Bob Henson

A native of Oklahoma City, Bob Henson earned his bachelor's degree in meteorology from Rice University in 1983 and went on to get a master's degree in journalism from the University of Oklahoma in 1988, where he studied lightning at the National Severe Storms Laboratory and engaged in a fair bit of storm chasing on the side. He has written five books on weather and climate change, including one of the most widely used textbooks for 101-level college meteorology courses, Meteorology Today (11th edition/Cengage, 2016), with lead author C. Donald Ahrens. Bob also wrote The Thinking Person's Guide to Climate Change (AMS Books, 2014), and is a contributing editor of Weatherwise magazine. He has written more than 50 articles for Nature, Scientific American, Discover, Sierra, The Guardian, AIR & SPACE/Smithsonian, and other media outlets. Bob began blogging for The Weather Underground in 2015.

From 1990 through 2014, Bob had the privilege of serving as a writer and editor at the University Corporation for Atmospheric Research, which operates the National Center for Atmospheric Research and publishes AtmosNews. This job gave him a front-row seat at a jaw-dropping array of
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Bob lives near Boulder, Colorado, where he and his partner are avid hikers and cyclists. Bob also enjoys classic cinema, travel, landscape and sky photography, a wide range of music--especially jazz and 60s/70s/oldies--and Italian/Asian cooking.