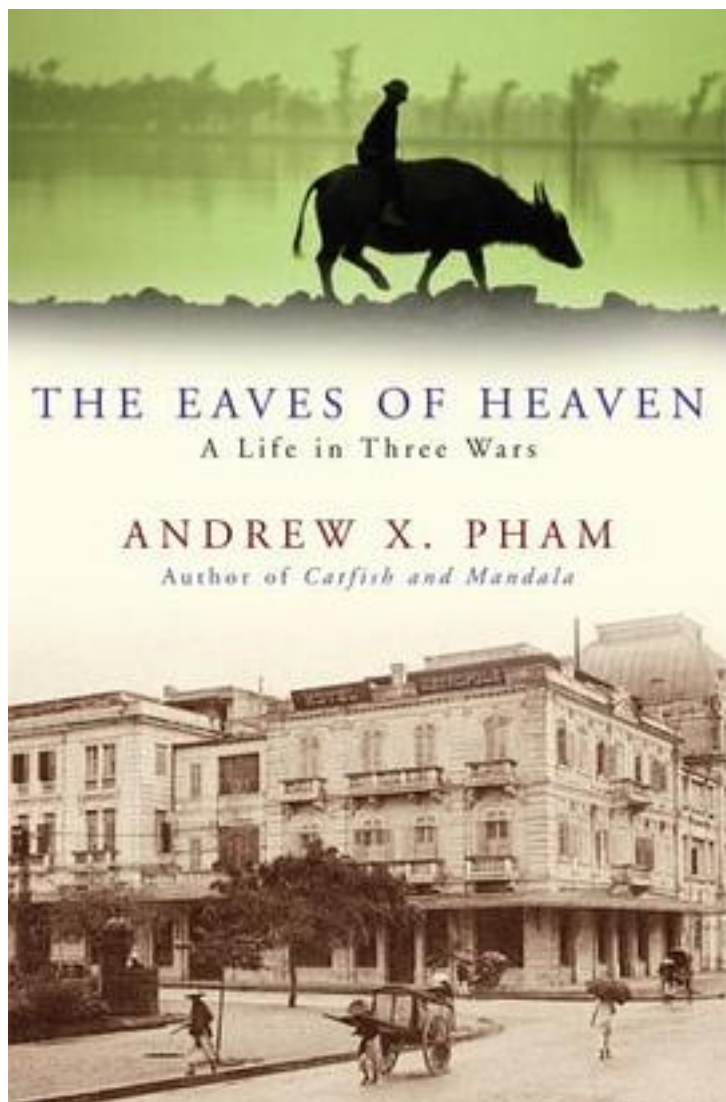


# The Eaves of Heaven



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In a narrative set between the years of 1940 and 1976, Pham (Catfish and Mandala) recounts the story of his once wealthy father, Thong Van Pham, who lived through the French occupation of Indochina, the Japanese invasion during WWII, and the Vietnam War. Alternating between his father's distant past and more recent events, the narrative take readers on a haunting trip through time and space. This technique lends a soothing, dreamlike quality to a story of upheaval, war, famine and the brutality his father underwent following a childhood of privilege (And that strange year, the last of the good years, all things were granted. Heaven laid the seal of prosperity upon our land. We were blessed with the most bountiful harvest in memory). For those not familiar with Vietnamese history, Pham does an admirable job of recounting the complex cast of characters and the political machinations of the various groups vying for power over the years. In the end, he also gracefully delivers a heartfelt family history.

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后一百页几乎无法读完，每读一页，精神就被撕下一层皮。这是我读的有关越战的第一本书，很幸运。

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真的感慨，最后前后六十年两条时间线交汇在一起，一边是越战之后的满目疮痍，一边却还是二战间迁徙时对新生活忐忑而期待的心，加剧的passivity。战争无孔不入地改变着人的生活，大到全社会的暴力、监禁、丧失理智、互相检举，小到一段儿时友谊的走向、临终前告别的方式、一种米的吃法。越战结束后，他们试图逃出越南。我也希望船能开得更快一点，更快一点。只可惜他们还是停在天堂的屋檐下。

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战争啊。

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