

## THURSDAY TRAVEL

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Guatemala is known for its colorful woven fabrics and also for its persevering people, who survived 36 years civil war. Both are celebrated in **"Viva Colores: A Salute to the Indomitable People of Guatemala"** by photographer Paul Gianturco and writer (and former KQED chairman)

David Hill (Powerhouse Books; 144 pages; \$39.95). The bilingual text profiles 41 individuals making a difference in their communities, including a man whose spinal cord was severed by a robber's bullet when he was 14 and who now runs a job-training and counseling program for disabled young men. There's also a woman who organized the wives of her village into a pine-tree-growing cooperative when the men in her village could not earn enough to feed their families. The stories are inspiring, and the vivid photos of people and fabrics, flora and fauna are breathtaking.