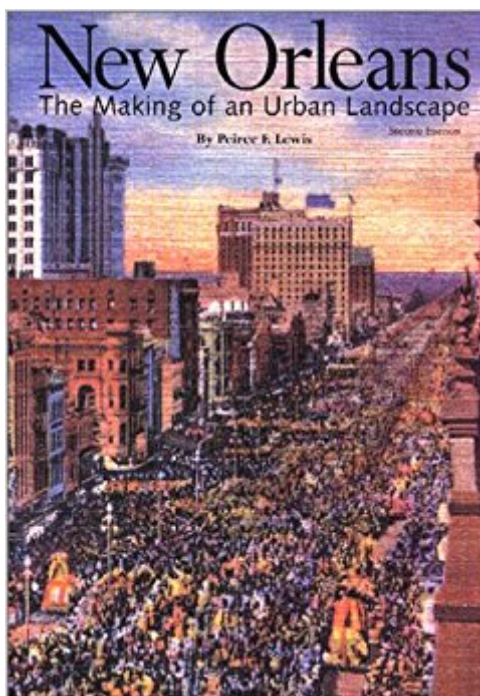


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New Orleans: The Making Of An Urban Landscape



Synopsis

In his now classic work of historical geography, published in 1976, Lewis traces the rise and expansion of New Orleans through four major historic periods. This second edition offers a revised and greatly expanded look at this unique community on the Mississippi Delta--"a fearsome place, difficult enough for building houses, lunacy for wharves and skyscrapers."

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Peirce Lewis's long overdue second edition is just as pleasurable to read as the original. It exposes the flaws of an inhospitable site, the richness of the local architecture, and the complexities of the city's social geography with a flair and clarity we should all aspire to. (Craig E. Colten, Louisiana State University) Peirce Lewis's original New Orleans earned iconic status in geographical writing on the American city. The appearance of a thoroughly reworked new edition is a devoutly welcome event. (Michael P. Conzen, University of Chicago)

Peirce Lewis, former President of the Association of American Geographers and Professor Emeritus at the Pennsylvania State University, has published widely on the American landscape.

If only there was a book like this written for every major city. This book covers all of the contexts of the city; geological, topographical, sociological, and economical. It is wonderful to know how this precious city developed and struggled since its birth. Pierce Lewis writes with a sense of humor that makes this read easy and enjoyable.

The book was brand new, great decent price, no bent or dirty pages, and definitely arrived on time when I needed it. I highly recommend this person.

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New Orleans is an "inevitable city on an impossiblesite" is what Pierce Lewis said in his book Making Of An Urban Landscape.I would add to that "an inevitable party on an impossible site by illicite and illogical people.'Most of what is there now was not there prior to WWII. The early settlers (1699) understood the land and built appropriately.If anyone is to blame it is the French! But it is a most wonderful book about the growth and development of a wonderful city.

Reading that Starr fellows review raised some questions for me about this book. Does this book really suggest that New Orleans is an expression of baby boomer identity or "distemper"? My God, a city an expression of a recent generation? This is absurd. Let me guess, Starr is a boomer who is in love with himself. Gives me second thoughts about buying the book.

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