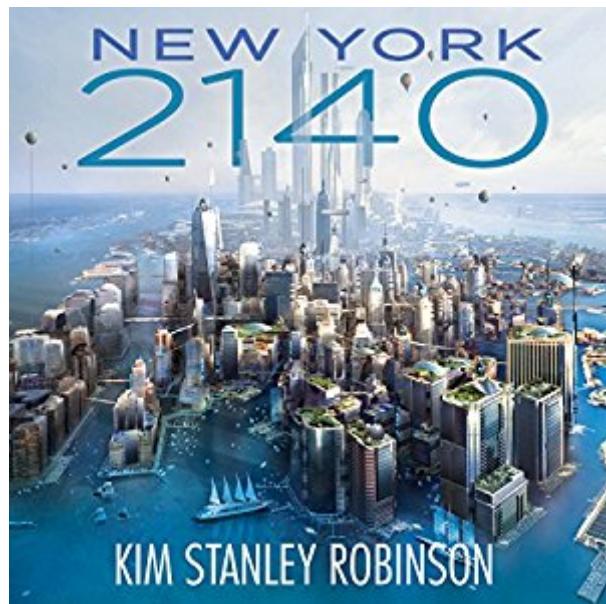


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# New York 2140



## **Synopsis**

A new vision of the future from Kim Stanley Robinson, the New York Times best-selling author of science-fiction masterworks such as the Mars trilogy, 2312, and Aurora. The waters rose, submerging New York City. But the residents adapted, and it remained the bustling, vibrant metropolis it had always been. Though changed forever. Every street became a canal. Every skyscraper an island. Through the eyes of the varied inhabitants of one building, Kim Stanley Robinson shows us how one of our great cities will change with the rising tides. And how we, too, will change. The complete list of narrators includes Suzanne Toren, Robin Miles, Peter Ganim, Jay Snyder, Caitlin Kelly, Michael Crouch, Ryan Vincent Anderson, Christopher Ryan Grant, and Robert Blumenfeld.

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## **Customer Reviews**

Not KSR's best effort, from a writing standpoint, but the scenario of coastal city flooding, financial collapse, and social chaos is all too plausible.

Love Kim Stanley Robinson's vision of the future. Very thoughtful look at a world of water and environmental disaster. Cool book.

An engrossing read by a sophisticated author. New York is flooded but soldiers on.

It was fascinating and covered lots of topics - I learned so much while being entertained on history

of New York, politics, finance, banking and the environment

Very good story of life post two floodings of the world. Focusing on NYC. There is a fair amount of climate change preaching. The main story line is very good. Well written

This is a book for technophiles, revolutionaries, visionaries, reactionaries, financiers, historians, and philosophers, among others. And that is both its strength and its weakness, as the story is much more about its ideas and predictions than it is about its characters. The science presented is real, if perhaps a little on the extreme side, predicting a 50 foot rise in sea levels and what New York City would look like under such a scenario. New York's geology, terrain, and history are major players here, and those not familiar with the city may find themselves a little lost. At the same time, New York's flavor of being a giant melting pot and a nexus for 'where things happen' adds much to the basic story. There is a lot of cool tech arrayed before the reader, things that are quite possible, things that make the idea of New York as a still viable, complex, and giant world influence even while it is three quarters drowned very much believable. This is a story of how humans cope with disruptive events, and as such is highly optimistic, making this far from the dystopia one might expect, given its basic scenario. At the same time, Robinson's proclivity for presenting small-c communistic concepts of human groups and interactions I found somewhat pollyannaish, especially the ending, detracting from the overall believability of the story. A good read, complex, frightening and uplifting simultaneously, and something that perhaps a certain President should read and take to heart.---Reviewed by Patrick Shepherd (hyperpat)

In 120 years little has changed except rising of the sea which has put much of New York under water. A large hurricane has also battered the city and the banks have failed. Is this enough for resilient New Yorkers to finally help push through the progressive agenda? This provocative novel explores these questions.

Robinson conveys the nitty gritty environmental, social, and financial realities of half-drowned NYC in 2140. His characters win you affection and interest as they make the best of this new SuperVenice but also face down the hegemony of oligarchy and run-amok greed.

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