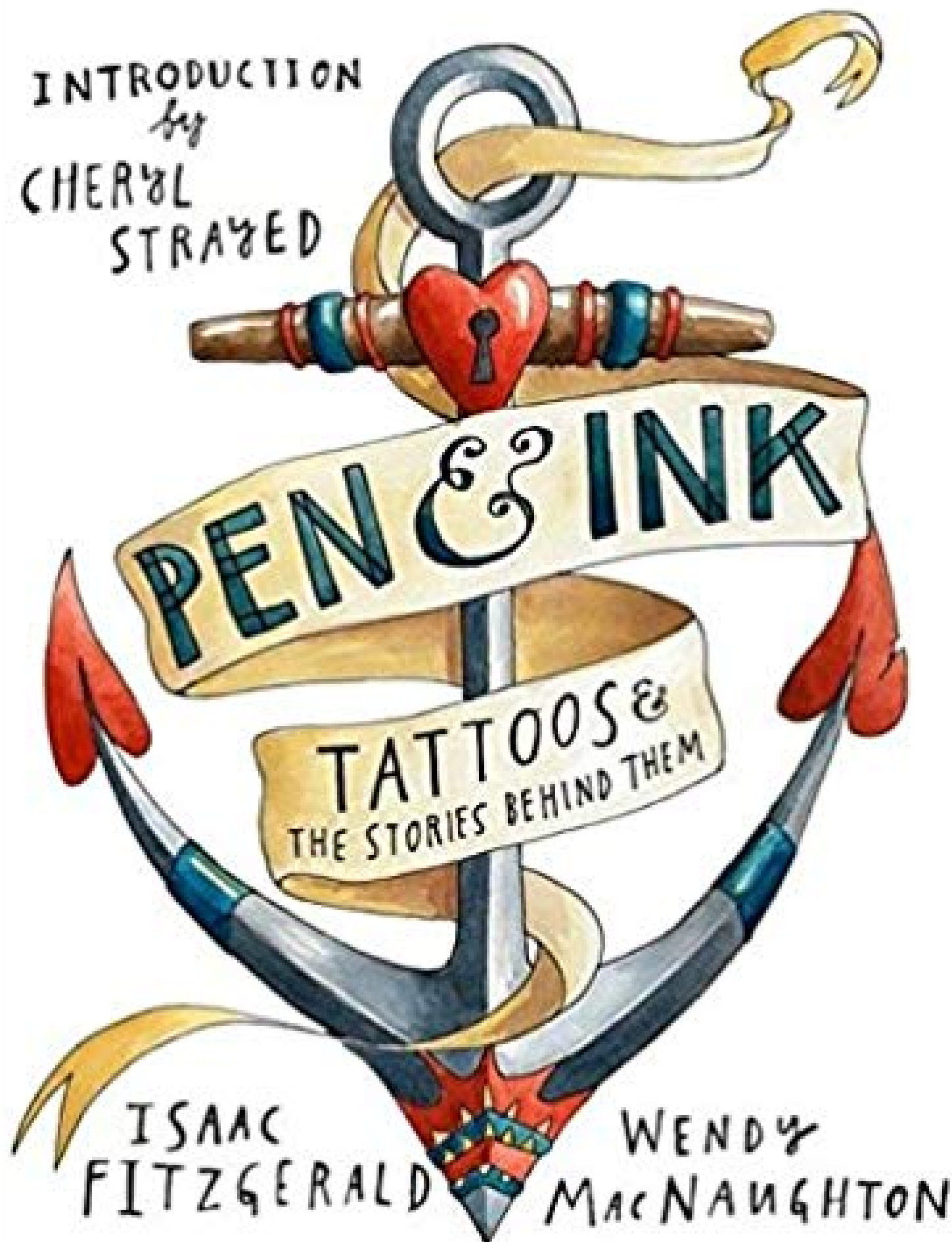


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Pen & Ink: Tattoos and the Stories Behind Them



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At its heart, beneath its colorful skin, Pen & Ink is an exploration of your choice to scar one's personal with symbolic and a story. These most long lasting and intimate of body adornments are hidden by pants hip and legs and shirttails, emblazoned on knuckles, or tucked inside mouths. They are battle marks and beauty marks, totems and mementos. Pen & Ink grants us access to the tattoos-and the stories behind them-of writers Cheryl Strayed and Roxane Gay; . and even a porn celebrity. . secrets by . But it additionally illuminates the tattoos of the ordinary people living in our midst-from professors to thrift shop salespeople, cafe owners to librarians, union organizers to administrators-and their amazing lives. rockers in the bands Korn, Otep, and Five Finger Loss of life Punch;Curated and edited by Isaac Fitzgerald, who sports activities twelve tattoos himself, every story "is like becoming let in on . . . strangers who approved you on the road or sat across from you on the train" (Strayed) and features Wendy MacNaughton's gorgeously rendered full-color illustrations of the tattoos on black-and-white drawings of the bearer's body. Every tattoo tells a tale, whether the ink is meaningful or the result of a misguided decision made at age fourteen, representative of the wearer's true personal or the accidental consequence of a bender.



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. On every double-page spread there is a glimpse into someone's background, someone's story. I held changing my absolute preferred as I examine, but, ultimately, I'm a sucker for the Grammy Pac Mac tale. General, a treasure book, worthy of savoring over and over and again. I think tattoos are cool That is something altogether different. Pen & Ink brings a variety of characters together to talk about life, and just how they've imprinted their encounters, adores, losses, and defeats on the skin. The tales range from poignant to ridiculous, woven collectively masterfully by Isaac Fitzgerald, and lovingly illustrated by Wendy MacNaughton, and entirely makes for a very cohesive read, with something everyone, inked or not, can relate with. Bravo on an excellent collection. Some are simple and some are so complicated that you would destroy the roses looking to get to the weeds. Just what you'd expected, well executed and presented. Learning how people got their tattoos can help you see life in a different way. We are all therefore different and all so similar. I want to this of such a smart way to record something. The illustrations are great as will be the stories that go with them. these were touching, funny, etc. Five Stars Fun book . Great gift for a tattoo-addict! Worthwhile If You Have Any Interest in Tattoos and Their Stories If you've seen Isaac's blog page and think you've noticed 'em all, you're wrong! This book is excellent and a great little peek into the world of tattoos. Wendy Mac is awesome. love this book Every tattoo is a story. A amazing idea to create this book. A designer's dream publication. Very unique. Buy it for yourself or your preferred tattoo artist. It's a beautifully-crafted chapbook. The Story Behind the Tats Gorgeous, artful, heartfelt. I think tattoos are cool.. Not what you expect. A Treasure As Fitzgerald says so well in the Intro to the collection, tattoos are remembrances, stories, bits of a life. Identification. I'm usually curious in regards to what they indicate and what led the individual to get that particular one. Gord and I visited the TATTOOS: Ritual.. It did look like top quality with great stories tied to nice illustrations of true people's tattoos and the stories behind them. Artwork exhibit at the Royal Ontario Museum in July and it had been fabulous. great present for folks into tattoos. I found most of the stories interesting ... I was pleased to find that I understood of some of the folks profiled. The tattoos had been illustrated .. You can find scores of books approximately tattoo artwork and history. This book is a really interesting mix of sometimes funny and sometimes moving personal narratives and incredibly gorgeou This book is a really interesting mix of sometimes funny and sometimes moving personal narratives and incredibly gorgeous art. Also, I came across the handprinted/written descriptions annoying, especially when the story was long since it was occasionally hard to learn. I'm sure a funky font could have been utilized to keep the spirit of the book. Blog review post: [.. I love the storytelling in this publication!] Great pieces and gorgeous illustrations!. I've given it as something special to multiple relatives and buddies members. okay You can find no actual pictures of tattoos, and the book is very short... This book is an range of tattoos a cross section of different people combined with the stories in it. It's good for your coffee table for guests to check out, but it is not a substantial read. Bought this for my fiance's sister who's obsessed with tattoos and from what I heard she liked the reserve. Obsession. I'd have rather they be photographs therefore i could see the real matter. Recommended to all tattoo fans. In fact this book provided me with a good reason NOT to get a tattoo - thus I ... In fact this book provided me with a good reason NOT to get a tattoo - therefore I rated it two stars. Otherwise I was disappointed with the publication.



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