

Paradise By Design By Bill Bensley

Dick B.'s latest exploration of, and report on the solid evidence that early AAs were cured of alcoholism and said so for the first decade after their founding. This title tells HOW. It explains the many reports of religious healings through the ages, the many in or observers of A.A. who proved that they were cured, the myths about God, alcoholism, and "no cure," and the key origins, roots, and elements of the early Akron Christian Fellowship where the cures occurred. A book for believers who know God's power and want to know how it was applied in the healing of alcoholism by A.A. pioneers

Result of a conference organised by the Ministry of Education, Culture and Science and the Netherlands Public Library Association, on the occasion of the Dutch presidency of the Council of Europe on the 18th and 19th of March 2004 in The Hague and Apeldoorn. New functions and forms of public libraries in the 21st century were the central theme about which more than 150 participants of over 35 countries discussed. It was an expert meeting of governmental policy makers as well as professionals from the library field, and it includes library building and city planning, new public library concepts and its reflection in attractive and sustainable design and

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public library building. Consists of lectures, recommendations to the Council of Europe, seminar, survey reports on the situation of public libraries in European countries.

A novel on the alienation of Vietnam War veterans. The hero is James Donnelly, a man from a poor Missouri family. He describes the difficulties of adjusting to civilian life, interspersing scenes of combat from the war. A first novel.

Recent catastrophic events, such as the I-35W bridge collapse, New Orleans flooding, the BP oil spill, Port au Prince's destruction by earthquake, Fukushima nuclear plant's devastation by tsunami, the Wall Street investment bank failures, and the housing foreclosure epidemic and the collapse of housing prices, all stem from what author Thomas Fisher calls fracture-critical design. This is design in which structures and systems have so little redundancy and so much interconnectedness and misguided efficiency that they fail completely if any one part does not perform as intended. If we, as architects, planners, engineers, and citizens are to predict and prepare for the next disaster, we need to recognize this error in our thinking and to understand how design thinking provides us with a way to anticipate unintended failures and increase the resiliency of the world in which we live. In *Designing to Avoid Disaster*, the author discusses the context and cultural assumptions that have led to a number

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of disasters worldwide, describing the nature of fracture-critical design and why it has become so prevalent. He traces the impact of fracture-critical thinking on everything from our economy and politics to our educational and infrastructure systems to the communities, buildings, and products we inhabit and use everyday. And he shows how the natural environment and human population itself have both begun to move on a path toward a fracture-critical collapse that we need to do everything possible to avoid. We designed our way to such disasters and we can design our way out of them, with a number of possible solutions that Fisher provides.

Featuring hundreds of stunning color photographs and insightful commentary, this Asian design book showcases the art, architecture and design of the East. Eclectic, baroque and sophisticated—such are the characteristics of the lifestyle resorts and extravagant private residences crafted by the renowned Bensley Design Studios in Bangkok and Bali. The 27 resorts and homes featured in Paradise by Design are set amidst resplendent tropical gardens and spread from China to India to Bali. Focused in Asia Pacific, these buildings are unconventional, sensual and hold a special reverence for the tropical climate. Focusing not only on the architecture of the buildings, but also the landscape design, interior design, horticulture and fine arts and crafts found within and without these

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buildings, Paradise by Design transcends the traditional and details an inclusive look at some of the most stylish and diverse homes and resorts in Asia.

TheatreWorks is renowned for its daring, and sometimes controversial, productions. Since its inception the company has explored important social issues such as sexuality, censorship and oppression. The company also pioneered different types of productions; it introduced the black box theatre to Singapore and staged epic outdoor festivals in Fort Canning Park. This book, celebrating TheatreWorks 25th anniversary, charts the company's evolution from a small theatre cooperative working from a terrace house to the well-respected innovator in the Singapore theatre community. From Identity to Mondialisation: TheatreWorks 25 is a stunning visual history of the company, featuring photography from many of TheatreWorks' groundbreaking performances and quotes and anecdotes from members of the company, past and present.

When Doctor Lydia McKenzie's phone rang while lecturing, summoning her to the chief administrator's office, she never imagined it would lead to a Nobel Prize. The vagaries of a data processor, pairs her with her fiancé, Captain William Kelly, United States Air Force, and together they fly into space, becoming national heroes, and world-wide celebrities. Cupid's

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Paradise takes you on a vicarious adventure - Hollywood style; a love story that pumps your adrenalin to the max.

Hotels and resorts are not an easy building to design. The relationships of hotels and the city are also an important notion of landmark within cities. The hotels are also to be seen as a reflection of the complex social geographies of city life. Review the built projects from Indonesian and southeast Asian architects, such as; Studio TonTon, Yori Antar, Ling Hao Architects, Nicholas Burns, and several other architects; also several upcoming projects from Indonesian and South-East Asian architects. We proudly published Daniel Libeskind's Reffeltion on Keppel Bay, his first apartment towers in Singapore. Other projects by southeast Asian Architects : Pantara House, Jakarta (Studio Tonton) Villa S, Singapore (Ling Hao Architects) Sentosa House, Singapore (Nicholas Burns) Segara Ayu House , Bali(Yori Antar) Reflection at Kepple Bay, Singapore (Daniel Libeskind) Punggol Promenade, Singapore (LOOK Architects) Puri Ahimsa, Bali (Arte Architect) Casa De La Flora, Thailand (Vaslab) The L Hotel, Bali (Popo Danes Architects) Centra Taum, Bali (andramatin architect) Ananta Legian (Airmas Asri) Banyan Tree Ringha, China (Architrave) Sudamala Suites, Bali (ESA International) Intercontinental Danang Sun Peninsula Resort, Vietnam (Bensley Design Studios)

A compilation of tales centered around the people who lived, worked, and died in the town on the border—Bristol, Tennessee/Virginia. This collection includes historical references to the days of the stagecoach, tales of prostitution, evidence of Bristol ghosts, and narratives about the people who lived in the Town of Bristol in its beginning days. Some of the stories come straight from interviews with the early citizens, while others include documentation from actual court

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cases or personal diaries. Nonetheless, each narrative provides a small glimpse into the day-to-day life in the town. Paradise Steam Plant is the eighth large-capacity steam-electric plant planned, designed, and constructed by TVA in a series beginning with Johnsonville, first operated in 1951. Stunning natural landscapes that bless tropical areas of Asia transformed into major tourist destinations and showcased in this enticing volume.

From author Mark Russell Viliborghi's exceptionally vivid dream comes this fascinating work of fiction that takes you into the interesting place called High Times. As you delve deep into High Times, An Alien Paradise, you'll find satisfaction, intrigue, romance, revelation, humor, mystery, good times, and insight into the future of humankind. Meet an ensemble of charming characters who will show you the beauty and delight of living and working in High Times. Follow Horn, who narrates this story, as he tells you of how he enjoys waking up everyday to work as a saxophone player in a band at High Times. So what makes High Times that interesting? It is an unusual restaurant-nightclub-bar-dance hall. High Times or HT, as fondly called by its employees, is not the typical place for entertainment and eating. It even has a romantic heated indoor-basement heart-shaped swimming pool. The founders of High Times has built HT mostly to get friends together, especially those who have common interests, in an environment of intimacy where the best of conversation, dance, music, and most of all, good warm feelings can be cultivated and expressed. But is this all there is to it – or is there some mystery and intrigue behind the façade of High Times? Find out in author Mark Russell Viliborghi's High Times, An Alien Paradise Book Reviews A topsy-turvy psychedelic science-fiction tale—starring an eclectic array of beings, human and otherwise—based on an “exceptionally lucid dream” experienced by author Viliborghi.

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Viliborghi's hero is Horn, a musician at a small nightclub called High Times. For Horn, "life is so exciting that [he] can't wait to see what comes next." He lives to play music, loves his band mates, is well paid and maintains a nice flat in a nearby post-war apartment building. "Actually," he explains, "I have accidentally found myself in a million-dollar lifestyle without the responsibilities or stresses. We who work at [High Times] are all riding a train through Shangri-La. I hope it never ends, and I just knew life could be this good." But not all is how it appears. As Horn soon discovers, there is a mysterious presence in the basement of the apartment complex. "The place gives me that funny feeling," he says, "the one where you walk backwards out so that you don't turn your back on whatever is there." High Times is comprised of two narratives, each carefully intertwined by Viliborghi. The first is the more straightforward—Horn recruits a new female lead singer for his band, and promptly falls in love. The band plays gigs, and earns the respect of the community. Meanwhile, the author delves into the stories of the other denizens of the apartment complex, including a young couple named Jack and Jill. But the book is also a sci-fi adventure, and much of the book is concerned with Horn's search for life in the basement. High Times appears to be a kind of portal, which connects the nightclub and the apartment complex to a powerful alien being. Viliborghi's writing often falls flat, but his plotting is solid and the book moves from the early scenes to the surprising, exciting ending with a good deal of ballast. Extraterrestrial happenings make this an intriguing ride. -Kirkus Discoveries

"Fundamentals of Integrated Design for Sustainable Building offers an introduction to green building concepts as well as design approaches that reduce and can eventually eliminate the need for fossil fuel use in buildings while also conserving materials, maximizing their efficiency, protecting the indoor air

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from chemical intrusion, and reducing the introduction of toxic materials into the environment. It represents a necessary road map to the future designers, builders, and planners of a post-carbon world." —from the Foreword by Ed Mazria A rich sourcebook covering the breadth of environmental building, *Fundamentals of Integrated Design for Sustainable Building* introduces the student and practitioner to the history, theory and technology of green building. Using an active learning approach, the concepts of sustainable architecture are explained and reinforced through design problems, research exercises, study questions, team projects, and discussion topics. Chapters by specialists in the green movement round out this survey of all the important issues and developments that students and professionals need to know. From history and philosophy to design technologies and practice, this sweeping resource is sure to be referenced until worn out. I lost the one person who gave my life meaning and purpose. My love. My soul. My only reason for breathing. Unwilling to bury her memory, my heart turned reckless and my soul darkened. Then she walked into my life. It was only supposed to be a moment. Just one. A moment where I could get lost in someone else and forget my pain. In that one moment, she saved me from the memories that found me in the dark. She tore my world apart. Wrecked me. And with one kiss, she changed everything. Her love became my dark paradise. *Dark Paradise* is the story of the Revelation Series' Gage Gallagher. It is meant to be read after the bestselling Revelation series and before the Royal Protector Academy novels. Intended for mature readers.

Take an eye-opening, thought provoking and captivating journey into the underbelly of this heart wrenching, riveting, lifestyle which takes place on Venice Beach, CA. Read fascinating stories by

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Professor O'Connell who captures the mood, spirit, and torturing thoughts of ten random homeless people ranging from people with mental illness to the consciousness of one of the most spiritual homeless, a Native American man who is an Astrophysicist with a PhD called "The Chief" who has been a civil rights activist through all of the movements against oppression, which transformed America in the 1960's, homeless twenty-seven years. Live the stories of broken lives with war torn Vietnam Veterans, homeless transsexuals and the chilling cruelty of public ridicule they face to the story of a homeless woman who has appeared on the show COPS, arrested more than 180 times after a horrific tragedy defines her life to which she has never been able to recover. She leads the author into the center of underground homeless.

More than 250 photographs of the work nearly 40 leading designers in Phoenix, Tucson, Scottsdale, and New Mexico.

Technology is shaping our culture and controlling our lives -- for better or for worse. Often, technology's benefits far outweigh its negative impacts, and technological advances can seem boundless. But the scientific-technological worldview tends to override other value systems. Indeed, this technological way of thinking has influenced many contemporary ideas, beliefs, values, habits, and ways of communicating. Furthermore, in addition to

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technology's well-known environmental impacts, social, aesthetic, and spiritual consequences are now emerging. How can we balance positive physical effects of technology with other ambiguous or negative impacts? Some of the decisions we face have no precedent from which to draw wisdom. For this reason, the resources of Scripture and the Christian tradition must be brought to bear on technological questions: How is technology used and abused today? Does technological progress lead to human progress? How can Scripture help us, both individually and collectively, to manage technology's impact in proactive ways? Swearingen uncovers a comprehensive scriptural mandate for managing technology. On his way to a theology of technology, he evaluates which advances are moving society in directions consistent with God's purposes. 'Beyond Paradise: Technology and the Kingdom of God' aims to provide practical means for assessing technology's influence and for steering technology and its effects toward biblical ends.

Visit VirtualVenice.info Venice, California gave up its status as a city seventy years ago and still became one of the worlds most stubbornly independent communities. Acknowledged as a unique urban environment, Venice is the seaside playpen where trends are born, a tourist magnet rivaled only by Disneyland, and a microcosm of everything that's good and bad about America. Half the stars of

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movies and music have lived there at some stage of their careers. Probably more film footage exists of the Venice boardwalk than of any other stretch of real estate. Millions of people have seen innumerable images of Venice on TV and in movies, and visited the boardwalk, and wondered how it would be to live in such a crazy place, and even wished they dared to throw caution to the winds and move to Edge City. Most books about Venice have been pictorial, poetic, or scholarly. Call Someplace Paradise is a kaleidoscopic collection of observations from the viewpoint of an inhabitant over more than half a decade, 1978-84. Unlike the sociologists and bureaucrats who came from afar to scrutinize Venice, I had the advantage of living there. Venice is a place where its worth knowing what went on there in any period, the kind of place that lives in legend, an American Shangri-la. In many peoples minds its the epitome of hip. Interest in Venice will only increase when its Centennial comes up in 2005. Call Someplace Paradise is for anyone who lives there now, or used to, or ever wanted to, or might some day. Its for people from other countries, curious about life in this almost anarchistic milieu; for futurologists, sociologists, urbanologists, economists, aging hippies, and libertarians. It covers Venice shrines, institutions, historical sites and monuments: the Gas House, the pier, the Venice Beachhead, Tony Bills 73 Market Street studio, the

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canals, A Change of Hobbit, the street where part of A Touch of Evil was filmed, Beyond Illusions bookstore, the place where Jim Morrison made a film, the Fox Venice Theatre, the cultural centers Beyond Baroque and SPARC. Some of the local characters and celebrities in Call Someplace Paradise: Swami X; Susan Moscovitz the Doll Lady of Venice, beatnik painter Robert Farrington, LA Fine Arts Squad muralist John Wehrle, rollerskater/guitarist/Sufi Harry Perry, Alky Bob, Uncle Bill, Jingles, Ananda the drama queen, the guy with a bullet in his spine, Hare Krishnas, landlords who give free enterprise a bad name, Greenie the stalker, Beach Boy Dennis Wilson, silent film star Mary Miles Minter, Ernie the poor little rich boy, the grocery cart bounty hunter, sex surrogate Joan Silverthorn, the Circle Man, the ubiquitous religious graffiti nut, and a ton of other weird folk, substance abusers, professional oddballs, buskers, con artists, deadbeats, grifters and street people. Here are some other things in Call Someplace Paradise: the boardwalk and beach, vendors versus the law, skaters versus the law, the powerful senior citizens lobby, living at the beach whether in buildings or tents, famous rent strikes, murals, Tuum Est addiction recovery center, stolen art work, cafe life, John Lennons Birthday, the Hare Krishna Parade, the Kite Festival, the gentrification juggernaut, Survival Sunday, Francisco and His

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Cosmic Beam, gruesome hot tub deaths, drum circles, Zendiks, improv groups, body decoration, the heritage of the Beats, the archetypically senseless murder of a convenience store clerk, readings by well-known poets and aspiring nobodies. Venice has been called the Center of the Universe, the Last Resort, the living future of contemporary American history, the living national monument to the achievement of the American dream, and the worlds largest outdoor outpatient clinic. The Sixties started there sooner than most anywhere else, and then di Seventy-nine oral histories from former public housing residents and staff offer powerful testament to the fact that well-designed, well-managed low-rent housing has worked, as well as a demonstration of how it could be made to work again.

We all have images that pop into our minds when we think of Hawaii: palm trees, grass skirts, pineapples, ocean breezes Hawaii is the definitive tropical paradise. It seduces and lures with its beauty, charm, hospitality, and comfort to create an almost mythical world of leisure. Nothing illustrates this better than the resorts that dot the Hawaiian landscape. Like portals to paradise on the islands' shores, Hawaiian resorts have left their footprints in the sand and an unforgettable impression upon the world. In *Designing Paradise: The Allure of the Hawaiian Resort* author Don Hibbard brings us the complete story of the Hawaiian resort, from its

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origins as humble thatched taverns housing transient whalers to the elaborately cultivated luxury resort hotels of today. Hibbard examines the motivations that shaped their development, including the critical roles that advances in airplane technology, statehood, and 200 years of advertising and travel writing have played in the evolution of their design. This innovative and absorbing book surveys a little known chapter in the story of American urbanism—the history of communities built and owned by single companies seeking to bring their workers' homes and place of employment together on a single site. By 1930 more than two million people lived in such towns, dotted across an industrial frontier which stretched from Lowell, Massachusetts, through Torrance, California to Norris, Tennessee. Margaret Crawford focuses on the transformation of company town construction from the vernacular settlements of the late eighteenth century to the professional designs of architects and planners one hundred and fifty years later. Eschewing a static architectural approach which reads politics, history, and economics through the appearance of buildings, Crawford portrays the successive forms of company towns as the product of a dynamic process, shaped by industrial transformation, class struggle, and reformers' efforts to control and direct these forces.

Capturing the spirit of the tropics, Paradise on Ice

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takes a refreshing dip into the wonderful world of tropical drinks. Choose from 50 bliss-inducing blends of exotic fruits, juices, and liquors, each designed to feel like a vacation in a glass. From margaritas and tropitinis to spirit-free smoothies and refreshing coolers, each creatively mixed concoction is the perfect pleaser for summer patio get-togethers, Caribbean theme parties, poolside lounging, candlelight dinners, or any occasion that simply cries out for an equatorial, coconut-scented escape from reality. Colorful photographs accompany the text, setting just the right mood to encourage readers to put on a Tito Puente CD and swizzle their hips as well as their cocktails.

By the turn of the millennium, it had become painfully apparent that the United States had made some serious misjudgments in its interactions with the natural world. The country's treasured national parks, while remaining immensely popular tourist destinations, were not immune to the damage. Preservation alone would no longer be enough; by this time, repair and restoration were necessary. Can the United States reverse the mistaken policies that severely damaged the crown jewels of its national park system? This thoughtful and hopeful book, in turns analytical and personal, investigates that critical question by focusing on four of America's most-loved public paces. In *Repairing Paradise*, William Lowry, an eminent expert on U.S. natural

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resource policy, details and assesses four ambitious efforts to reverse environmental damage in the national parks: • The reintroduction of wolves in Yellowstone • Reducing the impact of vehicle traffic in Yosemite • Restoring fresh water to the Everglades • Removing structural impairments to river flows in the Grand Canyon

Repairing Paradise combines authoritative research with extensive personal experience. Lowry has spent time in all four of the parks—observing conditions, talking to the most informed decisionmakers, and taking photos. He deftly combines his field research with solid public policy analysis to paint an instructive portrait of the mission to restore the natural health and glory of some of the world's most wondrous places.

Reproduction of the original: *The Maids of Paradise* by Robert Michael Ballantyne

A historical and critical view of wearable technologies that considers them as acts of communication in a social landscape. Wearable technology—whether a Walkman in the 1970s, an LED-illuminated gown in the 2000s, or Google Glass today—makes the wearer visible in a technologically literate environment. Twenty years ago, wearable technology reflected cultural preoccupations with cyborgs and augmented reality; today, it reflects our newer needs for mobility and connectedness. In this book, Susan Elizabeth Ryan examines wearable technology as an evolving set of ideas and their

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contexts, always with an eye on actual wearables—on clothing, dress, and the histories and social relations they represent. She proposes that wearable technologies comprise a pragmatics of enhanced communication in a social landscape. “Garments of paradise” is a reference to wearable technology’s promise of physical and mental enhancements. Ryan defines “dress acts”—hybrid acts of communication in which the behavior of wearing is bound up with the materiality of garments and devices—and focuses on the use of digital technology as part of such systems of meaning. She connects the ideas of dress and technology historically, in terms of major discourses of art and culture, and in terms of mass media and media culture, citing such thinkers as Giorgio Agamben, Manuel De Landa, and Gilles Deleuze and Félix Guattari. She examines the early history of wearable technology as it emerged in research labs; the impact of ubiquitous and affective approaches to computing; interaction design and the idea of wearable technology as a language of embodied technology; and the influence of open source ideology. Finally, she considers the future, as wearing technologies becomes an increasingly naturalized aspect of our social behavior.

Tells the story of two single men who turned a backyard lot into a productive garden, with advice on setting up a permaculture, choosing suitable food

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plants, and designing an urban garden that functions as a natural ecosystem.

Time and again, Vancouver is recognized internationally as one of the best places to live. It achieved that reputation by breaking rules and forging its own brand of North American urbanism. *City Making in Paradise* details the nine most important decisions made in the Greater Vancouver region since the 1940s. Authors Mike Harcourt and Ken Cameron, themselves key players in several of these developments, reveal the political machinations, the ideological struggles and the personal commitment that lay behind each one. By tracing today's successes back to their roots, they illustrate their central theme; that cities are the result of the daily choices we make as leaders, activists and citizens.

Looking at the building of country houses as a whole, this book investigates why owners embarked on extensive building programmes, often following a grand tour. It explores the cost of building and the cost of furnishing and decoration.

Paradise by Design Tropical Residences and Resorts by Bensley Design Studios Tuttle Publishing

"Sprawl" is one of the ugliest words in the American political lexicon. Virtually no one wants America's rural landscapes, farmland, and natural areas to be lost to bland, placeless malls, freeways, and subdivisions. Yet few of America's fast-growing rural areas have effective rules to limit or contain sprawl. Oregon is one of the nation's most celebrated

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exceptions. In the early 1970s Oregon established the nation's first and only comprehensive statewide system of land-use planning and largely succeeded in confining residential and commercial growth to urban areas while preserving the state's rural farmland, forests, and natural areas. Despite repeated political attacks, the state's planning system remained essentially politically unscathed for three decades. In the early- and mid-2000s, however, the Oregon public appeared disenchanted, voting repeatedly in favor of statewide ballot initiatives that undermined the ability of the state to regulate growth. One of America's most celebrated "success stories" in the war against sprawl appeared to crumble, inspiring property rights activists in numerous other western states to launch copycat ballot initiatives against land-use regulation. This is the first book to tell the story of Oregon's unique land-use planning system from its rise in the early 1970s to its near-death experience in the first decade of the 2000s. Using participant observation and extensive original interviews with key figures on both sides of the state's land use wars past and present, this book examines the question of how and why a planning system that was once the nation's most visible and successful example of a comprehensive regulatory approach to preventing runaway sprawl nearly collapsed. Planning Paradise is tough love for Oregon planning. While admiring much of what the state's planning system has accomplished, Walker and Hurley believe that scholars, professionals, activists, and citizens engaged in the battle against sprawl would be well advised to think long and deeply about the lessons that the recent struggles of one of America's most celebrated planning systems may hold for the future of land-use planning in Oregon and beyond.

Following the critical acclaim of his first book, *The Miradors Descensions of a Man*, we arrive at Toolkit in

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Paradise, a decade of the best in American seriocomic reportage. Finally, we have the last thing we thought we'd ever need in the last place we thought we'd ever need it. Fine-tune your wit and wisdom, laugh until it hurts, and cry until it hurts less as you travel through these painfully funny passageways to our most intimate inner selves from the domestic front to the world stage and beyond. And, yes you CAN take them with you when you go.

Jens Naumann, a typical energetic young man of 17 had just moved out of his parent's home in Northern British Columbia, moving into a railway camp as an employee with the British Columbia Railway. All goes well as Jens enjoys his new found freedom, treasuring his driver's license and its associated freedom of travel. Then on a wintry day in 1981, fate rears its ugly head and strikes him blind in his left eye. Jens quickly rearranges his life to accommodate his new found fear - that of losing his remaining eye now that the true vulnerability of his eyesight is revealed. As his life continues onwards despite the initial readjustment, he finds ultimate happiness in his new marriage to his young wife Lorri, and just when life stands at its threshold of paradise exploring fatherhood along with the beauty of travel and thrill, his worst nightmare becomes reality not once, but twice in the most bizarre series of unforeseen incidents of bad luck; as Jens is totally blinded with no foreseeable chance of seeing again according to the best medical experts. Jens tries his best to adjust to this unwanted situation, exploring conventional methods of rehabilitation to live with blindness, as well as using imaginative, totally unheard-of activities in order to pass his time in a hope of someday being able to see again despite all the odds stacked against him. Close to the turn of the century, Jens unexpectedly receives news of an American Medical Device Engineer, Dr. William H. Dobelle, inviting blind adults as patients for his newly developed artificial vision

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system designed to provide limited vision via visual cortex stimulation. Dr. Dobbelle claims that his system has a good chance in functioning based on previous experimenting with volunteers, at the same time classifying the surgical procedure as minor. The system and its related components is complicated; consisting of not only the implants, but a series of "electrical sockets" protruding from the patients head to which an array of computer boxes and stimulator hardware is connected and worn by the patient. Jens is determined to be one of the patients, regardless of the remoteness of the chance of being one out of literally millions of blind people in the World possibly lining up to have this procedure in hopes of ending their blindness for once and for all. To his absolute surprise, Jens is accepted as the first patient for this procedure and slowly builds a relationship with Dr. Dobbelle as Jens overcomes obvious barriers of raising enough money for the very expensive procedure, as well as fighting the challenges of relentless forces working against him for his involvement in the Dobbelle vision project. Armed with preconceived ideas of how a research institute should be run, Jens travels overseas for the various stages of the procedure, only to find the most astonishing facts of what goes on in the heart of a renowned medical research institute. Not only is Jens looking at the workings of the Dobbelle Institute from the view of a patient, but in short time Jens is hired by the firm as Patient Representative, providing further exploration yet on the inner most details concerning a research company and its treatment of the 15 additional implanted patients. Throughout the book, Jens describes the devastation, exhilaration, disappointment, elation, and confusion that attempts at sight recovery, medical intervention, media propoganda, and ethical boundaries conjure in the most illustrative intensity. The manner in which the book ends is most indescribable; one could view it as the final straw, the beginning of a new

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era, the curse of the unforgiven, the sadness of a crushing reality, the beginning of a good job left unfinished; or that of the birth of a new expert compelled to unleash the new found knowledge for the whole World to thrive. Just as many questions are answered, many more yet are opened and left so far undiscovered. Search for Paradise is ce

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