

## **Devastating Beauty**

2021

She mystifies you with her  
movements...

Defies you with her groove.

You try to uncover her  
weaknesses...

Within her Queening mood.  
Dopenes is her nature,

Makes hearts skip a few beats.

Altruistic in behaviors,

Saved by Grace and from the  
streets.

You must completely blind her,

To plunge the dagger in her back.

Tried feeding her to the wolves...

Now she's the leader the pack.

I met this amazing girl y'all

I swear she's so fine and divine.

Her hair it waves

And also misbehaves

And her skin it shines bright

Just like mine.

I met this amazing woman.

I'm telling you

well spoken and smart.

Her style...her dress

She stands out from the rest

Her responses are

Kind, just and sharp.

She's strong  
but she has a good heart.

I met an absolute Queen.

She makes the room shift  
By the sway of her hips  
with a look and a walk that's so mean.

I swear this woman is clean.

But doesn't keep many friends or  
even collect enemies  
She won't even connect  
With those who reject her  
Teaching them to practice proximity.

She values her privacy.  
Intellectually and  
Intimately. Undeniably.

I met this devastatingly beautiful Queen

Have you seen  
A sanguine radiant being....

A Devastating Beauty ....

I became humble  
And vulnerable to know her.  
As she's very precise on selection.

It took time  
It took years,  
Many Tears  
And some fears  
Despite the sneers  
I finally gained introspection.

I met this woman in my very own reflection.

### **For You, Dear George (2021)**

No need for a long poem or a real  
deep think piece in regards to the  
recent behavior of America's Bad  
Police. During this trial  
coincidentally while working their  
Beats, officers still gunned down  
minorities in the Minnesota  
streets.\_\_\_\_\_

How could they try to convince us we didn't see what we saw?

9MINUTES, 29SECONDS,  
40 witnesses told the world of it all.\_\_\_\_\_  
But you stall,  
"He overdosed!  
Panicking!  
His heart was too small!

He was resisting and kicking!!!

Sucking on the exhaust!!!

His kidney must have failed!!!

It wasn't my fault!!!

He paid with a phony bill!!!

You see HE broke the law!!!" "The

crowd was distracting me,

Shouting out 1st aid techniques.

Maybe he had heart disease...

I heard his mother is deceased." \_\_\_\_\_

And once again this week it's white  
supremacy keeping us on the edge of  
our seats

just as this verdict is reached... \_\_\_\_\_ Either  
way it'll be hard.

They've got the National Guard.

Protesters in the Courthouse front yard, "We  
demand a conviction on every charge!!!!" \_\_\_\_\_ The  
perp is found guilty.

His actions nothing short of sadistic.

For the remainder of history he will be recorded as:

Officer Chauvinistic.

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### **Bio Poem (2020)**

People like me

Probably

I don't know

Sometimes I can be rougher than the skin on my elbows I've  
worn holes in the knees of my pants praying to false Gods for  
undesirable things My hair is long short straight and wavy  
Pretty much whatever I decide

My hair

She hears me

And NEVER cooperates with Euro standards

Sometimes I can't tell which one of us is more defiant in that notion

My skin is smooth

It's dark but smoothest

after Dark

But I doubt the confidence

Within Me

Matches the level of confidence you

think I possess

It is exhausting LIVING

And looking up to those

Who will deny your existence

And I can defend myself well

But I struggle with temperance

And fail at resistance...And

Sometimes I easily let go of the things I'm still holding on to

I rarely listen to what I'm told to do

But I'll hang on your every word

An obedient Rebel

With oh

So so many causes

Speaking all about change

while remembering

Every single action taken against me  
No matter who you were  
When you performed them  
I hate First Dates  
And last ones are even worse Do  
we ever know when we are  
experiencing either? I am human  
At least I'm supposed to be  
Most times...I think I am...I know I am...I'm sure of it I  
don't really know anymore...I can just guarantee you  
that maybe...it's a possibility.

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### I Am (2021)

I am the daughter of the Most High.  
A powerful lioness.  
Under His care,  
I'm fully aware Of what I  
do best.\_\_\_\_\_  
I am the daughter of Mama Earth.  
With the wind I am in tune.  
Friends with the Stars,  
From the Sun I recharge, And gain  
inspiration from the Moon.\_\_\_\_ I am the  
sister of Good Fortune.  
All I touch just turns to gold.  
I'm a necessary lesson,  
To receive your blessing.

A testimony sure to be told.\_\_\_\_\_

I am the Aunt of a New Generation.

Of powerful, activated descendants.

Protecting their rights,

Teaching them how to fight

For Justice instead of being defendants.\_\_\_\_\_

I am the Wife of Assured Success, Organization

and stability.

Promoting generational wealth,

Good news and Good Health,

For my beloved family.\_\_\_\_\_ I

am the Mother of Mankind.

Beholder of all life.

All flowers can bloom

Within my womb

Illuminating glorious light.\_\_\_\_\_ I

am who I am.

Created intricately and Grand.

So many hats I must wear.

I am the creation

That gifted this nation

On my back, carrying all I could bear.

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### **Just Like Me (2021)**

He kicked me so hard...

I had to take him back to the streets.

I said, "Ey what size are those?"

And snatched those shoes off his feet.

He yelled "Hey!"

I say, "Diddle diddle. Cat and fiddle!" Miss  
Niecey got some new shoes...  
And he balled up his fists  
And I place my hands on my hips saying,  
"Go on, do it and we will be on the news!"  
And the best part was him in socks  
Trying to run away But  
that battle quickly lost In  
that slippery hallway.  
Realizing his mistake  
And what I had done  
He marched back to me with clenched fist Red  
eyes and he swung!  
I told him to breathe  
But he gave me a right hook.  
Then proceeded to call me  
Just about EVERY BAD NAME in the book.  
And I took a few blows  
I swear the kid is solid  
Then gave him a big ole bear hug  
And tried to fill his ears with some knowledge.  
I was hurt...from the words...I heard from  
this child  
Not for myself but because he heard them, repeated them  
and that's wild  
I said, "Listen lil buddy. I'm am NOT A JERK. I'm only here to make sure you do ALL your work.  
And I promise if you finish it all And  
not be a dork we will go outside at  
lunchtime and build some snow

forts! I know you're bored with  
school because you just punched  
the wall.

But if you finish  
I will allow you to pummel me with some snowballs."

His eyes lit up and he shouted,  
"Deal! I'm gonna crush you when we get outside..."

And I said, "I know...you're frustrated." And  
swallowed all of my pride.

Because I know exactly how he's feeling  
Way deep down inside. I too was just  
like him growing up down the  
way...lower Eastside.

I really had to settle him  
and address what he did.

Explained respecting personal space Remembering  
he's only a kid.

Discipline and education are important.

Through the push and the shove  
Remind them too about responsibility  
And fill them with love. It's important  
to pour into our children With  
whatever we have. We want to avoid  
that anger stewing Not let them  
grow up mad.

And stop misconstruing Calling  
them bad...

Remember that we are just a reflection of Our  
Moms and Our Dads...

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## A Call

(2020) No justice.No

peace.

No racist police.

No justice. No peace.

They don't care for us in the least.

No justice. No peace.

Fix the system immediately.

No justice. No peace.

The US exposed internationally.

No justice. No peace.

The people have taken to the streets.

No justice. No peace.

We are marching to this beat.

No justice. No peace.

Because Breonna was asleep.

No justice. No peace.

George was killed by the oppressors knee.

No justice. No peace.

Kaepernick's kneel of solidarity.

No justice. No peace.

Proud Boys spread MAGA Covid 19.

No justice. No peace.

Trump wants to sue the entire country.

No justice. No peace.

Biden fills his cabinet with POCs.

No justice. No peace.

Until you let minorities be...

No justice. No peace.

Began with Bad police.

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### **Black Misery Revisited (2020)**

Misery is when you hear on national news... that your Homeland...

your birth place abundance in a rich culture...

is actually a shithole country...and you always thought it was home.\_\_\_\_\_

Misery is when during an international pandemic while quarantined your online teacher asks, "who is the president of the United States?" and someone shouts, "Make America Great Again!" \_\_\_\_\_

Misery is when foreign leaders after reviewing American election results

Gasp saying, "the guy from The Apprentice?" \_\_\_\_\_

Misery is also when a red hat...receives more attention

And a blue line more respect than ANY black life...\_\_\_\_\_

Misery is when our most trusted news sources

Present images of the late civil rights icon, Congressman Elijah Cummings

As we tried to grieve the passing of our civil rights icon

Congressman John Lewis...\_\_\_\_\_

Misery is when your white counterparts...Fail to give explanation...To your family and the world

On how you became missing. Bound...found deceased. Beaten in a cell...Hanging or

Rolled up in a gym mat.\_\_\_\_\_

Misery....Is when you are buried in a grave ...disturbed...after being stuffed

with the black lettered...white sheets of the same times that will surely fail

in covering your story...\_\_\_\_\_

Misery is when everyone in the neighborhood, with the exception of you has the latest technology...Clothes and shoes...\_\_\_\_\_

Misery is when on social media you're very best buddy from high school

with opposing political, religious and social economic views, posts

something you deem offensive and you unfriend them.\_\_\_\_\_

Misery is when YOU post something on social media,

Of opposing political, religious and social economic views,

Offending your very best buddy from high school

And they unfriend you.\_\_\_\_\_

Misery is when no one told you

That if you walk alone with your hoodie on

Play in the park with a toy gun

Pass a counterfeit bill

Or otherwise make any false moves

As a repercussion

You may be gunned down or smothered by police

Snuffed out.\_\_\_\_\_

Misery is when no one mentioned that authorities would be called by

concerned citizens who do not appreciate you walking your dog, barbequing

or resting in a Park.

Misery is spending time with your family at the company holiday party,

And children, meaning no harm, greet you

with words you've never before heard put together... like

"porch monkey" and "uppity negress"

Because it sounded silly when

Mommy and Daddy said it.\_\_\_\_\_

Misery is when you inadvertently discovered your moniker

The one they use when you are not present.\_\_\_\_\_

Misery is when welfare reform is being discussed on the news and

your neighborhood is broadcast...\_\_\_\_\_

Misery is when you have an ethnic sounding name,

Dark hair or skin tone

And people spend the entire day referring to you as exotic...\_\_\_\_\_

Misery is when you become an adult and through research for

no reason you discover all of your childhood games of tags

were led by sing songs that were products of deep seeded racist origin...\_\_\_\_\_

Misery is when our president speaks of our bordering nation, saying

Quote, "They are not our friends, believe me."

"They are bringing drugs and crime. They're rapists and some I assume are good people." \_\_\_\_\_

Misery is when you must continuously organize days of action, Plan

rallies and boycotts against companies

and organizations who do not support the marginalized and disenfranchised.\_\_\_\_\_

Misery is when you discover none of your favorite hair products the ones you

use everyday The ones you stand by...None

are actually black owned or manufactured.\_\_\_\_\_

Misery is when your favorite black actor

Gains success and wealth by mimicking women in the worst way possible

Misery is when your favorite Black actress can't gain the same notoriety by being her best self.

Misery is when your parents think your choices in arts,

music, literature, fashion or hobbies are just you trying to be white...

Misery is when your grandma buys you Team Jordans and you

asked for retros...\_\_\_\_\_

Misery is when the loudest, crudest and drunkest person flying in

first class is black...\_\_\_\_\_

Misery is when you are fast asleep in bed

after a hard day of work and you are murdered by a SWAT team

who claimed they simply made a mistake.\_\_\_\_\_

Misery is when your mama says,

Your Attorney General is skinfolk but he ain't Kinfolk.

But she never explains what that means...\_\_\_\_\_ Misery

is when your hair, God given and in it's own state,

whether or not its styled, becomes the center

of a Monumental Supreme Court case regarding cleanliness, appropriateness

and professionalism...\_\_\_\_\_ Misery is when you as a child unaware of many

things but

Completely certain

That Santa Claus, Jesus Christ and the President of the United States Were white.

Only to grow up and discover...

They are not.

### **Late Inauguration (2020)**

Late Inauguration. Degradation of a nation.

Fascination with sanitation. Painful truths on fake news stations.

Walls tumble as they're built, the disenfranchised targeted, maimed and killed.

Insurance companies generating bills. A call for a tyrant's soul to heal.

Refrained to change the Constitution's frame,

Learn the names of those who intend on you remaining chained.

Considered attained and tamed...famed prized game...

Stalking us and mocking us, shifting the blame.

The infestation of frustration covers this great nation .

Too much violence, race baiting and debating on who caused the devastation.

Through our trials and tribulations, overcoming this situation,

May God have Mercy on All Creation,

During this time of Late Inauguration

### **The Spirit (2018)**

There's a spirit, condemning in nature.

Always knows just where to find me.

Fiercely outspoken. Micro managing every thought,

Lamp shading every idea. Monitoring my whispers, while controlling tongue muscles.

Voice box struggling as my body temperature regulates.

An unwelcomed tampering.\_\_\_\_\_

There's a spirit. Familiar in nature. Always knows just where to find me.

Sometimes its complexion and shape mirrors my own.

Its scent and very taste resembling my flesh. Imitating my footsteps,  
Mimicking my hips as they sway. Attempting to destroy the gifted  
Phenomenal energy resting in my core. Pantomime...mockingly. \_\_\_\_\_ There's  
a Spirit. Healing in nature. Always knew who I was and would become.  
Washed my hair, feet and soul. Found and kept me. Creating intricately all around.  
Releasing energy, eccentricities. Removing toxins. A Ghost. Restoring order, Commanding  
how the wind should blow. Everlastingly present and forgiving.  
That's the Spirit.

#### Released Discernment

What if you stopped  
paused  
put yourself on double bars  
just to follow your heart

what would embark?  
would it be hard...  
being caught up and off guard?  
Even tho u were brought up with God

Just  
forgetting it all ...everyone  
involved...and getting a fresh start

There's a difference between one  
who reaches for your hand  
versus  
one who pushes it away

one who holds the door open for you  
and one who slams one in your face

I sing  
I dance  
I smile  
I prance

because I foiled the devil's plans  
my entire future is in God's hands

Because amongst two-tongued drama  
and controversy

I'm waiting for heavy karma  
with the pen I feel free

some believe in Jesus trauma  
more than his ministry  
people living with their mama  
gone have a problem with me

I've been on my own and vibing  
since I was 16  
the product of my environment  
had to build self esteem

I'm experiencing places  
and things  
that used to be in my dreams

I'm creative  
through the shade  
whether or not  
I am the favorite

others may have made  
All A's on the grades  
but end up steadily  
miseducated

Envious of The stance  
the grace  
the style

how does she keep them entranced  
blush-faced  
beguiled

look at her  
as she glides past the haters and the snakes  
damn I swear  
I hope she makes it

she's moving so smooth  
no shakes sir  
she's in real firs  
no fake shit

whatever's her she takes  
and she at times hyper fixates  
but  
in frustration

they'll try to replace her  
with someone  
less talented  
palatable... agreeable... basic

But the most uncomfortable being  
in the room  
is the one who knows the truth  
the one with proof  
the unrated..... original  
unedited version... no spoof

And  
I've never had a chance  
to make a clean enemy  
because I've only met those  
who pretend to be  
a friend to me

and I never could comprehend  
all the in-house family beef  
Or  
the unwarranted competition  
it's different  
I'm busy building legacies

find the time to pray  
and meditate  
on what you really want to do

and be intentional with God  
he'll be that very same way with you

certifying the unqualified  
providing all you need  
and all he asks for  
Is faith and trust  
The size of mustard seeds

so be inspiring be uplifting  
try to do Good deeds

paying kindness is so free

So I open up  
show The Love inside of Me  
I could never sell my soul y'all  
but I admit it's been on lease

My Discernment is Released...

### **No Mess....A Message**

Trying to serve my community  
in so many ways  
they'd have no other option  
but to know my name

and I know that I'm brave  
because I almost never cave  
so I can't be the blame  
for your shame  
or complacency  
you got to get that  
away from me

I'm pushing the drama miles away  
no longer do I ponder  
packing up my smiles away

I repudiate all superfluous beef  
I'm not ashamed of my forehead yall  
I'm not trying to hide my teeth

and my skin shines like the sun  
ahead above my enemies  
and to keep it clear  
I use their blood  
their tears and jealousies

claiming I'm intimidating  
is just a story you're creating  
you lack esteem  
and dreams and tend to be self-deprecating

that's why you go out of your way  
to carry bones  
and throw the shade  
but I won't cast the stone  
or return any of your hate

cut from a marvelous cloth  
curated MAD made it  
blessed by Thy Creator  
and debates at times engaged  
but ain't built for nothing less  
my calling is much greater

I'm at the front lines of this  
too much at stake  
I am invested  
ain't no time for being fearful  
having the shakes or  
Trying get some rest

The type to shoot whiskey  
and burn a few cigarettes  
activated swiftly  
having zero regrets...

### **SOME JUST WONT**

Some just won't like you,  
for no good reason.  
Everyone has a preference,  
every relationship has a season.

Some just won't appreciate you.  
They can't catch your vibe.  
Their confidence... it's shattered.  
They're too filled with pride.

Some just can't stand you.  
Or the air that you breathe.  
The spaces you light up,  
dim down once you leave.

Some just won't like you  
Because of all you can do.  
You excel at many trades,  
When they've only mastered a few.

Some just won't support you.  
Or consider your feelings.  
Your bold, loving, good natured demeanor  
Is in the image of the King.

Some just won't respect you.  
Because you walk like a Queen.  
The power in each step  
is highly esteemed.

Some just won't like you  
because you choose to live right.  
Your words are of teachings and prayers emitting rays of sunlight.

Some are intimidated or amazed  
You don't look like what you've been through.  
Never spend any of your days  
Or thoughts on those who just don't like you.