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The Hudson: America's River

In The Hudson: America's River, author Frances Dunwell '84 explores the Hudson River as a 315-mile-long exemplar of the relationship and interdependence of the American people with the environment they have claimed, tamed, exploited and repaired over a span of centuries. With a brief introduction on the Native Americans who lived on the Hudson's shores and depended on it for their sustenance, Dunwell launches her chronicle in earnest with Henry Hudson's 17th-century exploration and follows the American story of this mighty river as it evolved over 300 years through the American Revolution, burgeoning national commercialization, invention and industrialization, development and pollution, up to The Nature Conservancy's campaign in the 1960s to “save a mountain and revive a 'dead' river.” In his foreword, Robert Kennedy Jr. commends the author for “highlighting the symbolic power that the Hudson has acquired over its people and over our nation.” The book is published by Columbia University Press. To purchase a copy, visit cup.columbia.edu or www.amazon.com.

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