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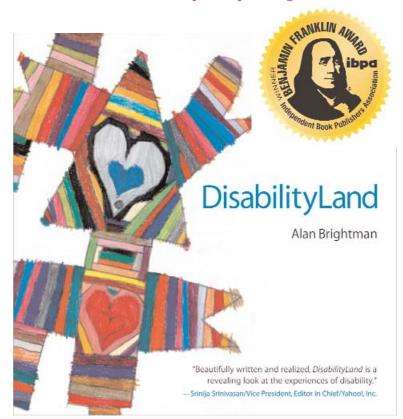
Disability Land by Alan Brightman

SelectBooks is pleased to announce that *DisabilityLand* is a winner in the 2009 IBPA (Independent Book Publishers Association)

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D isabilityLand is the place where people with disabilities live, work, play, fret, hope and succeed. Or not. And where everyone else may or may not know-or care-who they are.

This collection of observations, anecdotes and questions are drawn from Dr. Alan Brightman's singular experiences in the field of disabilities for more than three decades. Together, Brightman's writings provide the kind of insight into the disabled experience that only someone intimately familiar with the territory and endlessly curious about its inhabitants could provide.

There is no prescribed order in the pages of *DisabilityLand* just as there are few predictable happenings in the real life of those who wander its terrain. Its pages consist of brief stories-some as short as two sentences, others as long as three pages-in which one life experiences another.

DisabilityLand is not about the subject of disability; it's not a study. It is instead about the unvarnished everyday-ness of disability; it's a series of rich, human, ordinary, and surprising encounters.

This book is beautifully decorated with artwork from NIAD (National Institute of Art and Disabilities), an innovative visual arts center assisting adults with developmental and other physical disabilities find an outlet for their creative expression

Dr. Alan Brightman is the Senior Policy Director for Special Communities at Yahoo!, Inc., and was the Founder of Apple Computer's Worldwide Disability Solutions Group. The author of numerous books and the producer of an award-winning TV series and stage play, Brightman is widely recognized as an energetic and eloquent advocate for disabled children and adults.