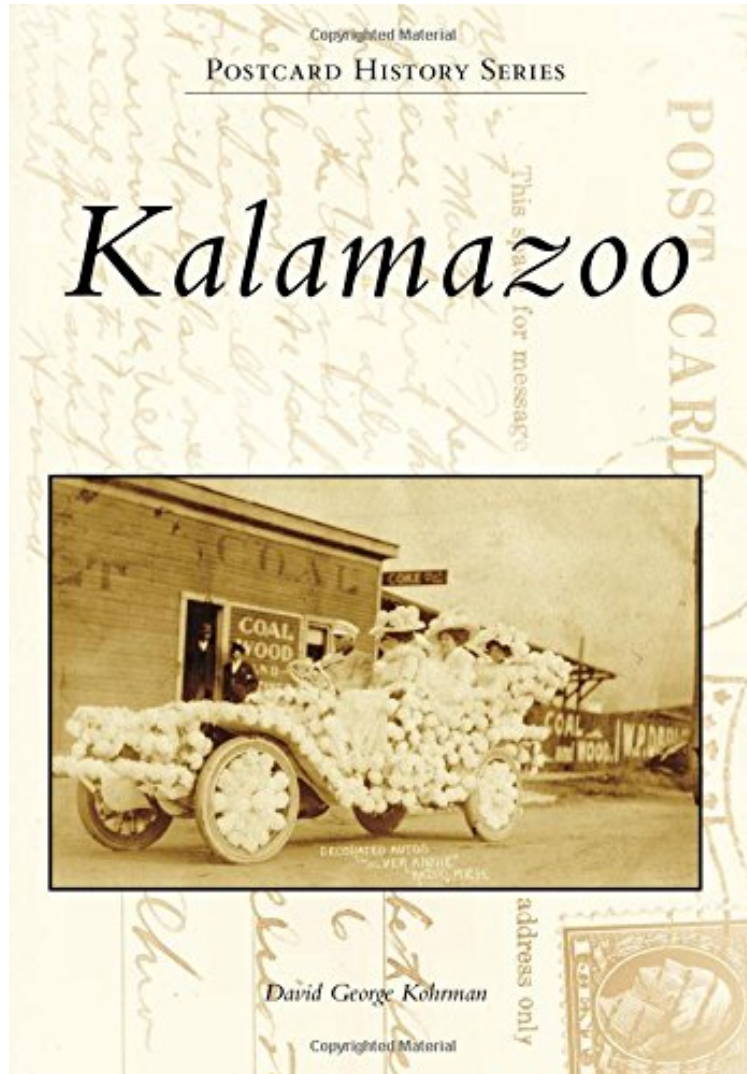


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David George Kohrman : Kalamazoo (Postcard History Series) before purchasing it in order to gauge whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Kalamazoo (Postcard History Series):

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. kalamazoo, zoo, zoo? By Michigan Reviewer I have seen many of these books written about different cities in the state of Michigan. This, of course, is Kalamazoo. Story is told via vintage post cards. Although we are only about an hour from the city we have not visited often. After reading this book we may have to remedy that. Postcards are separated into different groupings. Great explanations of the buildings, areas, etc. I would bet that for Kalamazoo natives the book would be fascinating. Even with my relative ignorance of the city I found it quite well done. The series is printed in the USA. Very well produced books. For those

with a thirst for more Michigan knowledge.

Kalamazoo experienced a dramatic transformation during the first decades of the 20th century. Its factories churned out a wide variety of products, and the downtown area was being rapidly transformed by the addition of new skyscraper office buildings, hotels, department stores, theaters, parks, and government buildings. These turn-of-the-century developments coincided with the popularity of picture postcards. Not only did postcards offer a convenient way to send brief messages across the country, they also provided a means to show off the city and its landmarks. When viewed today, they offer a valuable record of the city's built environment.

About the Author David Kohrman was born and raised in the Kalamazoo area and holds degrees in history and historic preservation. He began collecting postcards over 20 years ago and has amassed nearly a thousand views. The postcards featured in this book have been selected from this collection as well as from the collections of the Kalamazoo Public Library and the Kalamazoo Valley Museum.