

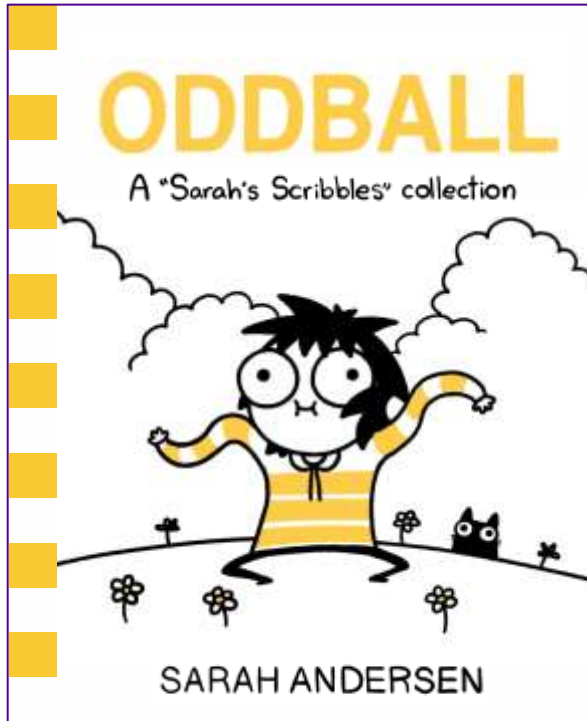
# Spring 2021

Adult List

# Humor



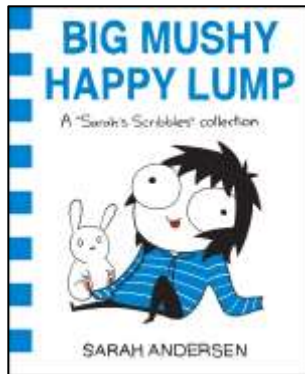
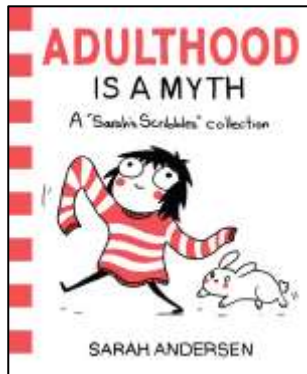
# Oddball by Sarah Andersen



- The fourth book in the enormously popular graphic novel series, the latest collection of Sarah's Scribbles comics explores the evils of procrastination, the trials of the creative process, the cuteness of kittens, and the beauty of not caring about your appearance as much as you did when you were younger.
- **HUGELY POPULAR** all over the world - foreign rights sold in 28 languages
- **HUGE, FAST-GROWING ONLINE PLATFORM:** Over 2.9 million followers on Facebook; 3.8 million on Instagram (as of June 2018)
- **BESTSELLER:** The author's recent graphic novel, *FANGS*, was a New York Times bestseller in summer 2020
- **AWARD-WINNER:** All three previous Sarah's Scribbles books have received Reader's Choice awards from GoodReads
- **CROSS-PLATFORM AMU BRAND:** signed for book four with AMP, GoComics, two calendars, and animation interest
- 112 pp., paperback, 12/10/21



# Sarah Andersen Backlist

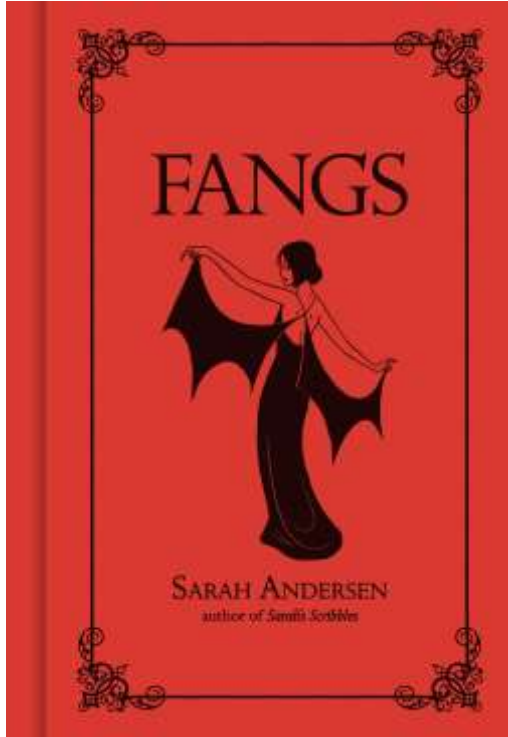


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# FANGS by Sarah Andersen

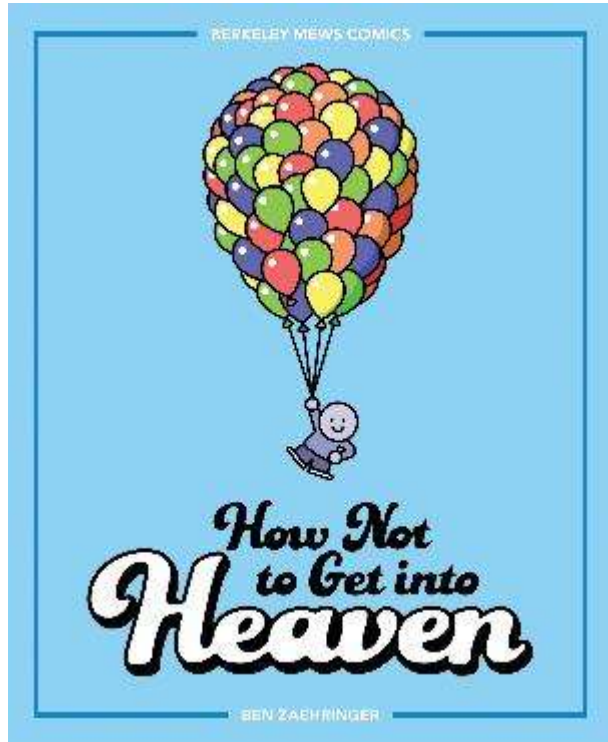


- A *New York Times* bestselling love story between a vampire and a werewolf by the creator of the enormously popular Sarah's Scribbles comics.
- HUGE, FAST-GROWING ONLINE PLATFORM: Over 3.6 million followers on Instagram; 2.5 million on Facebook
- NEW SERIES: FANGS builds on Sarah Andersen's popularity with a new gothic romance series that has quickly become one of the most popular comics on Tapas
- SPECIAL DESIGN, COVER TREATMENT: FANGS is designed as a compact, hardcover, highly giftable book with special cover treatments and deluxe Gothic/classic design
- BOOK EXCLUSIVES: The book version of FANGS includes artwork, comics, and a personalized introduction not seen anywhere online or in print
- RIGHTS SOLD TO: China, Czech Republic, Brazil, France, Italy, Romania, Russia, Spain, and Vietnam
- 112 pp., hardcover, Pub Date: 01/09/20
- <https://publishing.andrewsmcmeel.com/book/fangs/>



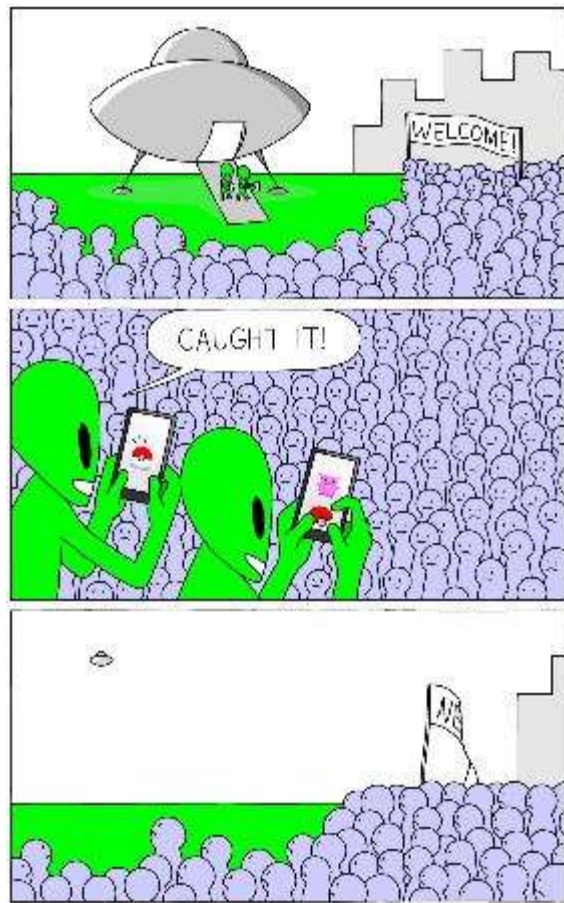
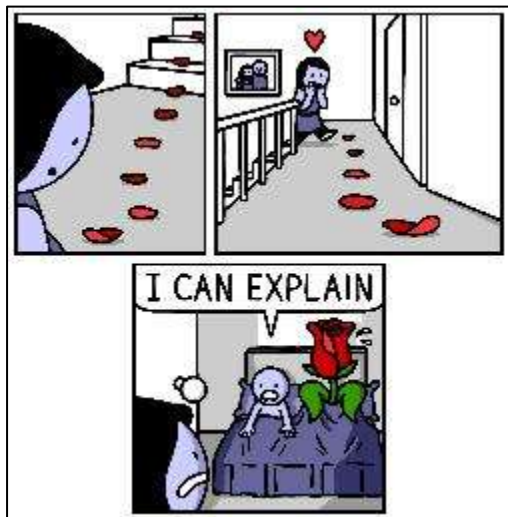


# How Not to Get Into Heaven by Ben Zaehring



- The second collection of Berkeley Mews comics by Ben Zaehring, this book satirizes many of the pop cultural institutions familiar to children of the '80s and '90s, providing a visually delightful and comically poignant send-up of modern life.
- DEBUT SUCCESS: 2019 book, *Sorry I Ruined Your Childhood* sold over 10,000 copies
- GROWING FOLLOWING: Instagram following now numbers over 180,000
- MILLENNIAL APPEAL: Humor in the book satirizes popular brands like Disney, Pixar, Sesame Street, Star Wars, and many commercial properties, providing a new comic twist on recognizable characters and stories
- 160 pp., paperback, Pub. Date: 01/04/21
- Previous title: <https://publishing.andrewsmcmeel.com/book/sorry-i-ruined-your-childhood/>









# When Sharks Attack with Kindness

## by Andrés Colmenares



- This hardcover collection of comics features the cute, uplifting and ingenious aquatic cartoons of Andrés Colmenares, the creator of Wawawiwa Comics, followed by millions of fans around the globe.
- The author's personal Wawawiwa Comics brand has a huge social media following, with 1.5 million followers on Facebook, 1M (and rapidly growing) on Instagram, with an average of 15% engagement on Instagram.
- Andres' comics have been shared on lots of humor blogs such as Bored Panda.
- These specific characters in "When Sharks Attack" are among the most popular series he's created in 10 years of cartooning online.
- 128 pp., hardcover, Pub Date: 02/03/21
- <https://publishing.andrewsmcmeel.com/book/when-sharks-attack-with-kindness/>



I NEED A FRIEND.



PSST,  
I'VE GOT WHAT YOU NEED.



I DON'T HAVE MONEY.



YOU BUY FRIENDS WITH  
FRIENDSHIP.

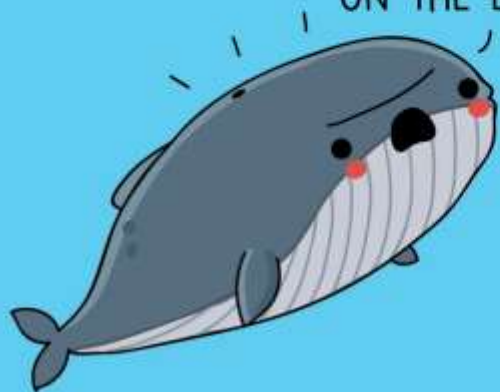




SO MAJESTIC.  
I WONDER WHY  
WHALES  
JUMP LIKE THAT.



NO MORE JUMPING  
ON THE BED!





# Backlist Web Comics

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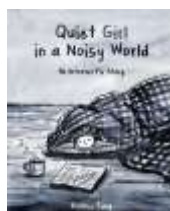
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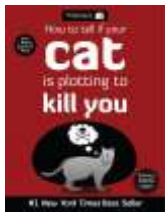
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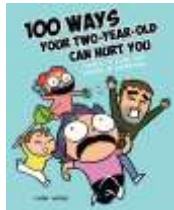
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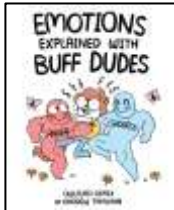
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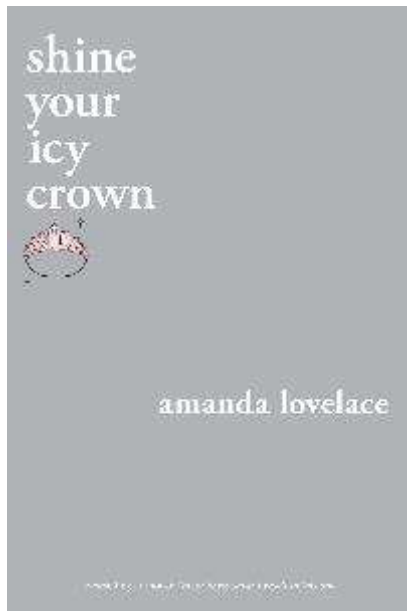
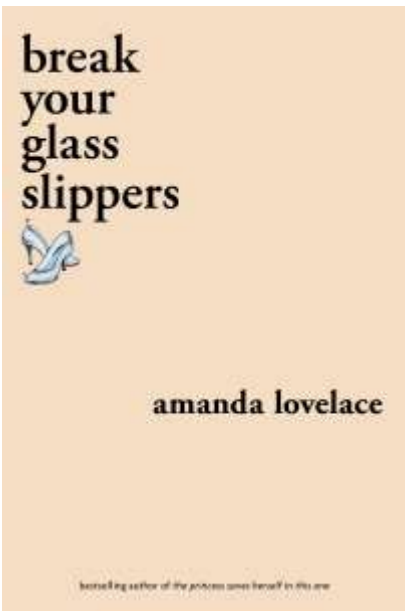
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# Poetry



# Amanda Lovelace: You Are Your Own Fairy Tale Series



**Coming March 2022: *unlock your storybook heart***

- *break your glass slippers*, is about overcoming those who don't see your worth, even if that person is sometimes yourself. in the epic tale of your life, you are the most important character while everyone is but a forgotten footnote. even the prince. (Pub. Date: 17/03/20)
- *shine your icy crown* is a story about not letting society dictate the limits of your potential. it's time to take back your power & realize that you don't need a king in order to be a queen. (Pub. Date: 26/01/21)
- Both titles: 160 pp., paperback
- RIGHTS NOT AVAILABLE FOR: Brazil
- <https://publishing.andrewsmcmeel.com/book/break-your-glass-slippers-amanda-lovelace/>
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## From *shine* your icy crown

she wants a life  
like you see in movies—

the kind where  
the girl finally  
takes off her glasses,  
revealing her true beauty,

& suddenly  
she's admired by everybody.

—*she doesn't realize she's already beautiful.*



## *big sister says*

there will *always* be a new mascara. there will *always* be a new lipstick. there will *always* be a new pair of jeans. there will *always* be a new ideal body shape. by the time you've finally caught up, there will already be a new trend. it's meant to be unobtainable, because that ensures you'll have no choice but to keep investing your time, money, & energy. respect yourself enough not to buy into a system whose success depends on making you feel insecure. instead, become devoted to being unapologetically yourself.



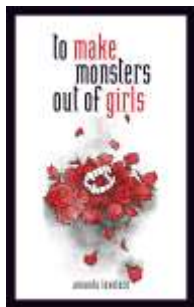
# Amanda Lovelace Backlist



women  
are  
some  
kind  
of  
magic  
**amanda lovelace**

Over 650,000 sold of the entire “women are some kind of magic” series!

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Two book series: “things that h(a)unt”

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For more on Amanda Lovelace check out:

<https://publishing.andrewsmcmeel.com/?s=amanda+lovelace>



# Amanda Lovelace Oracle Deck



With art by fairy tale illustrator Janaina Medeiros, each card offers daily messages of empowerment to stir your inner princess, witch, or mermaid, while the highly accessible guidebook offers further insight. It is perfect for beginners and suitable for practitioners at every skill level.

This set contains a compact box, 45 full-color cards and a 72-page illustrated guidebook.

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# Watering the Soul



- From bestselling poet Courtney Peppernell comes a new book of poetry and prose, *Watering the Soul*. What began as a desire to spread positivity quickly became a project that focuses on themes of relaxation, forgiveness, togetherness, and equality. An expansion from Peppernell's previous poetry, typically about romance and longing, this project seeks to enlighten readers about the love we spread to others and also the love we give ourselves.
- **BESTSELLING POET:** Peppernell is a bestselling author, and her *Pillow Thoughts* series has collectively sold 850,000 copies.
- **PROMINENT:** Peppernell is a prominent and inspiring personality in the LGBTQI community, and her voice is indispensable in the poetry landscape.
- Instagram: 144,000 followers (as of 25/02/12)
- Twitter: 9,200 followers (as of 25/02/21)



Things I have learned  
by taking a moment to breathe

Acceptance is a state of being

Listening isn't only hearing what you want  
to hear. Listening is acknowledging not all  
things will make sense, feel good or be  
free from pain, but it is important to  
listen anyway. Listening leads to healing.

Inhaling and exhaling is the soul's way of  
renewing. Each moment we take to stop  
and to breathe is renewing.

Spending time doing nothing is the best  
gift you can give yourself.

Small details often give us reason to love  
harder, work harder, and be at one with  
ourselves. By rushing and never slowing  
down, we often miss all those small,  
intricate details.

Courtney Pepperdell

We view our life by running at it head  
on. By always chasing after one emotion to  
the next. We try to avoid pain, by never  
acknowledging it, by always covering it up  
with people, or places or things to do.

But that never allows the pain to heal.  
It never allows the wounds to close over  
and create the scars that tell our stories.

If we stopped and acknowledged the pain,  
embraced the pain as an emotion that  
belongs to us, in the same way our  
happiness and joy belongs to us, then we  
wouldn't always be running.



# Courtney Peppernell Backlist



## PILLOW THOUGHTS COURTNEY PEPPERNEILL

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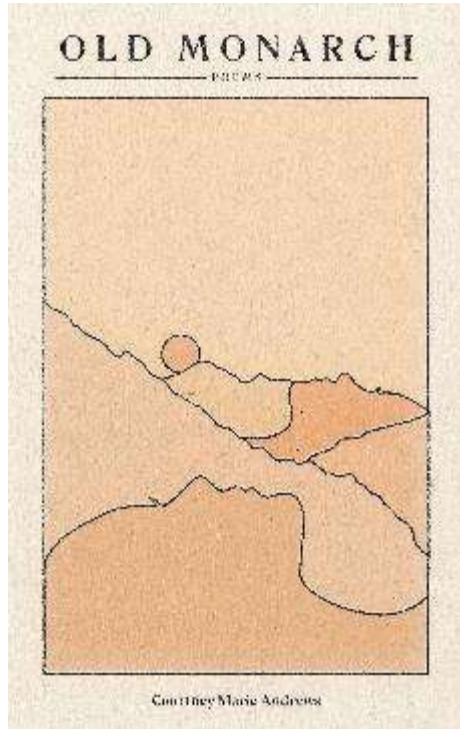


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# Old Monarch



- Courtney Marie Andrews has 18,000 followers on Facebook, 22,000 followers on Instagram, and over 700,000 views on YouTube.
- Andrews has been featured in countless international publications about her art and music, including *Rolling Stone*, NPR, and BBC. She also won the 2018 “International Artist of the Year” at the UK Americana Awards.
- May Your Kindness Remain, Andrews sixth album, received critical acclaim for its release in the United States from *Rolling Stone*, NPR Music, *Chicago Tribune*, American Songwriter, WXPB The Key, Bluegrass Situation and more.
- Andrews has been referred to as the “rising star” of the Americana world. She has also been featured numerous times in *Uncut Magazine*, the premiere music magazine in the UK.
- Andrews has been praised in media for her focus on mental health in her music.
- 96 pp., paperback, Pub. Date: 06/04/21
- <https://publishing.andrewsmcmeel.com/book/old-monarch/>





OLD MONARCH

Courtney Marie Andrews

### THE SUN NEVER DESPAIRS

Today the sun mocks my despair.

“Get out of bed!” he says.  
“I do, without hesitation.

Look outside!  
I look every morning with joy.

Be grateful!  
Each night I thank the moon for letting me rest.”

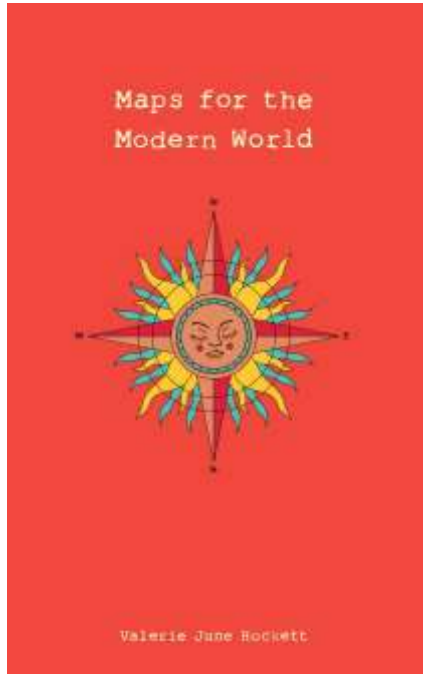
Oh, sun, why must you make it seem so easy?  
I close the curtains, only to fall back asleep.

### CALCULATED MAGIC

You are my illusion, water in the desert,  
a mirage—master of magic tricks.  
I am your rotten prickly pear, sweet  
up until the end. Even when I disappear  
from your night, you come conjuring me  
back with words of voracity, when I am  
lucid as waving agave. I believe  
every charming word you say.



# Maps for the Modern World



- *Maps for the Modern World* is a collection of poems and original illustrations about cultivating community, awareness, and harmony with our surroundings as we move fearlessly toward our dreams.
- **MUSICIAN/AUTHOR:** Valerie June is a successful musical artist with a modern, soulful take on American roots music. She will release her third studio album in Fall 2020 and will likely tour Summer 2021.
- **RELEVANT THEMES:** June's message of mindfulness and connection in an increasingly disconnected, technology-driven world (not to mention our current socially distanced climate) is on-trend in the poetry and inspiration spaces.
- **ESTABLISHED FANBASE:** June's first two albums have sold over 200,000 copies, she tours regularly to sold-out crowds, and she has performed at major festivals like Bonnaroo.
- 160 pp., paperback, Pub Date: 06/04/21
- <https://publishing.andrewsmcmeel.com/book/maps-for-the-modern-world/>



There really are no guarantees  
Please...  
Only do the best you can  
The rest will be the way it will be.

You really have no control  
Please smile...  
There is a place between your eyes  
Where light,  
And love  
Shine  
And bind along with life and time  
And bless blissfully the undefined-  
the beyond mind-  
the stapled-fabred heart so blind.

You really have no other choice.  
There really is no other way.  
The stapled-fabred heart so blind  
Must always choose to be seen  
To be kind.

The stapled-fabred heart



It is a planetary exploration  
It is a self-examination  
It is a constant, steady passing  
It is acknowledging what we are facing

And when you're settled in the moment  
There,  
There inside,  
There comes a knowing  
Of why you care and where you're going

And you can shape it how you want it  
It was always a-waiting and a-waiting  
To be molded, modified, sculpted

There for all to have and hold it.

Consciousness Through Planetary Exploration





# Small Cures



- Della Hicks-Wilson is a British author of Caribbean descent who graduated from Kings College, Cambridge with her M.A. in English
- Her self-published collection *Small Cures* was published in May 2020 and has since received wide-ranging attention for the quality of poetry.
- Author Glennon Doyle (author of *Untamed*) featured her on her Instagram lives called “Share the Mic Now”
- This collection brings together 150 poems into one interconnected narrative based on the different stages of an “illness”—diagnosis, treatment, cure. Hicks-Wilson lays bare universal experiences of mental health and heartbreak with raw emotion, empathy and honesty.
- 192 pp., paperback, Pub Date: 15/06/21
- <https://www.dellahickswilson.com/>



darling,  
your soil is too rich  
to let words that aren't  
deeply rooted in your truth  
soak in.

∞

all words  
like us  
are ninety per cent water

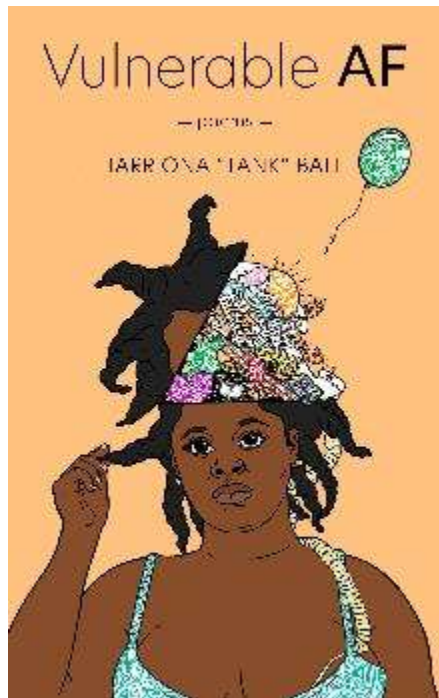
you can choose  
to drown  
in the ones that hurt

or,  
you can choose  
to let them  
cleanse you.

∞

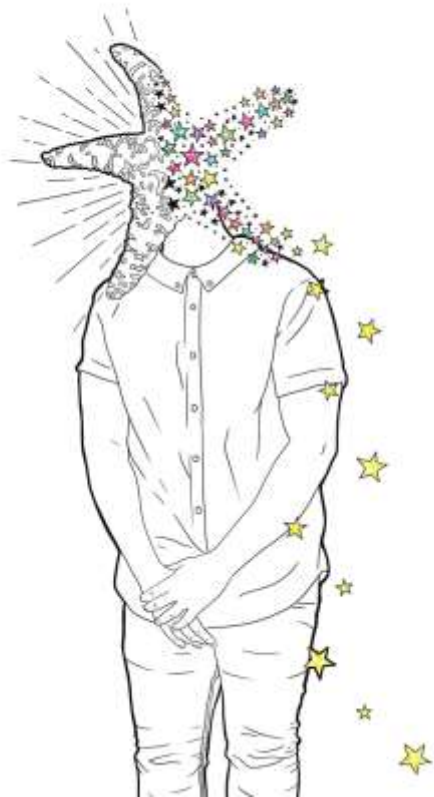


# Vulnerable AF



- Tank is the frontwoman and founder of Tank and the Bangas, a Grammy-nominated neo soul-hip hop-funk fusion band.
- Tank has 72K Instagram followers and the band has 162K
- Tank got her start in the New Orleans slam poetry scene
- This collection is about a failed relationship when the author was in her early twenties, chasing the idea of a boy who didn't feel the same way about her: a highly-relatable experience.
- 112 pp., paperback, Pub. Date: 08/06/21
- <https://publishing.andrewsmcmeel.com/book/vulnerable-af/>





### **Flashy Fish**

You're as selfish as a starfish  
You only shine at night when everyone is asleep  
You never did admit that you were a star to me  
Just a fish  
Never knew that you liked to come out at night and put on a show  
Until we were out of the water . . . on the road



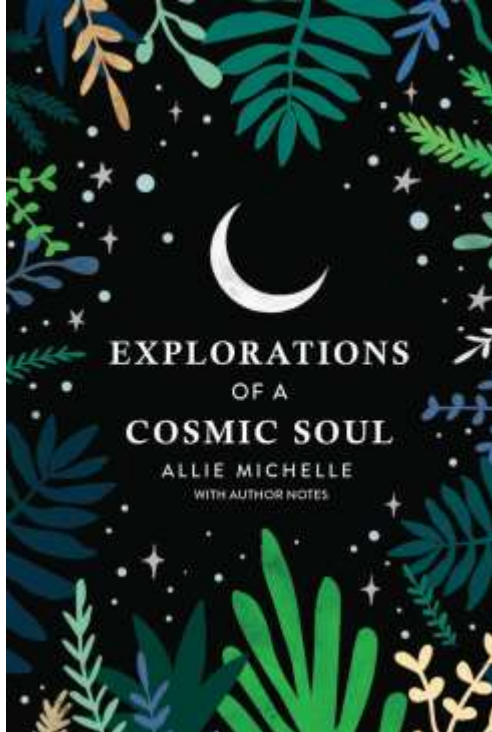


### Magnifying Glass

If I took away every drum solo  
Every sway of your wooled, thick, onyx hair  
Every touch from your long, piano-key fingers  
Every glare from the deepest mud puddles I've ever stepped in  
Every ridiculous remark that showed your planet was near mine  
Or every time you said something that made my mind bend and  
change its shape  
If it were not for the little things blocking my view of the whole you  
I would see something entirely different . . .  
I would see you  
And not just my favorite parts



# Explorations of a Cosmic Soul



- Instagram: 374K; Twitter: 21K
- Allie Michelle's self-published edition, *Explorations of a Cosmic Soul*, hit #1 in female poetry on Amazon within a week of publication. With social media marketing, it sold over 10,000 copies.
- In 2017, Allie Michelle started the Your Own Magic podcast with co-host Raquelle Mantra. Within months it had over 600,000 downloads, and it currently has 1,000 ratings on the iTunes store averaging 5 stars.
- She has done spoken word performances across the globe and traveled to over twenty countries in three years sharing her poetry.
- This revised expanded edition includes the author's notes that convey the energy she experienced when writing these poems.
- Page count: TK, paperback, Pub. Date: 14/09/21
- <https://publishing.andrewsmcmeel.com/book/the-rose-that-blooms-in-the-night/>





## Phoenix Rising

Problems arise when we forget who we are  
The consciousness behind our thoughts  
The being made of dust from a billion-year  
old star  
But the path of love and creativity  
Comes from finding your voice  
From making even the simplest of decisions a  
mindful choice  
Always keep your shadow in front of you  
Where you can see it  
Make peace with the darkness in you  
And you will find clarity beneath the mind's  
mist  
Like a phoenix rising you will be reborn  
into the light  
The strength of lessons learned laced into  
your wings as you take flight

### Phoenix Rising:

To be honest, the imagery of the phoenix came to me  
from reading Harry Potter. There is a scene where  
Fawkes (Dumbledore's phoenix) bursts into flames  
at the end of his life. Moments later he is  
reborn before Harry's eyes. I loved that as  
a visual for our growth as human beings.  
Except we choose whether or not to rise from  
the ashes.



## Lens of Experience

We all see a virtual reality  
Projected through individual mentalities  
To a tree whose roots run deep  
The universe is only knowable through  
What its branches reach  
To a bird that spreads her wings  
She travels the world untethered  
Seeing far off things

Some humans stay comfortable and rooted  
Afraid of the unknown, their minds polluted  
But for those of us who roam  
The present moment is our eternal home

There is a time to flap your wings  
And a time when we must root to rise  
Find this balance  
And you will never feel lost inside

## Lens of Experience:

I lived on the north shore of Oahu, and there was this  
hole in the back of the jungle near my home.  
It lead to an old tree that had fallen on her  
side and had thick roots that ran deep.

I would lay on her at sunrise every morning  
and place myself in the perspective of the different  
parts of the forest. The birds, the trees, the ants.  
We can get so caught in our own perception we  
forget there are many different visible lenses to see through.



# Please Love Me at My Worst



- *Please Love Me At My Worst* is a collection of four sections of poetry inspired by loneliness, unrequited love, and not being able to let go of past relationships. Written during the 2020 COVID-19 quarantine, the book is a reflection of what it means to yearn for people who are unavailable and how important it is to focus on self-love and healing.
- Michaela is a TikTok poet phenom, achieving viral success through her unique approach to the medium—telling viewers, “This message is for you,” and reading a selection from her book. Her videos have been viewed millions of times, with one garnering 2 million views alone and 600k likes.
- 127,000 TikTok followers and 136,000 Instagram followers (1/11/21)
- Michaela has a successful self-published track record, with 15,953 copies sold of *You'll Come Back to Yourself* and 6,776 of *When He Leave You*. As a result of her TikTok activities, her previous self-published titles have continually charted on the Bookscan charts.
- Page count: TK, paperback, Pub. Date: 12/10/21
- <https://www.instagram.com/michaelapoetry/?hl=en>

RPG



# Things Heroes Say



- Things Heroes Say was a successful Kickstarter, raising nearly \$7,000 with 151 backers, exceeding its \$4,000 goal. It was awarded with the “Projects We Love” status by Kickstarter.
- This book serves as both a gorgeous collection of fantasy artwork and a resource for those who would like to create dialogue for new characters or scenarios for the RPG or original story.
- The author, Bryn Geronimo Jones is a writer and illustrator living in London. Creator of the art book series Black Rabbit, Jones is also a board game artist and small press art book creator.
- 112 pp., paperback, Pub. Date: 13/07/21





## WHEN YOU'RE POUNDING THAT TRAIL

My feet are burning like the coals of Dark Shaman Raz-Man-Goot.

I'm soaked to the core in sweat.  
I'm pretty sure it's mine. Let me  
just check . . . yeah, it's mine.

The last time I was walking  
through here, there was a sign  
saying "No Orcs or Goblins."  
My friend Ronny had to turn  
around and go home—so brutal.

**IF ANYONE WANTS ME TO  
CAST "CONVEYER BELT,"  
JUST LET ME KNOW.**

THE ANGEL OF DEATH JUST TAPPED ME ON THE  
SHOULDER AND POINTED AT YOU. SOMETIMES  
THESE THINGS ARE A SIGN.

If things keep going this well, we'll be set for life,

I DON'T KNOW, BUT  
I'VE BEEN TOLD . . .  
MY WIZARD FRIEND IS  
A BILLION YEARS OLD.

There's a company  
on the other side  
of the ocean  
developing self-  
driving horses. It'll  
be years before they  
become available to  
folks like us.

I like to count the leaves as I  
walk through the woods. One  
million and one, one million  
and two . . .

**THERE'S A  
CARVING OF  
A DRAGON  
OVER THERE  
WITH NAMES  
SCRATCHED  
INTO IT.  
PROBABLY  
MEANS  
NOTHING.**

**I'VE NEVER HAD THIS MANY FRIENDS  
BEFORE. MY MOM WOULD BE SO PROUD.**

**AT THE NEXT CAMP,  
I'M GONNA COOK US  
A KILLER LEEK AND  
POTATO SOUP, JUST  
YOU WAIT!**

I have the BEST fruit and nut mix. You  
should totally try some; I'll get it out  
right now.

These trees are frightfully foreboding . . .  
Love a good foreboding tree.

Dear diary, me and my pals are off on a great  
adventure. What waits for us at the next milestone?  
What drama will we be thrown into? . . . \*long sigh\*

Would it be OK if we dropped the pace a little?  
My legs are half the size of yours.

MY COUSIN AUDREY DIDN'T WALK ANYWHERE; SHE FLEW AROUND  
ON THE BACK OF A GRIFFIN. LUCKY F\*^%&\* B\*&^%.



## WHEN YOU DON'T KNOW WHERE YOU ARE

My rations . . . they've all suddenly gone stale . . . What . . . is this place?  
I usually take these things pretty casually. I'm sure  
we'll turn up in the right spot sooner or later.

ASK YOURSELF NOT, WHERE THE HELL ARE WE. ASK YOURSELF, ARE  
WE GOING TO BE DEVoured BY A BEAST BECAUSE OF OUR PRESENCE  
HERE? I LIFT MY HANDS TO THE GODS, AND I LET THEM DECIDE.  
\*SINGS\* COME TO MEEEEEE . . . DRAGON OF THE NIGGGGHTTTT . . .  
RIGHTEOUS AND FOUL . . . ANGRY AND BRAZENNNNN.

It's times like this that you're glad you're carrying an ax,  
two swords, a bow and arrow, and a potion.

If we used a photo-  
reactive film and placed  
it behind a tiny hole—  
an aperture—then we  
could get a picture of  
ourselves in this place  
and show our friends  
and family. How's my  
hair—is it OK?

THIS . . . THIS IS NOT  
ON MY MAP. ARE WE  
IN A NEW PLANE OF  
EXISTENCE? ARE WE ON  
A UNIVERSE PARALLEL  
TO OUR HOME WORLD?  
THIS FORM OF FEAR IS  
NEW TO ME. A MAP . . .  
I NEED A NEW MAP.

IS THERE A LITTLE DRAWING OF THIS  
PLACE ON THAT MAP OF YOURS? OR  
IS THERE ANY CHANCE THIS PLACE  
IS FAMILIAR TO YOU? BECAUSE TO  
BE QUITE FRANK, I'M FREAKING OUT.

MY DAD USUALLY ROCKS UP AND  
TAKES ME HOME RIGHT ABOUT NOW.

YOU GUYS ARE  
STILL INCREDIBLY  
CONDESCENDING,  
SO WE CAN'T HAVE  
GONE TOO FAR.

**I THINK I'M GONNA VOMIIIT.**

It appears we have reached a crossroad on our journey.  
Look . . . one, two, three, four . . . yeah, a crossroad.

Looks like another land to conquer. All hands in the middle,  
guys. One, two, three, SLAYERS!

WIZARD STICKS, WORK YOUR MAGIC. FIGURE OUT  
WHERE WE ARE AND WHERE WE SHOULD GO.

Strangely familiar . . . uncomfortably alien.

**WHAT A  
PICKLE THIS  
IS, RICHARD.  
THIS PLACE SUCKS.**

Look . . . the stars. That one  
is shaped like a dove. We're  
gonna be fine, my friends.

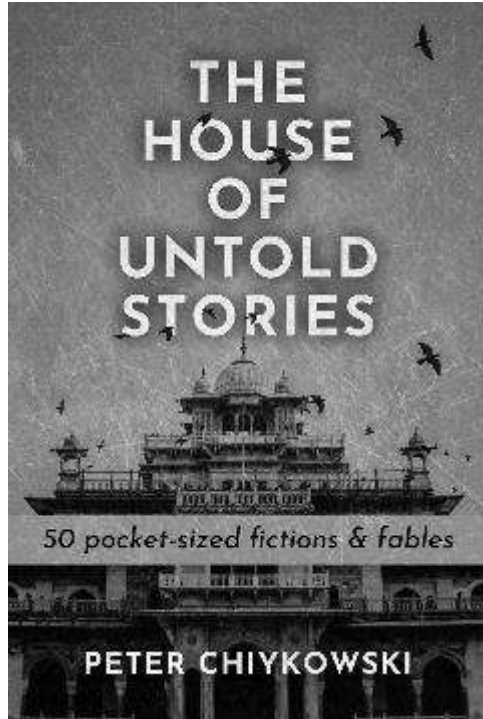
I HAVE SEEN THIS PLACE  
IN MY NIGHTMARES!  
IT'S REAL! . . . OH GOD,  
IT'S REAL!!!!

My uncle was a travel writer. The people of my town got  
jealous and executed him. Oddly, he still seemed quite  
pleased with himself.

# Flash Fiction



# House of Untold Stories



- “Flash fiction stories are so easy to get into and take little time commitment. Most novels and stories require readers to put books on a TBR (to be read) list because they can’t immediately read the story, but flash fictions are so fast and easy that people read the stories on the spot and can immediately share feedback and even dream up new ideas.” – Joanna Smith, blogger, fiction author, and media consultant
- From horror to humor, every story in the collection is distinct. Even so, the concept of alternate timelines and worlds keeps the collection unified.
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- 208 pp., hardcover, Pub. Date: 31/08/21



# LIGHTHOUSES

PETER CHYKOWSKI

The young ones never believe me when I tell them what lighthouses were in the days before.

They have never lived in a world where rain falls from the sky clean and drinkable. Where warm sunlight strokes your skin without tangling its mutating fingers in your DNA. Where ships sail across an ocean teeming with life, and not boiling with acid and the rage of a shattered planet.

LIGHTHOUSES

They have no concept of a time where lighthouses steered ships away from land.

In the ruins of the world, they only know the beacons by their new meaning.

A warning.

Stay away from the water.



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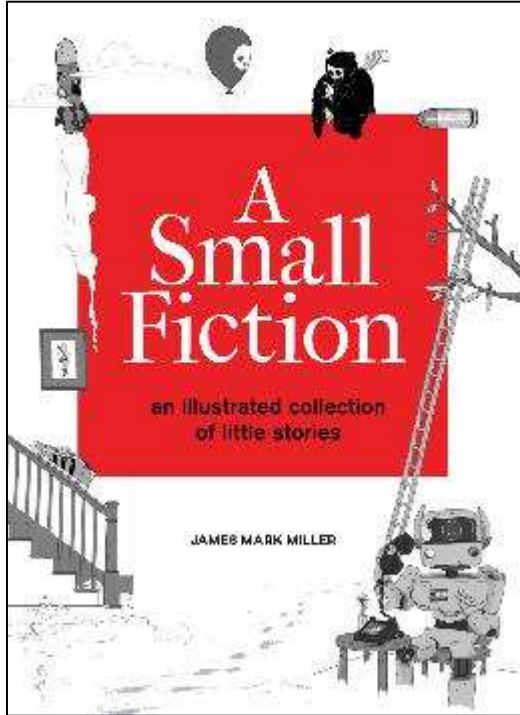
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I used to put up fake "lost pet" posters for mythical creatures, just to keep my neighborhood interesting.  
"LOST BASILISK: ANSWERS TO BALTHAZAR."  
"MISSING CHUPACABRA: \$500 REWARD!"  
"ESCAPED GRIFFIN: CALL THIS NUMBER!"

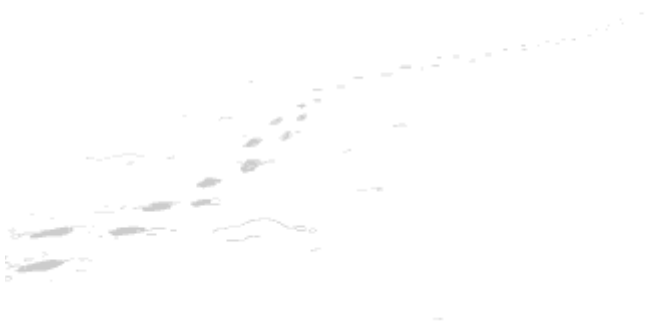
LOST BASILISK

Somebody just responded to my ad about the runaway phoenix, and now they're on their way here with a reinforced steel cargo container that's already starting to melt.

It might be time to move.



- Originally published by Unbound, the book was 190% crowdfunded by 782 backers. There is a definite desire for this book and a passionate following.
- The [Twitter](#) account, where the writers started their micro-fiction, has had a consistently popular following, reaching over one hundred thousand followers.
- Andrews McMeel's edition will contain new stories and illustrations, providing new content for seasoned fans.
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- <https://publishing.andrewsmcmeel.com/book/a-small-fiction/>



Chasing a dream is a long trek through snow.

Numbing, slow.

Each step a decision not to sink down and sleep.

But somewhere ahead is the fire.

Every dog has his day.

As he rolled on the grass, tail wagging,  
he knew this one was his.

And so was yesterday.

Tomorrow would be too.





Adults had a hard time seeing the robots as alive.

Children didn't. They had stuffed animals.

They knew. Loving something makes it real.

“I think I’m having an existential crisis,”  
she said.

“Are you?” he said. “That seems pointless.”



As the years went by, Harry spent weeks at a time  
facedown in a Pensieve, reliving his glory days,  
unable to find a spell to cure the ennui.



# Fox's Tower and Other Tales

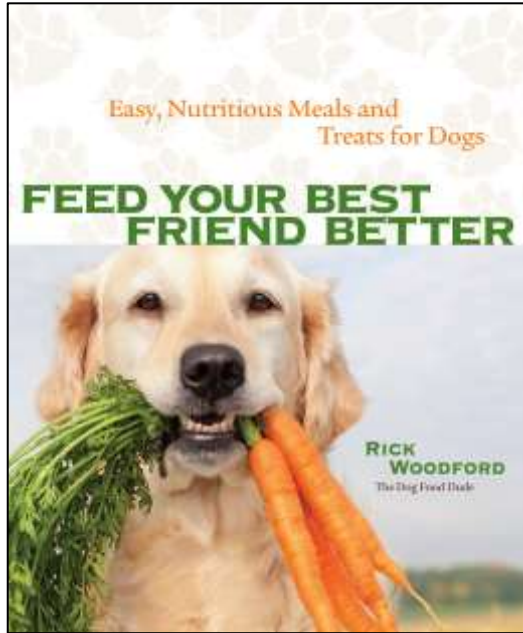


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- **ACCLAIMED AUTHOR:** Yoon Ha Lee is a critically acclaimed and *New York Times* bestselling author of several short stories and the *Machineries of Empire* trilogy for adults: *Ninefox Gambit*, *Raven Stragagem*, and *Revenant Gun*, along with the widely popular children's book, *Rick Riordan Presents: Dragon Pearl*. Yoon's use of Korean history and mythology, fairy tales, mathematics, and genre fiction create a kind of flash fiction collection never before seen.
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- **ABOUT THE AUTHOR:** A Korean-American sf/f writer who received a B.A. in math from Cornell University and an M.A. in math education from Stanford University, Yoon finds it a source of continual delight that math can be mined for story ideas.
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# Cooking



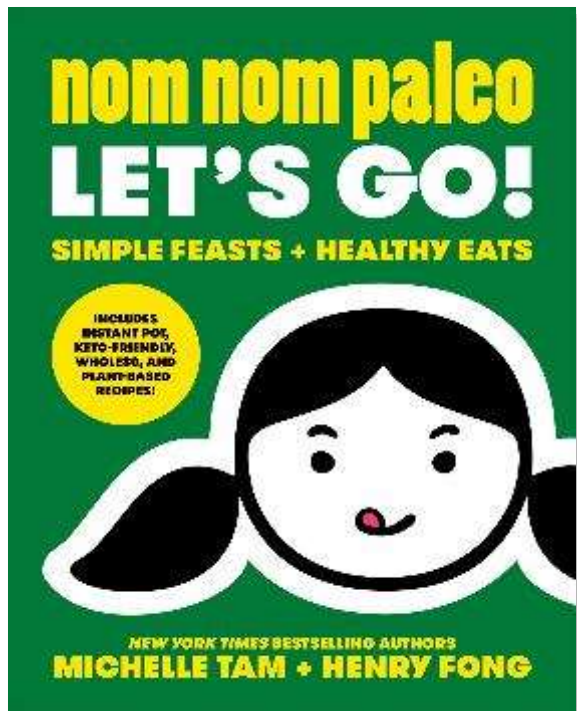
# Feed Your Best Friend Better Revised Edition



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# Nom Nom Paleo Let's Go!



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# CHICKEN CHOW MEIN

MAKES 4 SERVINGS  
⌚ 30 MINUTES  
(30 MINUTES HANDS-ON)

WHOLE30®

NUT-FREE

EGG-FREE

- 1 pound boneless skinless chicken thighs, cut into bite-sized pieces
- 6 tablespoons avocado oil, divided
- 2 tablespoons coconut aminos, divided
- 1 teaspoon aged balsamic vinegar
- 1 teaspoon fish sauce
- ½ teaspoon sesame oil
- 2 teaspoons arrowroot powder
- 1 pound white-fleshed Hannah sweet potato or 6 medium carrots, peeled and spiralized
- 1 small yellow onion, halved and thinly sliced
- Diamond Crystal kosher salt (page XXX)
- ¼ pound fresh shiitake mushrooms, stemmed and sliced thinly
- 1 (1-inch) piece of ginger, peeled and cut into thin coins
- 2 scallions, cut diagonally into ½-inch segments
- 5 ounces baby spinach
- ½ teaspoon crushed red pepper flakes



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1 IN A MEDIUM BOWL, TOSS TOGETHER THE CHICKEN PIECES, 1 TABLESPOON AVOCADO OIL, AND 1 TABLESPOON COCONUT AMINOS.



2 ADD THE BALSAMIC VINEGAR, FISH SAUCE, SESAME OIL, AND ARROWROOT POWDER.



3 STIR WELL TO COMBINE, AND SET ASIDE.



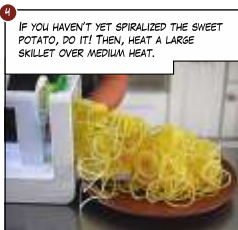
4 FRY UNDISTURBED FOR 2 TO 3 MINUTES SO THAT SOME OF THE SWEET POTATO NOODLES START TO BROWN AND CRISP.



5 COOK FOR 3 TO 5 MINUTES OR UNTIL SOFTENED. TOSS IN THE MUSHROOMS, GINGER, AND ANOTHER SPRINKLE OF SALT.



6 STIR IN THE SCALLIONS AND THE SPINACH. SEASON WITH 1 TABLESPOON COCONUT AMINOS AND RED PEPPER FLAKES. TASTE AND ADJUST THE SEASONING AS NEEDED.



7 IF YOU HAVEN'T YET SPIRALIZED THE SWEET POTATO, DO IT! THEN, HEAT A LARGE SKILLET OVER MEDIUM HEAT.



8 SPRINKLE ON ½ TEASPOON OF SALT, AND CAREFULLY FLIP THE SWEET POTATO NOODLES OVER. COOK THEN UNDISTURBED FOR ANOTHER 2 TO 3 MINUTES. TRANSFER TO A SERVING DISH AND SET IT ASIDE.



9 STIR-FRY FOR ABOUT 2 MINUTES OR UNTIL THE MUSHROOMS ARE COOKED AND THE GINGER IS FRAGRANT. IF THE PAN'S LOOKING A LITTLE DRY, ADD ANOTHER TABLESPOON OF OIL.



10 ONCE THE SPINACH IS WILTED, PLATE THE CHICKEN AND VEGGIES ATOP THE SWEET POTATO NOODLES.



11 WHEN IT'S HOT, ADD 2 TABLESPOONS OF AVOCADO OIL. ONCE THE OIL IS SHIMMERING, ADD THE SPIRALIZED SWEET POTATO NOODLES IN A SINGLE LAYER.



12 HEAT THE NOW-EMPTY SKILLET OVER MEDIUM-HIGH. THEN, ADD 2 TABLESPOONS OF AVOCADO OIL. ONCE THE OIL IS HOT, ADD THE SLICED ONIONS AND SAUTE WITH A LIBERAL SPRINKLE OF SALT.



13 ADD THE CHICKEN AND COOK, STIRRING, UNTIL NO LONGER PINK.



14 SERVE THE CHOW MEIN IMMEDIATELY!





## COCONUT ALMOND JELLY

MAKES 4 SERVINGS  
⌚ ⌚ ⌚ 2½ HOURS  
(15 MINUTES HANDS-ON)

EGG-FREE

NIGHTSHADE-FREE

1½ cups (1 can) full-fat coconut milk,  
divided

1 tablespoon gelatin powder

3 tablespoons honey

2 teaspoons almond extract

1 cup canned mandarin orange  
segments (in fruit juice)

1 cup canned peach slices (in fruit  
juice)

1 cup fresh mixed berries

AS A KID, WHENEVER MY PARENTS TOOK ME OUT FOR CHINESE DINING, I ORDERED THESE JIGGLY CUBES OF ALMOND-FLAVORED JELLY, TOPPED WITH A SYRUP-SOAKED FRUIT COCKTAIL. TO THIS DAY, I STILL HAVE A SOFT SPOT FOR CANNED PEACHES AND TANGERINES.

BUT HAVE NO FEAR: MY TAKE ON THIS SWEET TREAT USES FRESH BERRIES AND FRUIT CANNED WITH NOTHING BUT JUICE. AFTER ALL, THIS IS A PALEO COOKBOOK!



1 POUR ¼ CUP OF THE COCONUT MILK INTO A MEASURING CUP. ADD THE GELATIN AND WHISK UNTIL WELL INCORPORATED. SET THE MIXTURE ASIDE.



2 IN A SMALL SAUCEPAN, HEAT THE REMAINING COCONUT MILK AND HONEY OVER MEDIUM HEAT, STIRRING FREQUENTLY, UNTIL WELL MIXED.



3 COOK THE SWEETENED COCONUT MILK MIXTURE UNTIL BUBBLES APPEAR ON THE EDGES OF THE PAN. TURN OFF THE HEAT.



4 ADD THE RESERVED HYDRATED GELATIN MIXTURE AND ALMOND EXTRACT TO THE PAN. WHISK WELL, MAKING SURE THERE ARE NO LUMPS.



5 POUR THE MIXTURE INTO A COVERED FLAT-BOTTOMED RECTANGULAR CONTAINER.



6 CHILL THE MIXTURE UNCOVERED FOR 30 MINUTES. THEN, COVER AND CHILL FOR AN ADDITIONAL 1½ HOURS OR UNTIL SOLID. (YOU CAN KEEP THE JELLY IN THE FRIDGE FOR UP TO 4 DAYS BEFORE SERVING.)



7 WHEN READY TO SERVE, CUT THE JELLY INTO ¾-INCH SQUARES.



8 DIVIDE THE CUBES INTO BOWLS AND TOP WITH THE FRUIT AND ITS JUICE. EAT IT UP!



Per serving: XXX calories • XXg carbohydrates • XXg protein • XXg fat • XXg fiber

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