than-life mentor who gave him his start, and the woman who ultimately saved his brainchild. He intersperses insights into technology and business with personal anecdotes and fascinating accounts of successes, failures and near misses along the way.

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