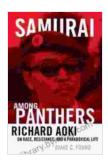
The Paradoxes of Richard Aoki: A Critical Exploration of Race, Resistance, and Identity

Richard Aoki was a Japanese American activist, scholar, and artist who made significant contributions to the fields of critical race theory, Asian American studies, and social justice. Born in 1938 in Berkeley, California, Aoki grew up in a working-class family and attended the University of California, Berkeley, where he became involved in the Asian American Movement. In the 1960s and 1970s, Aoki was a leading figure in the Third World Liberation Front and the Black Panther Party, and he played a key role in the development of critical race theory.



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communities. He was a committed revolutionary, but he also believed in the importance of nonviolent resistance. He was a proud Asian American, but he also believed that Asian Americans were part of a larger multiracial movement for social justice.

Richard Aoki: On Race, Resistance, and the Paradoxical Life is a critical exploration of Aoki's life and work. The book examines Aoki's complex and often contradictory views on race, resistance, and identity, and his enduring legacy as a social justice advocate. The book features essays by leading scholars in the fields of critical race theory, Asian American studies, and social movement studies, and it provides a comprehensive overview of Aoki's life and work.

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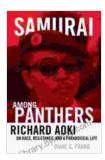
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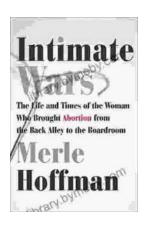
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