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This is the inspiring true story of the John J. Harvey -- a retired New York City fireboat reinstated on September 11, 2001. Originally launched in 1931, the Harvey was the most powerful fireboat of her time. After the September 11 attacks, with fire hydrants at Ground Zero inoperable and the Hudson River's water supply critical to fighting the blaze, the fire department called on the Harvey for help. There were adjustments -- forcing water into hoses by jamming soda bottles and wood into nozzles with a sledgehammer -- and then the fireboat's volunteer crew pumped much-needed water to the disaster site. The John J. Harvey proved she was still one of New York's Bravest Maira Kalman brings a New York City icon to life, celebrating the energy, vitality and hope of a place and its people.

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评论

在一个醒来的秋日午后收到这本书,读了一个曾在三十年代大放异彩但到九十年代不再被需要的救火船的故事,它不再被需要,都要报废了,却被一群朋友们买了下来重新装修回到海上,当然不再做救火用途,纯粹乐在其中享受生活。直到911那天……就像面前坐着小孩子一样我一句句念着、读着,然后无端哽咽,然后发现字迹模糊眼睛涩疼,是水份融化了刚涂上的日霜浸到眼里,是它巧妙地打破了时空的格局讲述了一个勇气的故事,存在的价值不因一时繁荣落寞而定。

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