



Stealing God's Thunder: Benjamin Franklin's Lightning Rod and the Invention of America

By Philip Dray

Random House Trade. Paperback / softback. Book Condition: new. BRAND NEW, Stealing God's Thunder: Benjamin Franklin's Lightning Rod and the Invention of America, Philip Dray, "Dray captures the genius and ingenuity of Franklin's scientific thinking and then does something even more fascinating: He shows how science shaped his diplomacy, politics, and Enlightenment philosophy."-Walter Isaacson, author of Benjamin Franklin: An American Life Today we think of Benjamin Franklin as a founder of American independence who also dabbled in science. But in Franklin's day, the era of Enlightenment, long before he was an eminent statesman, he was famous for his revolutionary scientific work. Pulitzer Prize finalist Philip Dray uses the evolution of Franklin's scientific curiosity and empirical thinking as a metaphor for America's struggle to establish its fundamental values. He recounts how Franklin unlocked one of the greatest natural mysteries of his day, the seemingly unknowable powers of lightning and electricity. Rich in historical detail and based on numerous primary sources, Stealing God's Thunder is a fascinating original look at one of our most beloved and complex founding fathers.



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