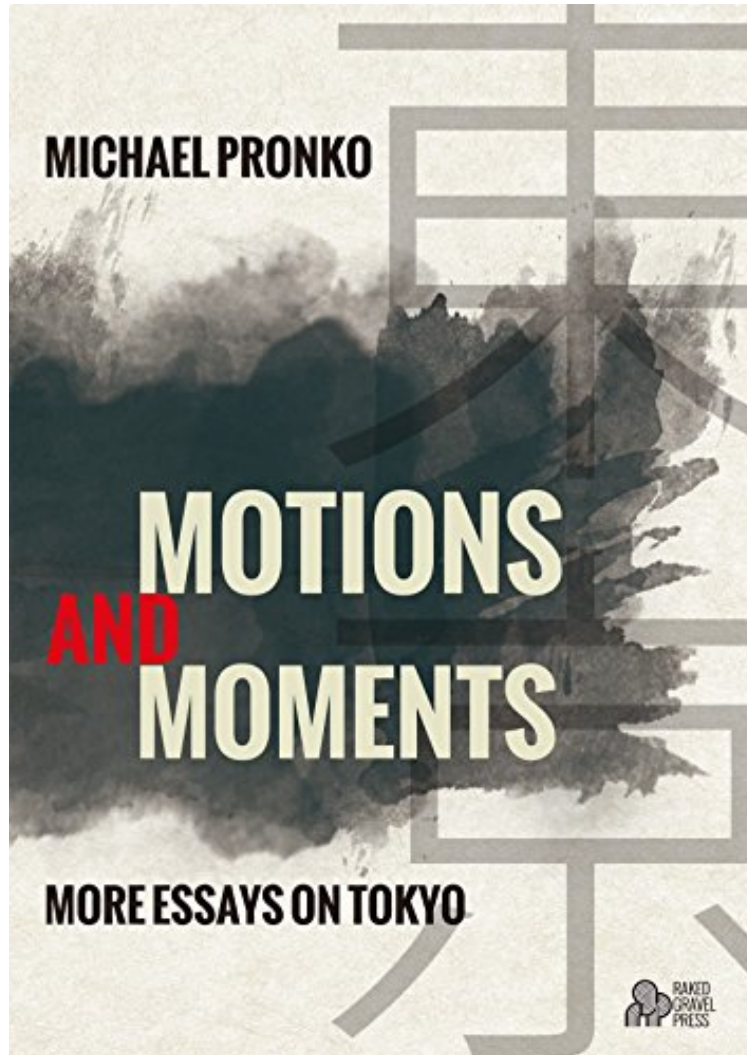


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Von Michael Pronko : Motions and Moments: More Essays on Tokyo (English Edition) before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Motions and Moments: More Essays on Tokyo (English Edition):

KundenrezensionenHilfreichste Kundenrezensionen0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Get to know Tokyo from the insiderVon Helpful Advice'Motions and Moments' is the second time I had the opportunity and pleasure reading Michael Pronko's essays on Tokyo.With 'Beauty and Chaos', his previous book I fully enjoyed, he managed to perfectly convey the spirit of this extraordinary Japanese megalopolis in a series of interesting, humorous and yet extremely educational essays. Or as Pronko said 'writing about Tokyo is like catching fish with a hollow

gourd. In this anthology, he presents us 42 new essays, proving that he is not only the insider who knows so much about Tokyo, but someone who loves this city. Michael Pronko is the kind of caring parent who emphasizes own child's virtues and explain flaws. Michael Pronko has lived and wrote in and about Tokyo for fifteen years. Working as a professor at Meiji Gakuin University and teaching American literature, culture, film, music, and art, Pronko is a man that rightly, regardless of his origin, can be called insider. As he nicely wrote - fielding questions from his students about Jackson Pollock or Kurt Vonnegut and then wandering through Shinjuku's neon mayhem always puts ideas for writing into his head, while teaching also keeps him searching for the heart of life in the world's biggest city. In this collection some of the motives that particularly impressed me were changes Tokyo went through brought by Western society and the consequences to Japan of fatal earthquake back in 2011. Visiting Tokyo is something impossible to forget, regardless how experienced traveler you are. Therefore, as a man who grew up in different part of the world, Pronko manages to see things not so noticeable to locals, but also usually overlooked by Tokyo tourists. He succeeds taking reader to the places you did not read about in ads, providing a broader view of this extraordinary city. I will conclude this review as I did the previous - if you plan visiting Tokyo for the first time or know someone who plan to do that, I recommend reading both of Pronko's anthologies, because that way Tokyo would be experienced in much deeper and personal manner. I was given a copy of this book by the author for the purpose of unbiased review, while all the presented information is based on my impressions.

Kurzbeschreibung *Motions and Moments* is the third book by Michael Pronko on the fluid feel and vibrant confusions of Tokyo life. These 42 new essays burrow into the unique intensities that suffuse the city and ponder what they mean to its millions of inhabitants. Based on Pronko's 18 years living, teaching and writing in Tokyo, these essays on how Tokyoites work, dress, commute, eat and sleep are steeped in insights into the city's odd structures, intricate pleasures and engaging undertow. Included are essays on living to size and loving the crowd, on Tokyo's dizzying uncertainties and daily satisfactions, and on the 2011 earthquake. As in his first two books, this collection captures the ceaseless flow and passing flashes of life in biggest city in the world with gentle humor and rich detail.