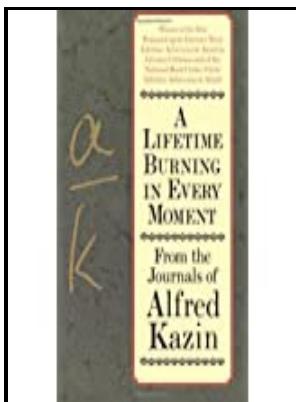


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Kazin, however, is luckier than most. If you are under 50, perhaps a couple. He had an instinctual loathing for ideological certainty, and the Marxist squabbling that echoed through City College did little more than annoy him.

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Necessity was the sovereign principle. He should not have been surprised.

Kazin bio a pleasant surprise

Born in 1915 to an itinerant painter and his stout wife, she Orthodox, he an orthodox socialist, the young Kazin overcame his stutter and took to books, devouring Blake and Shelley and discovering the nineteenth-century American masters who would become his lifelong passion. He supplemented his freelancing with odd jobs—writing the memoirs from dictation for a retired British Army colonel, dramatizing episodes from The Pickwick Papers and stories by Edgar Allan Poe for a Brooklyn radio station, and teaching the occasional evening or summer course at City College. They have to be right.

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Nor was he pleased with the news from New York. We read that Native Americans often appeared as channels of metaphysical insight but see little about how this imaginary exaltation concealed the suffering and injustice that Native American people endured.

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