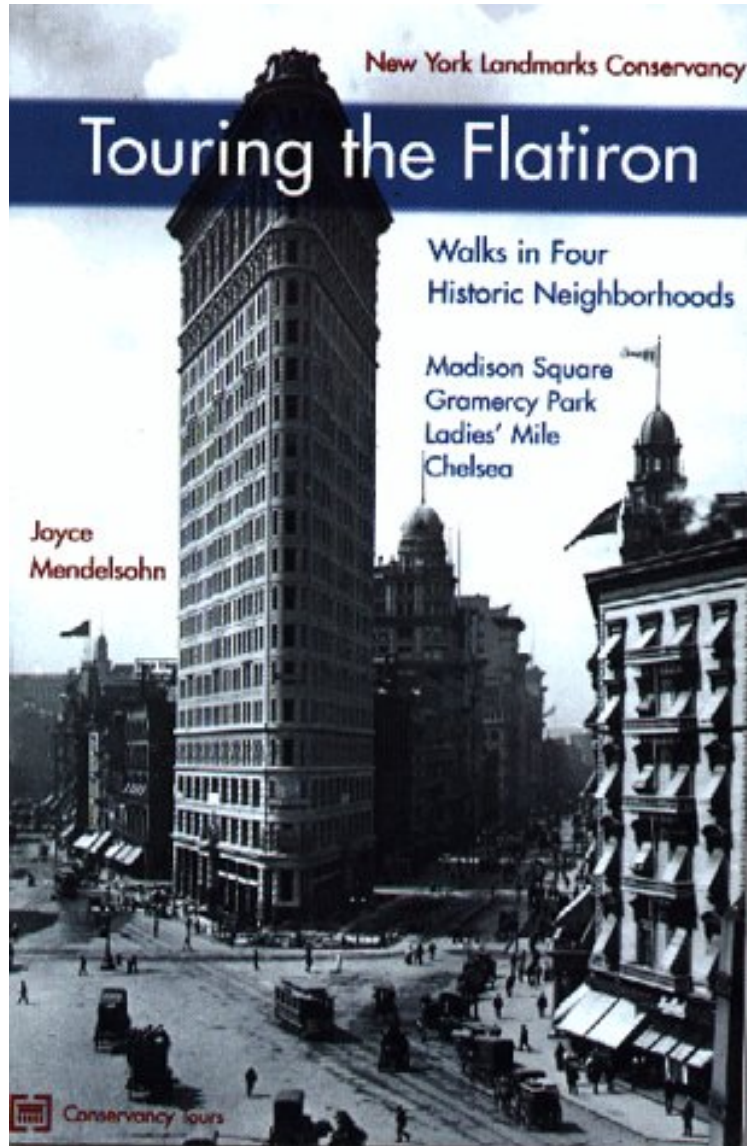


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About the Author New York Landmarks Conservancy is a private, not-for-profit organization dedicated to preserving, protecting, and reusing architecturally significant buildings. Their two other walking tour guides are Touring Historic Harlem and Touring the Upper East Side. Joyce Mendelsohn is an historian and author who teaches New York City history and architecture at The New School. Author of 25 Years of Preserving New York, 1973-1998, a History of the New York Landmarks Conservancy, she is available for illustrated slide lectures, walking tours and signings.