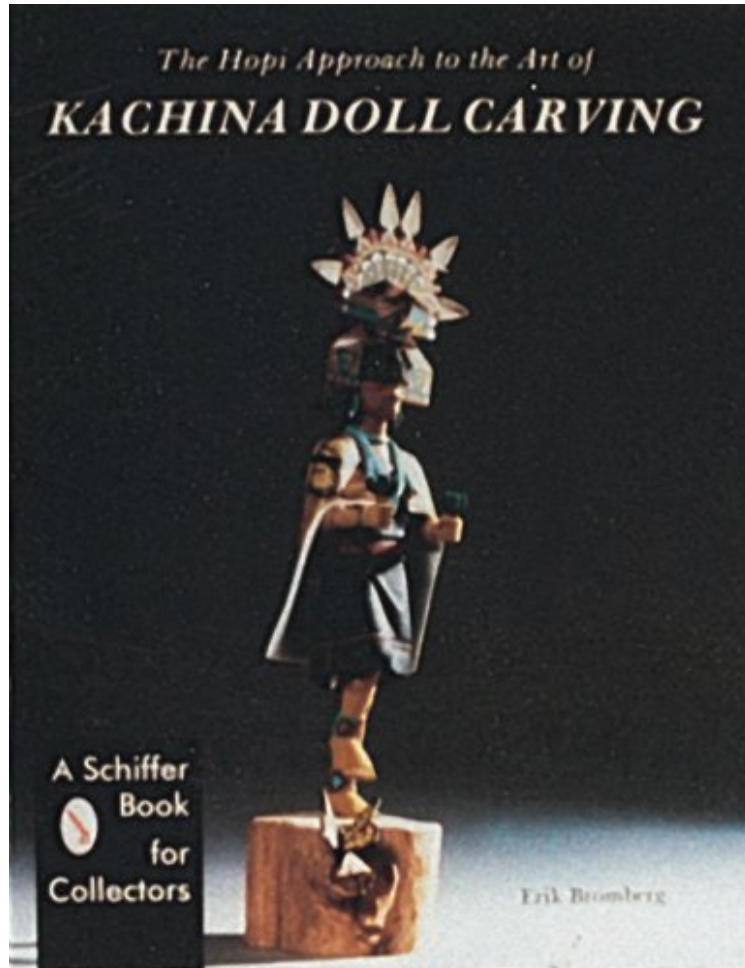


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About the Author Mr. Bromberg's sensitive scholarship brings insight to this art form and should inspire the artists as well as the collectors. Living in Albuquerque with his wife, Mr. Bromberg makes frequent and lengthy visits to Hopi land.