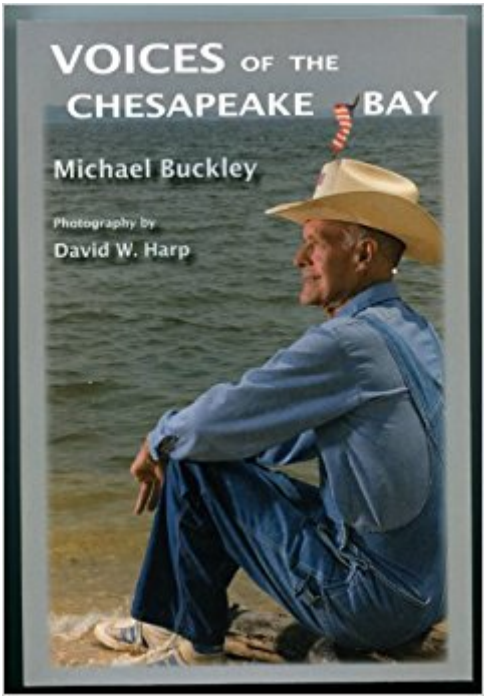
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The Voices of the Chesapeake Bay radio show has featured hundreds of people who live, work, and play on the Chesapeake Bay. Now host Michael Buckley brings us a fascinating collection of over 50 of these interviews in written form, providing the reader with glimpses into Chesapeake Bay life from a variety of diverse perspectives. Many people travel across the Chesapeak Bay Bridge and only see a big, flat body of water, but Voices of the Chesapeake Bay will help them see deeply into that water. These accounts open windows-each with a view of the Chesapeake-through which we see history, ecology, economy, and how they intertwine with the human soul.

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Customer Reviews

Michael Buckley is radio host for The Sunday Brunch, WRNR 103.1, in Maryland and co-creator of the Voices of the Chesapeake Bay radio series.

This volume is drawn from author Michael Buckley’s long-running radio interview and music series on Annapolis radio station, WRNR FM. The show itself is an informative and often surprising look at the history, the culture and the science of the national treasure that is the Chesapeake Bay.The author faced a formidable challenge in taking what was originally a soundscape in which narrative was complemented by music and the sounds of nature. The book does the original series justice and introduces to the reader to a wide array of figures who make --and have made-- the Bay the wonder that it is. Fisherfolk, Native Americans, dinosaur hunters, duck decoy artisans, oysterman, musicians and environmental scientists. Each one is a refreshing and informative voice that adds

another facet to the complexity of humanity’s relationships with the landscape that we inhabit.Michael Buckley beautifully captures individual voices, editing what were lengthier interviews into rich and articulate core messages. This is the kind of book one can plow through without attention to the passage of time or, with the individual interviews neatly edited, pick up and enjoy with short periods of reading.As a former resident of the area Michael Buckley writes about, I am able to hear the truth in this book’s message and the inviting reality of the interviewee’s voices. In giving voice to a national environmental treasure, Michael Buckley inspires a hunger to visit the places he writes about. Most are accessible, if a bit out of the way.Most important of all, the author reminds us that conserving special environments like the Chesapeake Bay is mandated by our collective history; our experience is sculpted by--and, in turn, sculpts-- sacred places that connects us to the past and to the wide world around us.I could not recommend this book more enthusiastically!

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