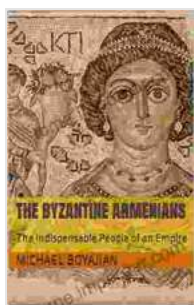


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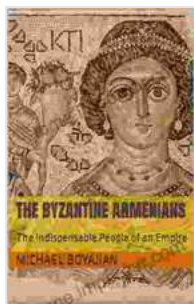


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## **A Call to Recognition**

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By shedding light on the indispensable people, this book challenges us to rethink our understanding of history and to embrace a more inclusive and diverse narrative. It is a powerful and moving work that will forever change the way we view the past and those who made it.



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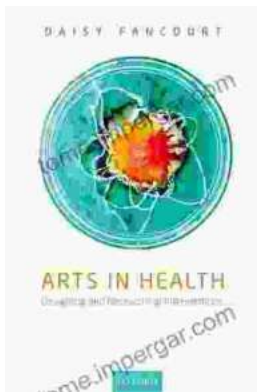
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