

Illustrates the human side of the Vietnam War., April 23, 2011

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This review is from: **Distant War: Recollections of Vietnam, Laos and Cambodia (Paperback)**

Marc Yablonka's DISTANT WAR is a journey through the author's journalistic contributions to the Southeast Asia region of the world following the Vietnam War. Yablonka, a free lance writer who has provided articles to Stars and Stripes, Vietnam, and many other publications throughout his career, touches on many unique aspects of the region and how it was affected by the conflict. His articles deal with not only the warriors on both sides, but also the civilians caught in the middle. There are excellent writings about the CIA's Air America, the Montagnards, Red Cross volunteers, USO volunteers, and other journalists and photographers. The end result is an unusually human side to the Vietnam War that isn't often seen and can be thoroughly enjoyed.

In addition to exceptionally well written work, the book also boasts some very good pictures at the end of each story, which help provide depth and connection to the subject explored.

I have read dozens of books on the Vietnam War, but this one was unique. Those with an interest in the Vietnam War, the Southeast Asia region, or those who served there in any capacity, military or civilian) will enjoy this book.