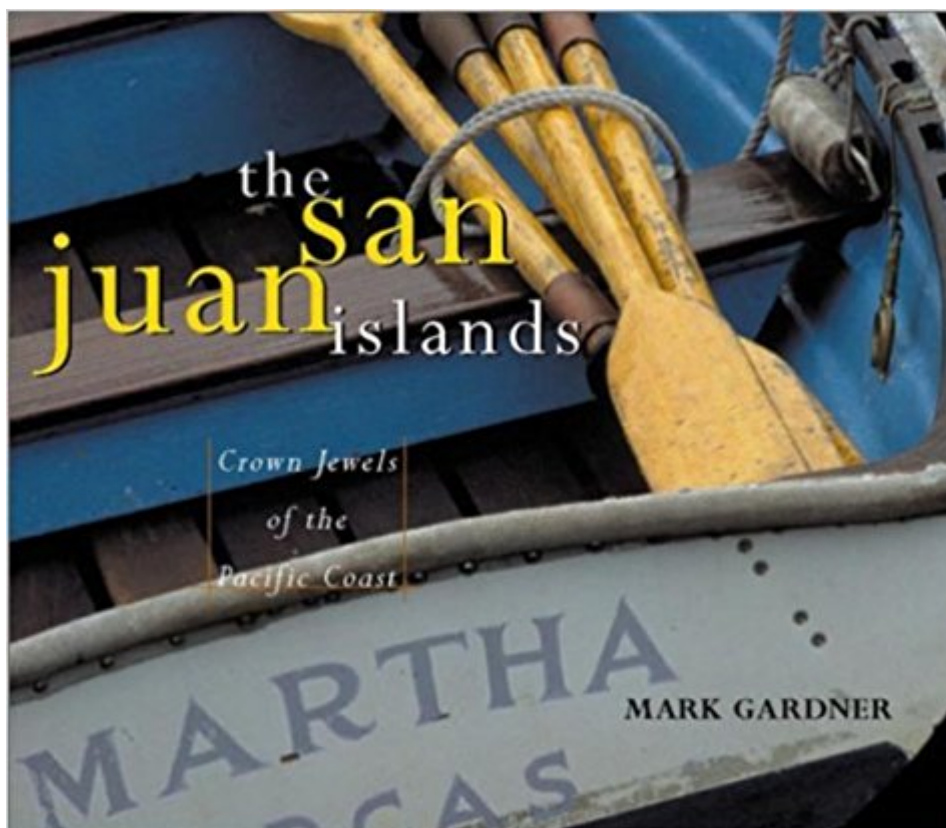


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residents who are "determined to preserve the last island frontier

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