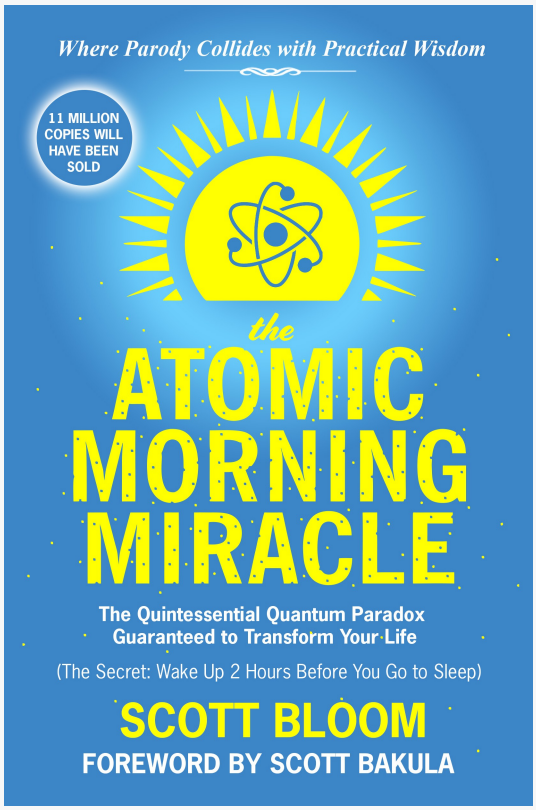
'The Atomic Morning Miracle' Uses Humor to Challenge Hustle Culture and the Self-Help Industry

Scott Bloom's new book satirizes productivity culture and self-help while inviting readers to rethink success, fulfillment, and the pressure to improve.



The Atomic Morning Miracle

LOS ANGELES, CA, UNITED STATES, October 6, 2026 /EINPresswire.com/ -- Ballast Books is excited to announce the release of The Atomic Morning Miracle: The Quintessential Quantum Paradox Guaranteed to Transform Your Life, a book by comedian and keynote speaker Scott Bloom, publishing on October 6, 2026.

This sharp, funny, and unexpectedly thoughtful satire of productivity culture turns the modern self-help industry upside down. For decades, we've been sold the same promise: wake up earlier, work harder, maximize everything, and happiness will follow. But what if you already have everything you need?

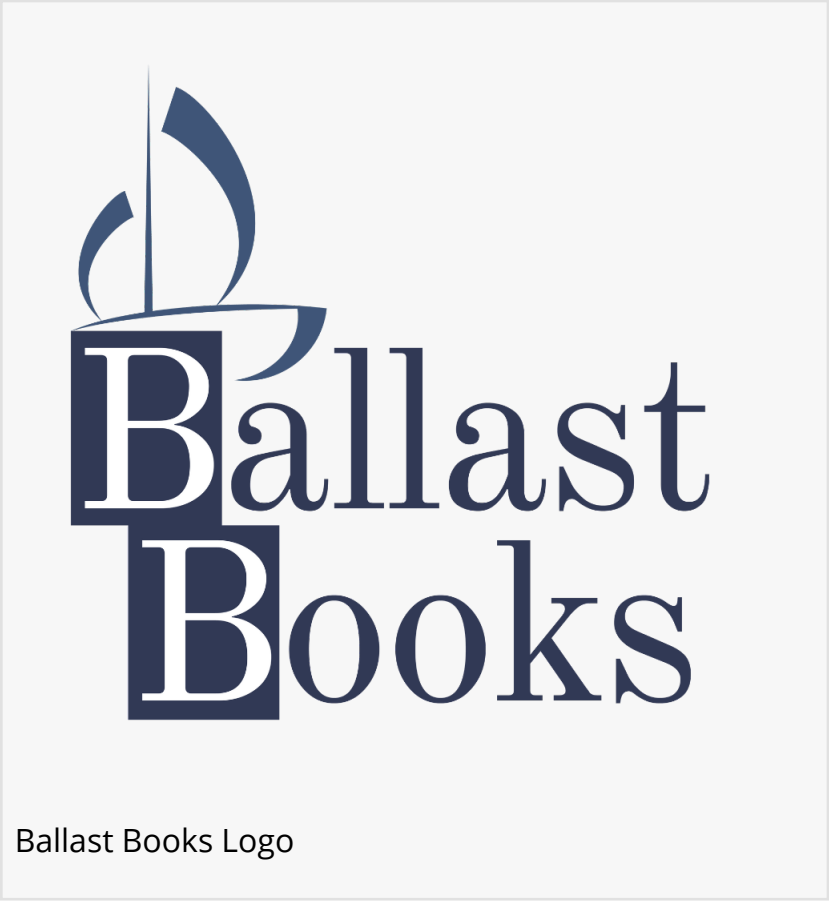
Drawing inspiration from bestsellers like Atomic Habits and The Miracle Morning, the book pokes fun at the relentless pressure to optimize every minute of the day, all while offering readers genuine insights beneath the humor. One chapter introduces the "Time Bandit's Guide to Daily Structure," with instructions on how to steal hours from the space-time continuum so you can finally journal. The premise is absurd. So is the problem.

Part parody, part practical reflection, The Atomic Morning Miracle works on two levels simultaneously. On the surface, it makes you laugh out loud at our obsession with hacking morning routines, living up to the 10X mindset, and chasing unreachable goals. Underneath, it encourages readers to rethink their assumptions about success, identity, and fulfillment.

Actor Scott Bakula (Star Trek: Enterprise, NCIS: New Orleans), who wrote the foreword, appears throughout the book as a fictionalized version of himself, helping connect the comedic storytelling with the book's deeper themes and exercises.

Bloom believes self-help books remain popular because people genuinely want change but often feel overwhelmed by impossible expectations.

The Atomic Morning Miracle offers a fresh alternative to traditional self-help: one that encourages readers to laugh at the pressure to constantly improve while discovering they may not need fixing in the first place.



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About the Author:
Scott Bloom is a comedian, keynote speaker, and host of the podcast No More Bad Events. A lifelong student of personal growth and comedy, he has spent his career making people laugh while accidentally discovering profound truths. His first book, You CAN Judge a Book by Its Cover, is a collection of faux book covers that left readers wondering if he was putting them on or if he genuinely believes his own ridiculous theories. Scott lives in Los Angeles with his two kids who remain unconvinced that turning quantum physics puns into actual success constitutes a real job (even their dog, Victory, has questions).

This is his second book, though in some timeline, it's his first. Time will tell.

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