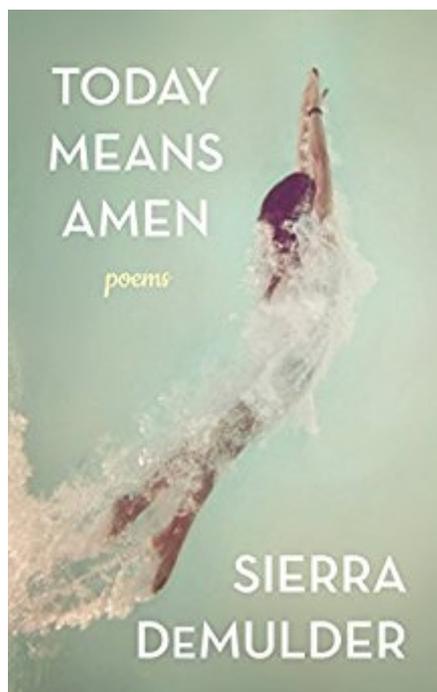


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# Today Means Amen



## Synopsis

Dear you: Whoever you are, However you got here, This is exactly where you are supposed to be. This moment has waited its whole life for you. These are the opening lines of "Today Means Amen," YouTube star Sierra deMulder's immensely powerful and virally popular poem, which lends its title to this collection. Like her fellow Millennial poets Tyler Knot Gregson, Clementine von Radics, and Lang Leav, Sierra has the gift of speaking directly to the reader. "Today Means Amen" has become an anthem of sorts to thousands, who find themselves reflected in its pain, its fierceness, its tenderness but also in its triumphant culminating refrain: "You made it You made it You made it Here. The poems in Sierra's new book explore the rocky terrains of love, family, and womanhood with this same remarkable honesty and generosity. Today Means Amen brings this important young poet's work to an even broader audience.

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## Customer Reviews

My son gave me this book of poetry for my birthday. I didn't even sit down before I started enjoying it. I have not read all the poems. I have found that I enjoy the book more when I pick it up randomly and flip it open to a poem not yet read. Today I flipped it open to, For My Niece Livia, Age 8 Just

another fine example of Sierra's ability to write with the honest emotions, thoughts and feelings we all have. If you enjoy Button Poetry (which Sierra is a co-founder) you will really enjoy Today Means Amen.

I'm a HUGE fan of Sierra DeMulder. This collection is just as magical as all of her work. I love how she is so honest and unrepentant. She will make you laugh and make you cry in the same poem (i.e.: For Livia, Age 8). Her work should be required reading for all.

Rating: 5 out of 5 stars ⭐️⭐️⭐️⭐️⭐️ I received a free autographed copy of this book through the Goodreads First Reads program. This is a book of poetry. Sierra DeMulder's poems are filled with brutally honest emotions and give the readers a glimpse into her life and her loves. It is obvious that Sierra channels all her emotions - both good and bad into her poetry and readers will be able to relate. The purity of emotion and the honesty apparent in these poems is both refreshing and heart-wrenching. If you do not feel something when reading these poems then you just are not human. I rate this book of poetry as 5 out of 5 stars ⭐️⭐️⭐️⭐️⭐️

Sierra DeMulder combines every kind of heartbreak in Today Means Amen and somehow it heals parts of you that you didn't know you needed or wanted healed. She makes it very clear that the human spirit and the ability to express it are alive and well. Buy this book for you and buy one for your worst enemy: he/she needs this too.

This book was written for me. Like many people, I cry sometimes. Like many people, I feel things I tenderly and strongly. Like many people, I have struggled with depression most of my life. Feelings of unworthiness, hopelessness, feeling lost. Hope has been hard to come by. But not in the pages of this book. When you read this book, you can hear the sincerity of someone struggling against the same monsters. The struggle to feel worthy when you are surrounded by pain and guilt and fear is a central theme of her work, but instead of fetishizing the pain, she transforms it. She shows how this deep feeling she brings to her life creates beauty and art, whether there is pain or joy. For her, there is a catharsis of hope, and a hallelujah that she and the reader are beautifully present for another day. Whether she's discussing a breakup, an intensely sensual experience with a lover, or explaining that each day of being present, of making it, is a spiritual gift, she heals with her words. Her desperate honesty, love of self, and incisive wit make her poetry an event. I cry at her words, yes, but I'm supposed to. And then I don't, because she gave me hope. She is a seance, a

wake, and a group therapy session, altogether. I love her, her gifts she gave us, and the emotions she unlocks and lets run wild. Buy the book.

I discovered Sierra DeMulder on youtube like many other people, and have really looked forward to purchasing this most recent book. Reading the poem "Today means amen" always makes me emotional. It's an amazing thing!

I have said for years, and this book confirms, Sierra DeMulder is one of the most important voices in modern American poetry. Her willingness to lay bare the most vulnerable edges of her soul is only exceeded in beauty by her delicate, graceful descriptive abilities. From the car-crash painful, jarring confrontations of sexual passion to the light-handed ease of her bond with her young niece, it's hard to go more than 2-3 pages without putting the book down to simply breathe it all in. I could write a book about this book (for real), and can (and will) defend that there are no less than three 100% perfect poems inside. I've read it about 3 times now, and it will take many more times to know for sure, but this may well be one of my favorite books of poetry ever published. Also, none of this is hyperbole. For serious.

Sierra DeMulder's poetry hits you in the gut, in the heart, in all the tender places you thought no one else could ever understand. Then it reaches out a hand and helps you back up. This collection is beautiful and necessary.

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