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Dear Editor/producer:

In Her Hands, Craftswomen changing the World (powerhouse Books, January 2004, paperback edition) is a book of stunning photographs and intimate text that will leave you touched and awed by the courage, spirit and tenacity of women artisans --- all poor, many illiterate --- from around the world, who have taken charge of their lives by creating and selling their tradition crafts.

Women from South Africa to India, Bali to Peru, from twelve countries in all, talk a bout their lives and aspirations. What emerges is the joy and optimism about their work and how it allows them to provide better nutrition and education for their children. Many describe their excitement in forming cooperatives and credit associations to market their crafts. Several talk about how their work opened the world to them: one, explaining how she left her one-room home for the first time in order to take her products to market.

Motivated by the 1995 United Nations Fourth World Conference on Women in Beijing and fueled by a passion for folk art, two extraordinary women themselves, Paola Gianturco and Toby Tuttle, have produced a beautifully photographed documentary of the ninety craftswomen they interviewed.

Including an eloquent and provocative Foreward by Alice Walker, In Her Hands celebrates a global women's movement, one that links women around the world and the beautiful crafts they make --- to a better life for their families and future generations.

Gianturco and Tuttle are available to discuss their incredible journey to twenty-eight villages on four continents, and the women they met. Please contact me to set up an interview.

With best wishes,

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