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in society. Drawing on his own understanding of blindness and narratives by other disabled people, he challenges us to come to grips with social meanings attached to disability.

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Michalko concludes with a passionate call to 'come out' as disabled and stop being caught up in the seductive power of the 'normal'."-Choice "...thought-provoking; it makes a refreshing contribution to disability studies and will be of great interest to scholars and students in the field."-The Canadian of Sociology and Anthropology "Michalko advances contemporary scholarship not just by his reflections on the underlying grammar of our everyday talk on 'suffering' and on 'persons with disability' but by the self-exemplifying nature of his own text. The Difference That Disability Makes will make as important a contribution to theoretical developments on the 'self' as it will to our understanding of disability."-C.N. Doran, Department of Social Science, University of New Brunswick "This is a savvy and provocative analysis of the cultural structures undergirding the reception of disability in contemporary North America (particularly of blindness). 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