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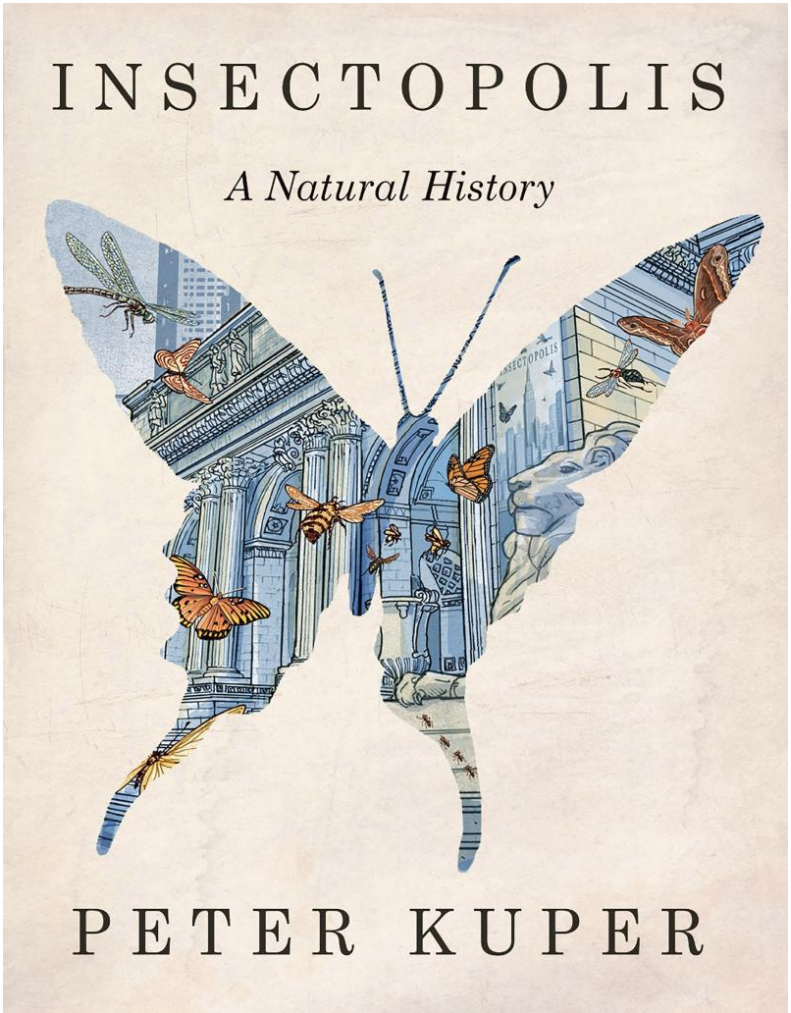

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Kuper also illuminates pioneering naturalists, from well-known figures like E. O. Wilson and Rachel Carson to unheralded luminaries like Charles Henry Turner, the Black American scholar who documented arthropod intelligence, and Maria Sibylla Merian, the seventeenth- century German regarded as the mother of entomology.

Galvanized by the sixth extinction and the ongoing insect crisis, Kuper takes readers on an unforgettable journey.

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