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A rebellious girl with a yearning for excitement finds adventure and romance on one of Tampa's most notorious streets.

A hood rat trying to earn his stripes learns about consequence the hard way when a botched robbery goes wrong.

Two strangers rely on each other to survive while hiding out in a closet during a school shooting.

A troubled mother writes a letter to her daughter on her sixteenth birthday explaining the harrowing truth about her estranged father.

A young baller defends his turf and shows the varsity football stars who the real king of the streets is. The new kid in school is shown the light by an unlikely source while trying to win the girl and avoid getting his ass kicked by the resident bully thugs.

How Long Can a White Girl Last on Nebraska Avenue? introduces a melting pot of dynamic teen characters trying to find their way in a world that's long on hardship and short on mercy.

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Sarah T. says

Received a copy of this book through the First Reads Giveaway program in exchange for an honest review.

The best way I could describe this book, is as a work of very gentle young adult urban fiction. The stories simply aren't nearly as dire or graphic as more traditional urban fiction, and there's quite a bit more hope for the characters involved. The characters, all teens/young adults find themselves in a wide variety of situations in Tampa, Florida (you can read a description of the book that Goodreads provides, I won't reiterate them here).

I liked how diverse each story was from the others in the collection. Each seemed to appeal to a different kind of emotion in me. The prose was comfortable and the stories enjoyable. I generally like anthologies and ended up liking this one too.

Denise Kuntz says

Awesome!!!

Trevor Pearson says

<http://bindblottyandcajole.com/2015/0...>

Michelle Rudolph says

Full Disclosure: I got this as a First Reads giveaway with the expectation of an honest review in return. I had several other books that I was reading and my mom asked to borrow a book, so I handed her this one. She read it and passed it along to a friend. Her friend gave it to her daughter who lent it to another friend. So- although I haven't actually read it myself, this must be a good book if people are reading it and passing it on to friends. I'll get it back/by another copy and read it- and will update my review at that point!

Sharah McConville says

Thank you to the author for my free copy of his short stories. Very enjoyable!

Patricia Strong says

I received this book as a First Reads winner. Wow! Highly recommend for teens and adults of all ages. Wonderful stories. I was going to note a favorite but it's hard to choose as they are all poignant and grittily realistic. The Poet's Laureate moved me to tears. Very grateful I was chosen as a First Reader. Read these stories! (There are a number of proofreading errors that are always jarring when you are reading a book but just try to skip over - hopefully they will correct those.)

Veronica says

I received this book for free on Goodreads in exchange for an honest review. I wasn't sure I would like the book or not and was pleasantly surprised. I am always wary of short stories for the simple reason that they are an art form and very difficult to master. I think the author nailed it although I would have liked to have a bit more meat in a couple of the short stories. I enjoyed them all but was deeply touched by "The Poet's Laureate". I found the writing and narrative to be mesmerizing and it succeeded in drawing me into the worlds in each short story. The theme in each story is youth and I found the author did very well in describing situations from the view point of a young person.

MsChris says

Wow. What a great read! Who knew short stories could be so powerful!

Katie Geiken says

My heart aches for the varied characters of these stories who can't see around the corners from their youthful perspectives. They are unapologetically naive and hard with experience at the same time. Who cares what is coming? There is only now—this story—when you are almost an adult. Great read!
