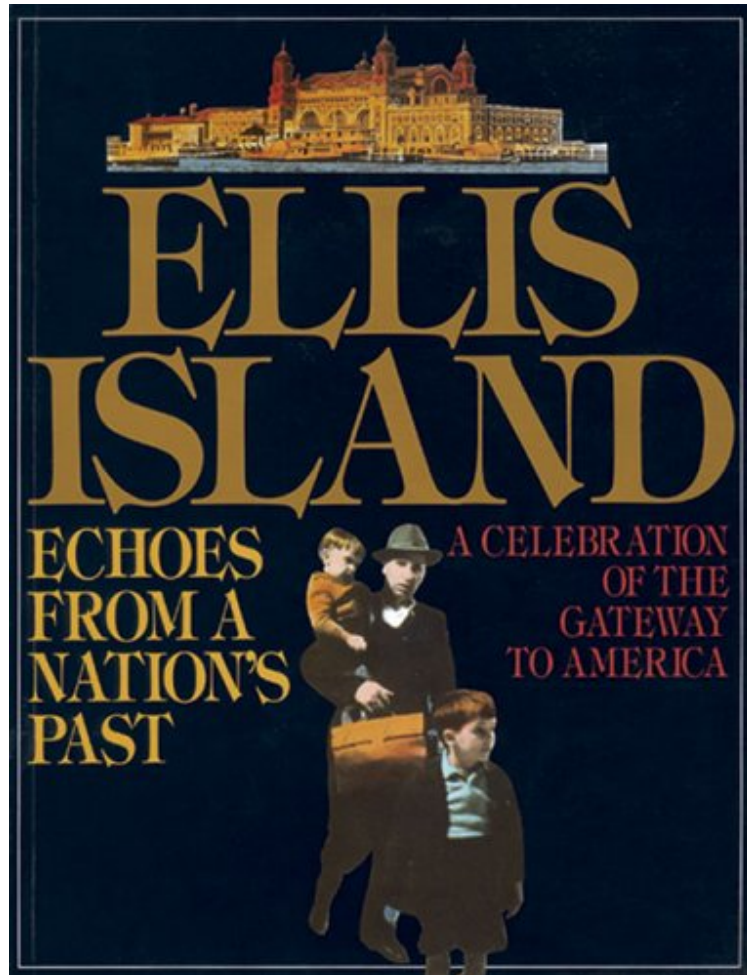


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portrays the rich, multi-ethnic history of one of America's most significant immigration points.

.com This celebration of "the gateway to America" combines archival and new photographs with specially commissioned essays to capture the dramatic importance of this historic site. The immigrants are here, as viewed by Alfred Eisenstaedt and his contemporaries, along with excerpts from oral histories that delineate their experience. Shirley Burden, whose photographs have been exhibited internationally, contributes an essay to accompany his images of the island as he found it in decline in the mid-1950s; much of this handsome volume is devoted to a portfolio of pictures taken prior to and during the restoration engineered by the National Park Service in the 1980s. From Publishers Weekly This collection of essays, accompanied by 160 historical and contemporary photos, includes Norman Kotker's account of the immigration experience, Shirley Burden's 1950s exploration of an abandoned Ellis Island and Robert Twombly's remarks on the restored landmark. According to PW, "This attractive volume offers an accessible record of Ellis Island." Copyright 1991 Reed Business Information, Inc. "Ellis Island brings alive our rich immigrant history. For millions of American families, this is how it all began."--Senator Edward Kennedy "People have migrated endlessly to the New World, through every historical shock, and in great waves of longing and desperation. Ellis Island is the migrant's monument, shown here most cogently in its state of disrepair, silent and empty, with images of our ancestors fading in its shadows like memories of dreams."--E. L. Doctorow