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内容概要

Shanghai has always been a city of contrasts ; contrasting nationalities (Chinese to French to British) , contrasting art and architecture(traditional to colonial to futuristic) . It has been able to retain all of these cultural imprints while striding confidently into the future This is what makes it unique . Jon Burris , a recognized American photographer , presents a view of Shanghai today through his words and pictures .

## 作者简介

Mr. Burris , a recognized photographer whose work is represented in private and institutional collections internationally , graduated from Southwestern Oklahoma State University in 1973 with a degree in commercial art and art history . It was a photographer for an advertising agency and served as a museum curator before opening his own gallery in Oklahoma City in 1981 . Since that time , he has worked with many celebrated photographers and artists world-wide , organizing over 100 exhibitions .

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## 章节摘录

I consider myself fortunate to have spent the greater part of my career as a fine arts consultant working with artists and collectors . In addition to providing me with a reason to be surrounded by art , it has afforded me the opportunity to deal with two other serious pursuits in my life , photography and travel . Over the past fifteen years , I have been lucky to have had a reason to travel to China often and Im frequently asked where I spend the most amount of time when Im there . My answer is always , Beijing and Shanghai . Then the question is invariably, “ Which city do you prefer? ” I never hesitate to say that I enjoy each for different reasons . On So many levels though , it is impossible to compare Shanghai to virtually any other city ; even given its proverbial identification as the “ Paris of the East ” , I think it is unfair . Shanghai has a unique identity . It possesses a character all its own with a rhythm and pace and vibrancy unlike any other city I have ever experienced in my travels . For decades it has been considered by foreigners to be Chinas most cosmopolitan city and like New York , something of a cultural melting pot adding to its diversity . But undoubtedly, it has acquired part of its reputation based on a past that conjures up exotic images of opium dens that flourished in the late 1800s , or international traders , smugglers , and spies who entered its ports at the turn of the century.

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