

Dear Tastemaker,

We're pleased as punch to announce our best-looking book yet,

DEGREES OF SEPARATION

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This limited edition volume binds together 32 full-color, detachable postcards wrapped in a gorgeous customized sleeve.

The editor and creator, Samia Saleem, started *Degrees of Separation* as an online magazine for designers with ties to New Orleans. After Hurricane Katrina scattered the Big Easy's residents across the country, Saleem put out a call to designers to create postcards to their forgotten city. Now, *Degrees of Separation* has reached full fruition as a perfect-bound book showcasing the artwork of 24 designers and artists who have relocated, returned, or felt the ramifications of the disaster in their lives. This visually stunning collection of postcards beautifully articulates the varied reactions to disaster: the horrors of losing one's home; the mixed emotions of beginning anew; the need to hang on to memories. Participants in the project who were displaced by Katrina moved to various cities across the country, including Portland, Los Angeles, Chicago, New York, Atlanta and Seattle.

Samia Saleem (samiasaleem.com) was born and raised in New Orleans, but was displaced to Seattle, where she makes a living as an interactive designer. featherproof books is honored to release *Degrees of Separation*, as our first design book.

More information is available on the *Degrees of Separation* website: degreesnola.com, or at featherproof.com. Review copies are available. However, because of the high cost of the project, if a high-resolution pdf file is acceptable, we would be happy to send one for your perusal.

Full press kit, including author photos, postcard samples and book cover, can be found at www.featherproof.com. Just click on 'press' and scroll on down. Or email us at press@featherproof.com

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