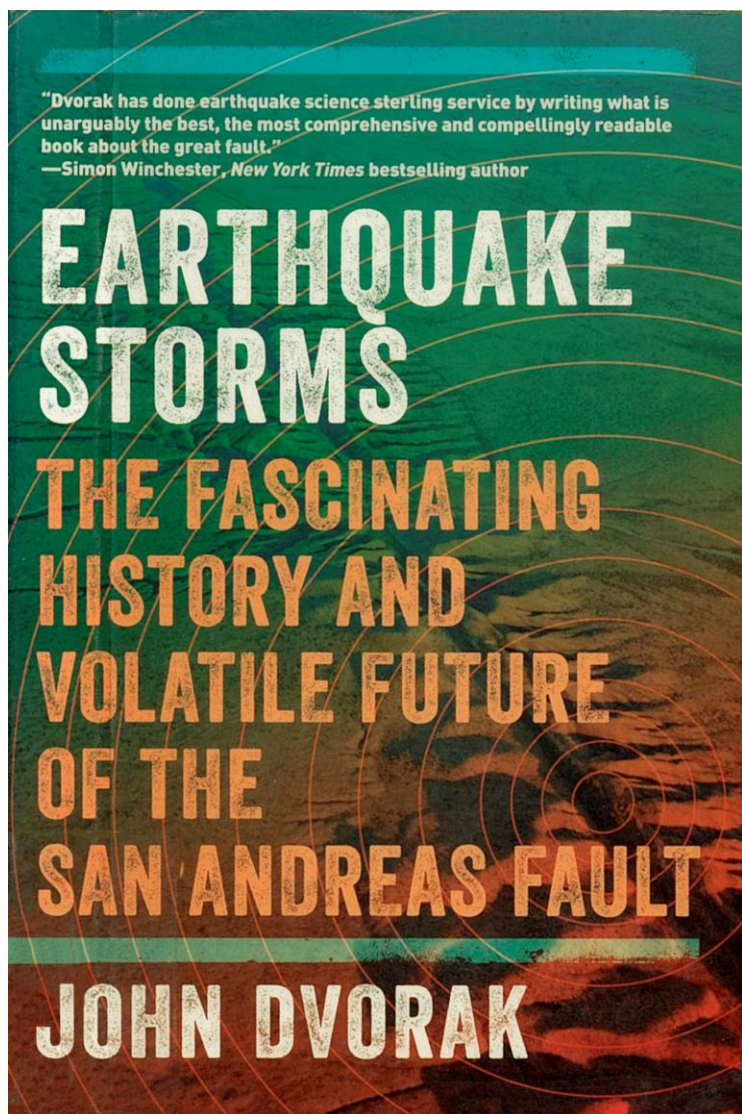


Earthquake Storms

by John Dvorak



“Dvorak has done earthquake science sterling service by writing what is unarguably the best, the most comprehensive and compellingly readable book about the great fault, America's 800 mile long seismic danger zone, that will one day affect all of our lives.”
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It's a geological feature that runs almost the entire length of California. Major highways and interstates cross it. Housing developments have been built over it. Its name is synonymous with the very idea of an earthquake. Yet, to many of those who are affected by it, the San Andreas Fault seems invisible and shrouded in mystery.

- *Earthquake Storms* explains the science behind the San Andreas Fault, a system that's key to our understanding of worldwide seismic activity.
- The book is peopled with memorable characters, including Alice Eastwood, who saved a major botanical collection from the 1906 quake, and Charles Richter, who gave his name to the scale by which earthquakes are measured.
- Fears of a major quake posed a serious challenge to the construction of the Golden Gate Bridge.
- Can earthquakes be predicted? "The answer, as it is seen today, is: maybe."
- Evidence of earthquakes has been found dating back thousands of years, all over the world. And this evidence supports the notion of "earthquake storms," sequences of earthquakes extending over a lengthy period and often separated by years.

