

Always Rebellious: Cimarroneando, the Poetic Voice of Georgina Herrera

As Always Rebellious: Cimarroneando, Georgina Herrera's groundbreaking poetry collection, graces our shelves, we are invited to embark on a captivating journey through the depths of identity, resistance, and the Latinx experience.



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CIMARRONEANDO



By Georgina Herrera

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Herrera, a renowned Chicana poet and activist, has crafted a collection that is both deeply personal and universally resonant. Her poems, written primarily in Spanish with English translations, explore the complexities of being a woman, a Latina, and a citizen of the United States in an ever-changing world.

Through her evocative imagery and rhythmic language, Herrera weaves together themes of love, loss, memory, and displacement. She celebrates the resilience and strength of her community while confronting the injustices and inequalities they face.

The title of the collection, "Cimarroneando," is a powerful metaphor that embodies the spirit of rebellion and resistance. Cimarrón is a Spanish term that refers to escaped slaves who lived in the wilderness and formed their own communities. Herrera uses this image to evoke the spirit of defiance and self-determination that has characterized the Latinx experience throughout history.

In "Forbidden Fruit," Herrera explores the complexities of her identity as a woman of color in the United States:

Yo soy la fruta prohibida, the one they don't want to taste, the one the

Herrera's words are a powerful affirmation of self-worth and a fierce challenge to the racism and sexism that she and countless others have faced. She refuses to be silenced or defined by others and instead embraces her own unique identity.

Displacement and the search for home are also recurring themes in *Always Rebellious*. In "Poema para mi padre," Herrera writes of the longing for connection to her homeland, El Salvador, which she was forced to leave due to political violence:

I want to go home, but home is a place I can only dream of now.

Herrera's poetry captures the pain and loss of displacement while also expressing a deep sense of hope and resilience. She reminds us that even when we are forced to leave our physical homes, we can always carry our memories and our culture with us.

Always Rebellious is an essential collection for anyone who seeks to understand the complexities of the Latinx experience and the power of poetry as a tool for resistance and healing. Georgina Herrera's voice is a clarion call for justice and equality, and her poems will continue to inspire and empower generations to come.

Critical Acclaim

Always Rebellious has received widespread critical acclaim, with many reviewers praising Herrera's powerful voice and insightful exploration of identity and belonging.



“Herrera's poetry is a force of nature, a powerful testament to the resilience and strength of the Latinx community.” —The New York Times Book Review

"A must-read for anyone who cares about poetry, social justice, and the human experience." —Ms. Magazine

"Herrera's poems are a testament to the power of language to heal, empower, and inspire change." —The Rumpus”

Always Rebellious: Cimarroneando is a groundbreaking work of poetry that will resonate with readers of all backgrounds. Georgina Herrera's voice is a powerful force for change, and her poems will continue to inspire and empower for years to come.



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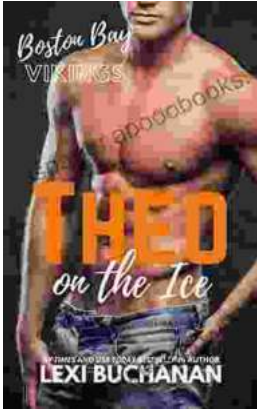
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