



The Poetics of Distortion

Panoramic Photographs of the San Francisco Bay Area

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- Perfect gift for photography lovers, and for those who want a psychedelic trip without the flashbacks

Thomas R. Schiff's vivid panoramic photographs capture the iconic buildings and landscapes of San Francisco and the Bay Area in new and surprising ways. From the Golden Gate Bridge to Coit Tower, they offer a refreshing perspective on familiar places and reveal unexpected treasures in everyday ones. With essays on photography, perception, and architecture by Susan Ehrens, Wendy Lesser, and Tim Culvahouse, and an author interview by Dave Christensen, *The Poetics of Distortion: Panoramic Photographs of the San Francisco Bay Area* is a mind-bending, eye-opening, very San Franciscan journey.

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