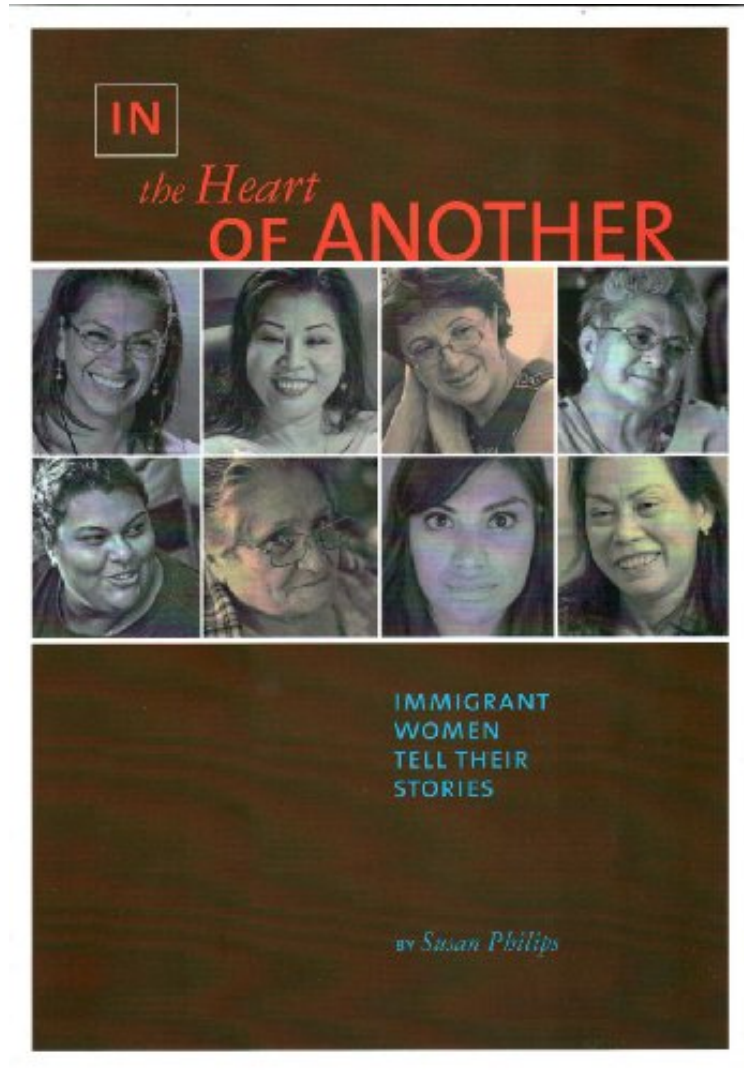


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Susan Philips : In the Heart of Another: Immigrant Women Tell Their Stories before purchasing it in order to gauge whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised In the Heart of Another: Immigrant Women Tell Their Stories:

1 of 2 people found the following review helpful. A Must-Read By Joan Sekler Susan Philips has captured the essence of the immigrant experience in her poignant book which documents the lives of women from different parts of the world who endured pain and suffering in their countries and then faced new hardships living as refugees in the U.S. They are from Armenia, China, El Salvador, Mexico and Vietnam and each tells her personal story with sorrow but with dignity. This book is essential reading for all Americans since we are part of this immigrant experience as we

look back many generations into our past. Joan Sekler, documentary filmmaker

0 of 1 people found the following review helpful. From *The Heart* By Lori Zimmerman In *IN THE HEART OF ANOTHER* Susan Philips, through a series of interviews, portrays the stories of five immigrant women against the backdrop of their countries' recent histories. We see the struggles in their homeland that propelled their journey, the road to the United States and the struggle for a new life. Ms. Philips draws five individual portraits each with their own unique voice, yet we are struck at the similarity of their struggles. An interesting and moving book, and wonderful read as Ms. Philips manages to find and reveal the heart of each woman.

This is the story of 8 women immigrants (Mexico, China, Armenia, Vietnam, El Salvador) in their own words. They share personal trials and challenges--their struggle to learn the language, adapt to the culture, find jobs and raise their children. They talk frankly about why they had to leave their countries and how they have coped in this, their new country. They want you to know that they are more than many people realize--they have hearts and they have stories.

In these moving interviews, which took over two years to complete, Philips does a brilliant job of connecting historical/ political events in their home countries to the personal lives of these women. We learn about their family histories over three generations, so that the reader can appreciate their deep cultural roots as well as their struggles to adapt to a new society. The book is liberally studded with vivid photographs as well as historical side-panels all contributing to a stimulating read as well as an exciting learning experience. Adele Wallace, Librarian Los Angeles Public Library --Los Angeles Public Library

In the Heart of Another touched me deeply. I heard the women telling their stories of war and danger, fear and risk, of families divided and the pain of loss. Each story brings alive the complexity of the women's lives and the decisions they made. Ms. Philips has found a way to let the reader not only be a receiver of stories but also a learner of history. This book will let the world know that the stories of immigrant women matter!

Ruth Beaglehole Executive Director of The Center for Non Violent Parenting Los Angeles, CA -- Center for Nonviolent Parenting

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