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Emerging author Aiyana Allen publishes a collection of fantasy stories about the experience of black and brown persons titled, “The Many Stories of Black Womxn.”

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Charlotte, NC December 13, 2023 – Aiyana’s collection centers around the stories of young black and brown women who have experienced interpersonal loss, trying to redefine what they want from life, and who they are.

The first story featured in the collection is titled “Everlasting” In this sci-fi fantasy realm a young woman named Sadora, finds a butterfly who she believes to be her mother’s spirit. She follows the insect down to a portal that transports her to another land, where she is bound to discover the unthinkable about herself.

“Wylde Night” is a flash fiction story about a girl named, Wylma after her recently passed, Nana Wylma, who nicknamed her Wylde. Wylde disappears into her grandmother’s closet searching for nostalgia when she discovers a mirror, which is odd because her nana hated mirrors. Upon discovery, she trips and falls inside, *Wonderland* style. Wylde finds herself staring at a castle and two guards, a panther, and a cat lady, who help her uncover Nana Wylma’s biggest secret that will redefine who Wylde is.

In the story excerpt “Daughter of Zeus” Aiyana writes of another female protagonist whose best friend was killed tragically. The girl’s name is Mela, and she is unaware of her status as a demigod until she wanders off into a moon pool where she meets a girl with fins for feet, who also claims to be her sister.

The last story of the collection, “Ophelia’s History” is a flash fiction revamp of the Egyptian myth of Osiris, Isis, and Horus. In this retelling of the story, karma wins above all else, and Isis gets the family she’s yearned for. Aiyana introduces a few new elements to the story adding a new character, a wizard and magic helping to change the narrative of the original.

About The Author

Aiyana Allen is a film writer who specializes in adult animation. She attends Full Sail University where she is pursuing a Bachelor of Fine Arts in Creative Writing. She deems creativity to be fruit for the soul and is an art enthusiast. Any time she is not writing she can be found reading, gaming, or making some form of content, whether art, photography, or videography.

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