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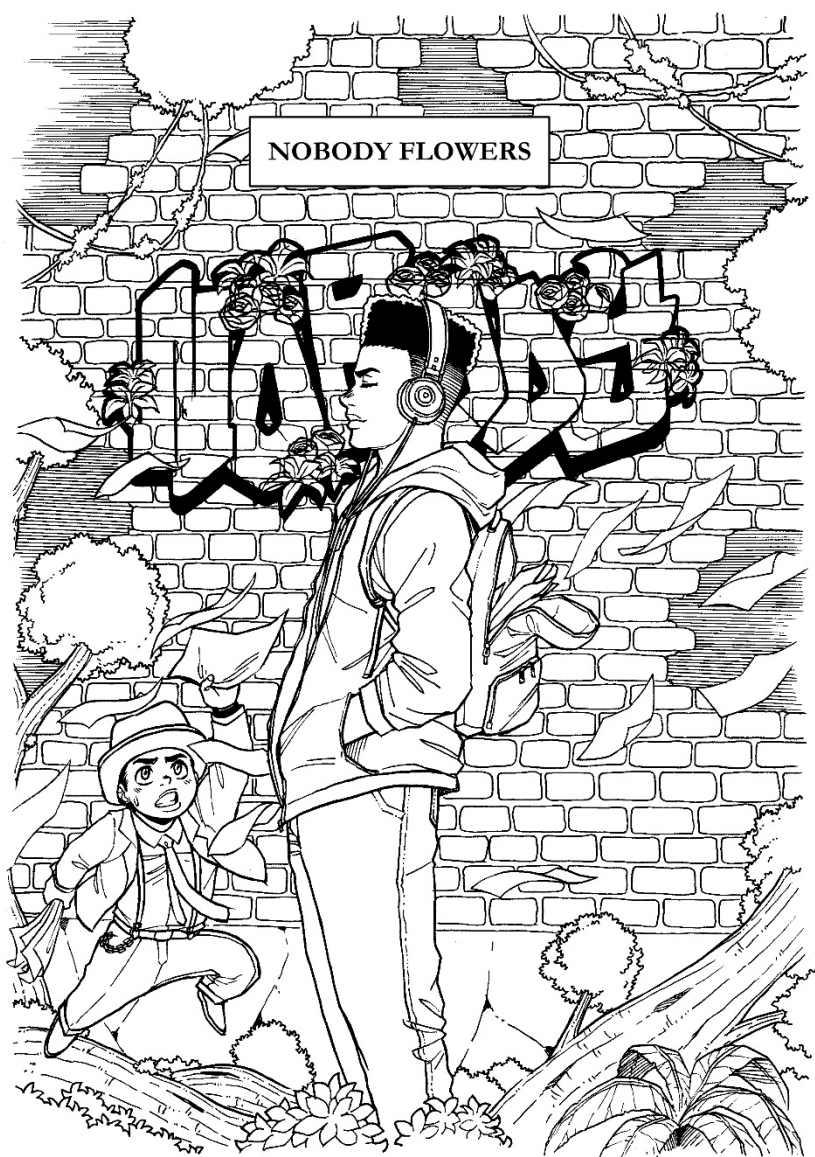
# NOBODY FLOWERS

The book cover is a vibrant illustration. At the top, the title "NOBODY FLOWERS" is written in a large, white, distressed font with black outlines, set against a background of a brick wall. Below the title, a young man with dark skin and short black hair is shown in profile, facing left. He is wearing large green headphones, a purple hoodie, and tan pants, with a brown backpack on his back. He stands in front of a brick wall that has a large, colorful graffiti piece on it. The graffiti is a stylized, abstract shape in red, yellow, and black, with red roses and black musical notes integrated into it. Yellow paint drips down from the graffiti. In the bottom left corner, a smaller character with dark skin, wearing a green suit, a white shirt, a dark tie, and a green fedora, is running towards the left. He has a determined expression. Several white papers or leaves are floating in the air around the characters. The background is a brick wall with some green bushes and trees visible at the edges.

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## Nobody Flowers

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## IT SOUNDED LIKE LOVE

If a man falls in love  
and no one's around to hear it  
does it make a sound?

My body thinks about the love  
that your romance would bring,  
but love isn't a romantic thing

It thinks about the notes  
your fingers would carry  
because your hands could sing

And I hated how quiet my body went  
with your no hands approach to it,  
No longer in use



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It used to speak languages you'd understand,  
You were both fluent,  
my body and you

Now it only speaks in stutters and flukes  
Why was there harm in the harmony  
if harming me only made me a mute?

I was hurt by your verse and tunes  
Every bar slowly caged me,  
and now I no longer hear from you

And now you'll no longer hear from me  
A man who fell in love will love you  
quietly



## WE WHO WRITE

I and my kin  
tend to be cheaper than our pens,  
due to supply and demand  
of the unwritten plight

Which causes, in the end,  
for us to live within  
The prying hands of men  
looking for their grips on life



## THE NEGATIVITY

When it comes to attitude and lack of gratitude,  
I have no rebuttal  
I'd rather write poems on your anger  
and how it's so unbecoming

And to answer questions of my methods  
as I stand with this shovel  
I'd rather dream in my grave  
than sleep next to a negative woman

At least I would rest in peace,  
rather than live in pieces  
And as I piece together my thoughts,  
tell me, what's wrong with my thesis?

You say I'm overly sensitive  
because I can sense whenever there's anger,  
but is it such a bad thing to be able  
to notice when your peace of mind is in danger?

Rather than reward you for snapping  
and neglecting the logic,  
I'll show you how negativity  
turns back the wheels on our progress

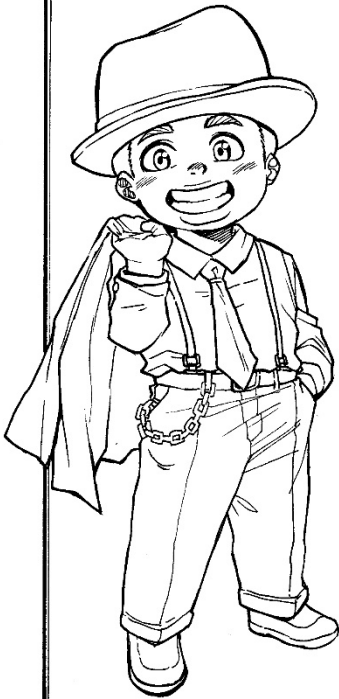
Searching for a homely feel in a home that heals  
Mi casa the hospice  
The music isn't bumping if the energies off,  
I'm not nodding to your nonsense

Spread love, not the toxins





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Name: Buddy, The Agent  
of Imagination

Age: 7

Height: 3' 9"

Weight: 62 lbs

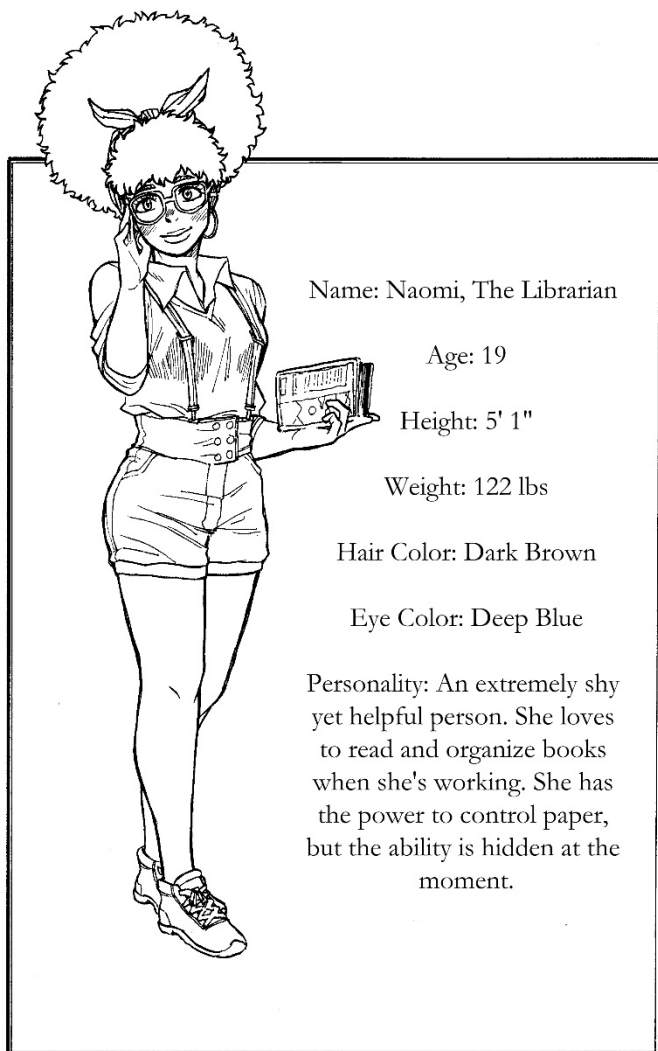
Hair Color: Black

Eye Color: Light Brown

Personality: A high spirited young boy. He's very comical and is always following Nobody, trying to help him reach his max potential. His happiness comes from seeing other people happy.



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Name: Naomi, The Librarian

Age: 19

Height: 5' 1"

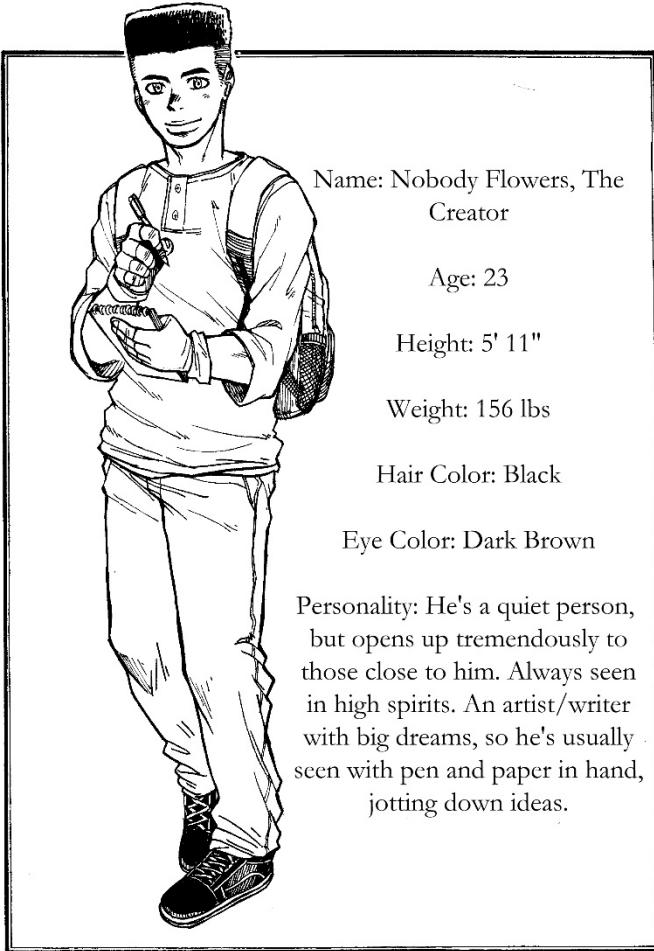
Weight: 122 lbs

Hair Color: Dark Brown

Eye Color: Deep Blue

Personality: An extremely shy yet helpful person. She loves to read and organize books when she's working. She has the power to control paper, but the ability is hidden at the moment.

## MICHAEL D FLOWERS



Name: Nobody Flowers, The  
Creator

Age: 23

Height: 5' 11"

Weight: 156 lbs

Hair Color: Black

Eye Color: Dark Brown

Personality: He's a quiet person,  
but opens up tremendously to  
those close to him. Always seen  
in high spirits. An artist/writer  
with big dreams, so he's usually  
seen with pen and paper in hand,  
jotting down ideas.



## INVITATION TO REVIEW

I'd like to formally welcome any and every one to review the book, especially if you enjoyed it. No matter how you share your thoughts on the subject, whether it be online or through word of mouth, please express your feelings towards this project. Nobody Flowers was a very experimental passion project and we'd like to know how it was received.

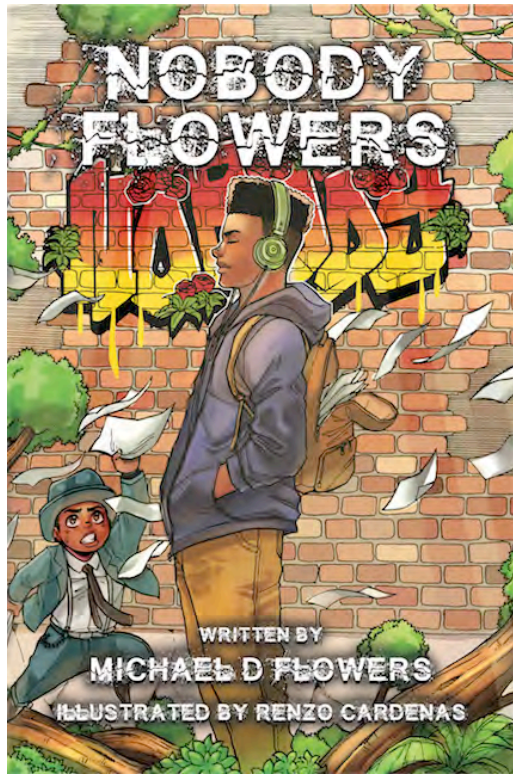
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