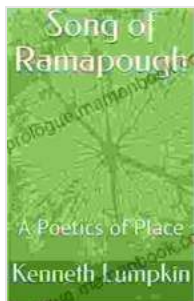


Song of Ramapough: Poetics of Place

The Ramapough Lenape are an indigenous people of the New York-New Jersey metropolitan area. They have a long and complex history, dating back to the 17th century. In recent years, the Ramapough have experienced a resurgence of cultural awareness and activism. This has led to a renewed interest in their traditional arts, including their poetry.

Ramapough poetry is often characterized by its strong sense of place. The poets write about the natural world, the human community, and the history of their people. Their work is often infused with a deep spirituality and a commitment to social justice.



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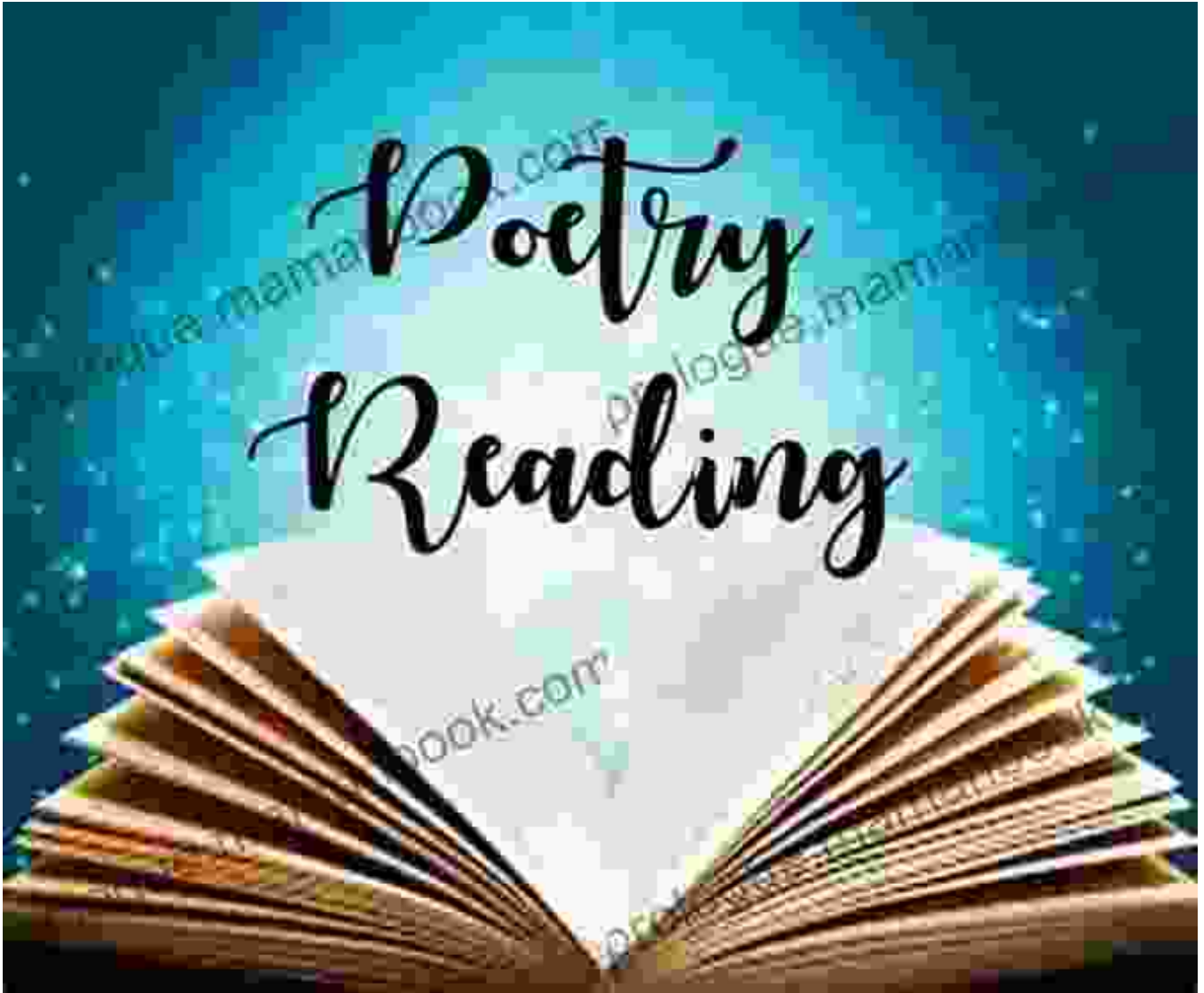
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The Natural World

The natural world is a central theme in Ramapough poetry. The poets celebrate the beauty and bounty of their homeland, and they mourn the loss of traditional lands and resources. In their work, the natural world is often seen as a source of strength and healing.



The Human Community

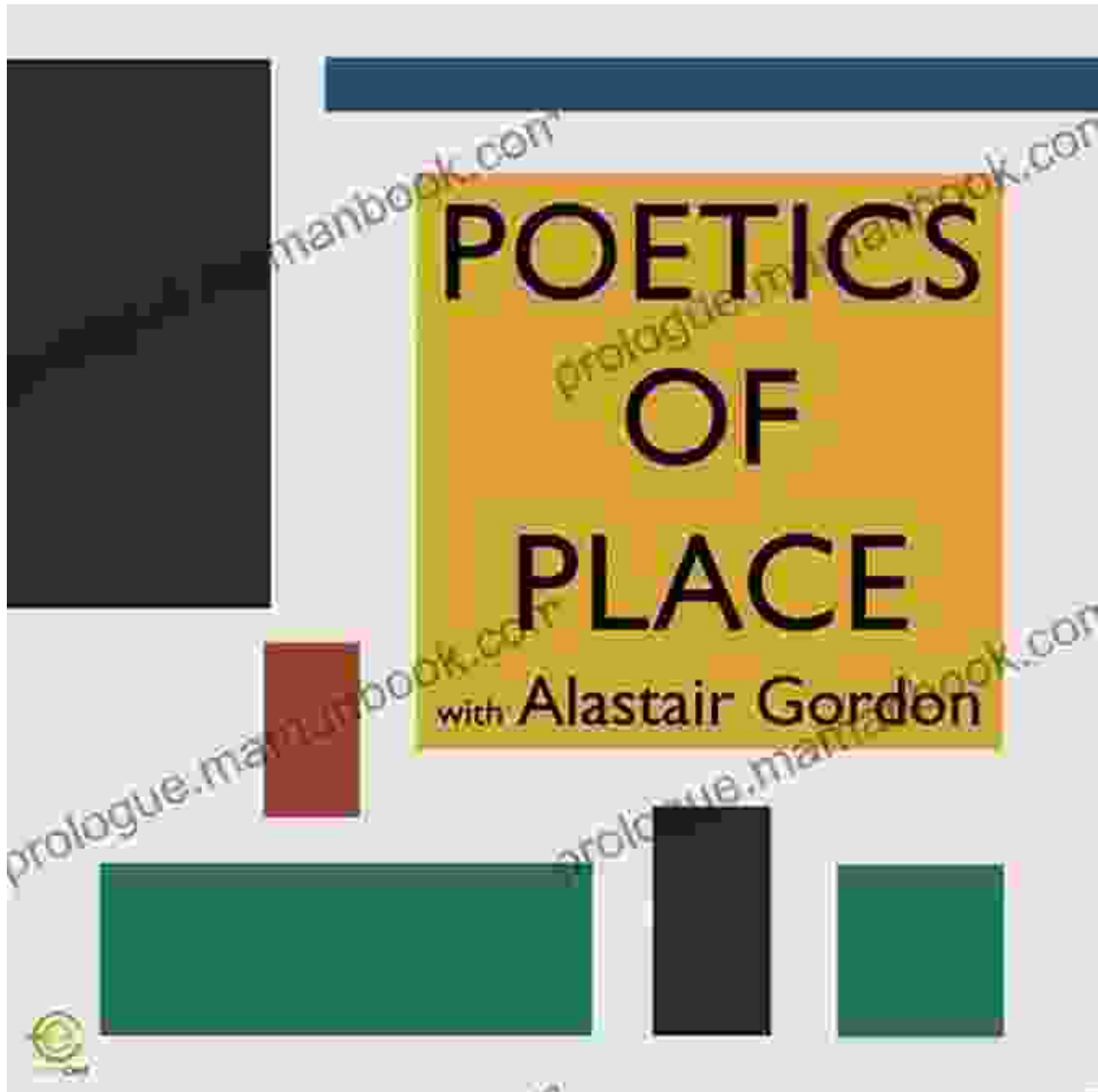
The human community is another important theme in Ramapough poetry. The poets write about the bonds of family and friendship, the challenges of living in a changing world, and the struggles for justice and equality. Their work is often infused with a deep sense of compassion and empathy.



Ramapough community members gathering

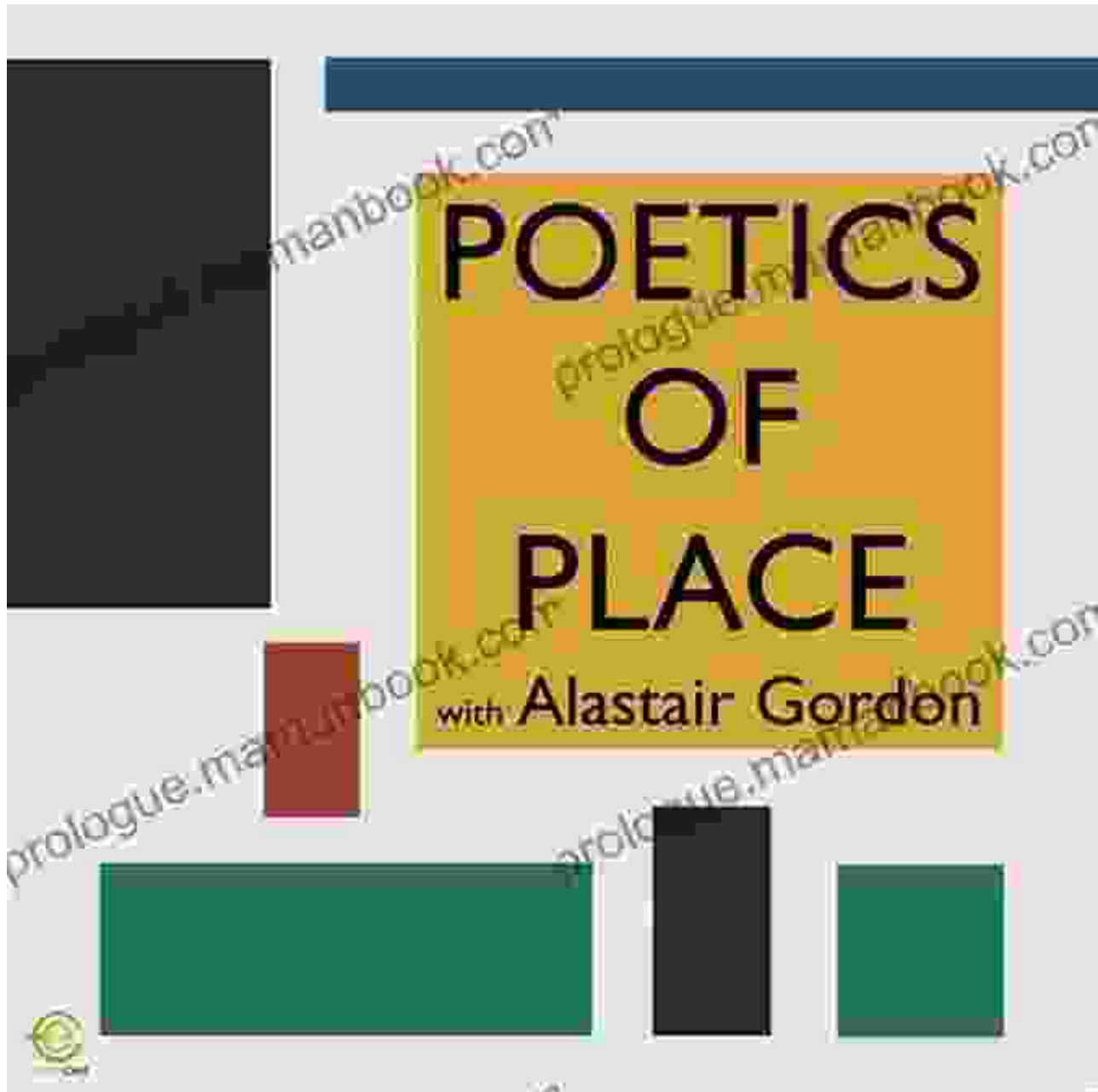
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History is a recurring theme in Ramapough poetry. The poets write about the past in order to understand the present and to envision a better future. Their work often explores the complex and often painful relationship between Native Americans and European colonizers.



Spirituality

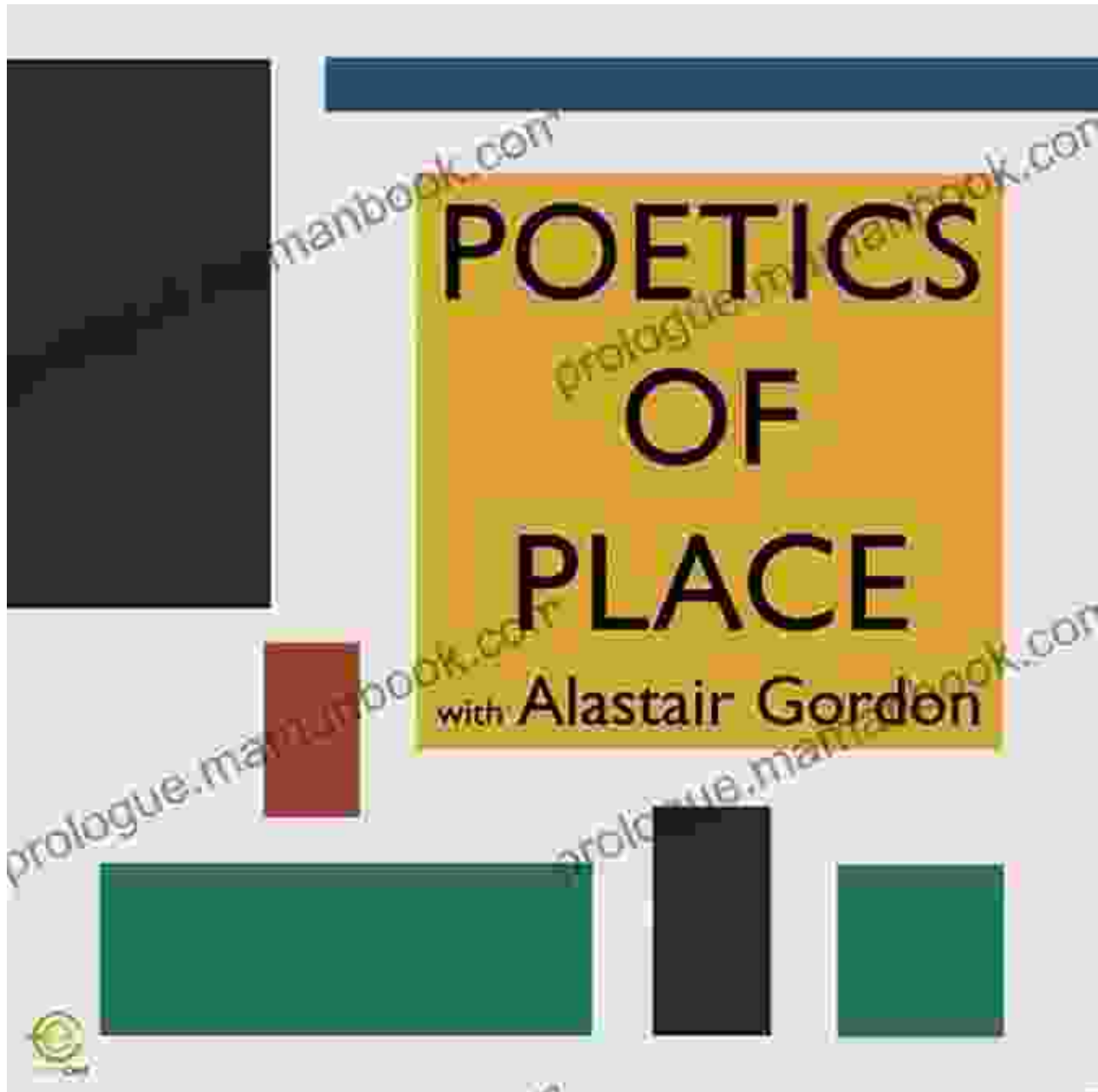
Spirituality is a central part of Ramapough life, and it is reflected in their poetry. The poets often write about their connection to the land, to their ancestors, and to the Creator. Their work is often infused with a deep sense of reverence and gratitude.



Ramapough spiritual ceremony

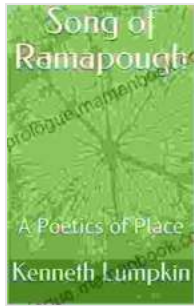
Social Justice

The Ramapough have a long history of fighting for justice and equality. This commitment is reflected in their poetry. The poets often write about the struggles of indigenous peoples, the plight of the poor and marginalized, and the need for a more just and equitable world.



Ramapough poetry is a rich and diverse tradition that celebrates the beauty of the natural world, the strength of the human community, and the struggles for justice and equality. The poets of Ramapough have a unique voice that speaks to the human condition and the importance of preserving our cultural heritage.

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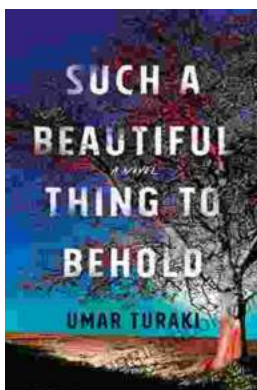


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