

Nominated for  
**BOOK of the YEAR**  
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# THE DECOY ARTIST

## AMERICA'S LAST HUNTER-CARVER

An illustrated novel by David F. Giannetto

***"The Decoy Artist... brings to life the beauty of waterfowl and the spirit of the men who pursue them."***

- Rob Leslie, DU Artist of the Year

***"A tribute to a forgotten heritage that is uniquely American."***

- Jaclyn Stewart, Director, Tuckerton Seaport

***"An intimate look into the life and times of renowned carver, Vincent Giannetto, III."***

- Jay Strangis, Editor,  
American Waterfowl Magazine

***"A lovely, heartfelt, profusely illustrated memoir... packed with historical and regional Delaware River lore."***

- Gene Santoro, American History Magazine

A young boy's true-life story tells the uniquely American history of decoy carvers who would become legendary waterfowlers, the origins of this distinctly American art form, and the little understood linkage a decoy represents between a man, the environment and his beliefs, revealing their struggles as this boy struggles to become the last of this dying breed.

- the true history of legendary carvers such as Fitzpatrick, McCloughlin, English, and others
- 40 historic, never before seen photographs
- over 120 illustrations spanning over 100 years
- featuring the life and artwork of Vincent Giannetto, III

