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About Marcus Blake

Marcus Blake was born in Chicago, Illinois in 1977. He grew up in Chicago and East Texas. His education is in History, Literature, Psychology, and Religion & Philosophy. Marcus Blake has studied at many universities throughout the United States, but his Alma Mater is Stephen F. Austin State University in Nacogdoches Texas, which is also where he wrote his first book, *The Music of Life*. Marcus Blake is a Poet, Writer, and Historian. He has taught in the public school system, served in the Army, and been a guest speaker at Education and Literary events throughout the world. Marcus Blake is now a full time writer, teacher, and lecturer He makes his home in the Dallas/Ft. Worth Texas area

Mr. Blake teaches and is the creator of the continuing education course, *The Art of Storytelling*. He guides and tutors beginning writers while maintaining an active lecturing schedule. Marcus Blake is very active in the literary world. Marcus Blake is also a professional musician; he writes music and is an accomplished piano player. In 2008 he won his first two national literary awards. He won the 2008 American Book Choice Award for Fiction for his book *Returning Home* in recognition for the best of Independent Literature in 2008. He also won the 2008 S.T.I.F. Award for his book *Sex Game* in recognition for the best of Sexual Literature in 2008. Marcus Blake is an author that that writes not for entertainment, but for the great art of telling a story. He writes to tell a truth; it's a truth about the human condition that comes from the observations made from a great writer. As he would tell you, writing is his passion, his career, and his source for inspiration. He travels throughout the world most of year lecturing, teaching, and writing.

Accomplishments

2008 American Book Choice for Fiction Award Winner
National Literary Foundation

2008 Sexual Tales in Fiction Award Winner
National Literary Foundation

The Dueling Patriots Radio Show: Co-Host

2010 Spokes Person for My Energy Solutions

4 Times Starving Writers Books Best Seller

Named one of the most censored authors for '07 '08 '09

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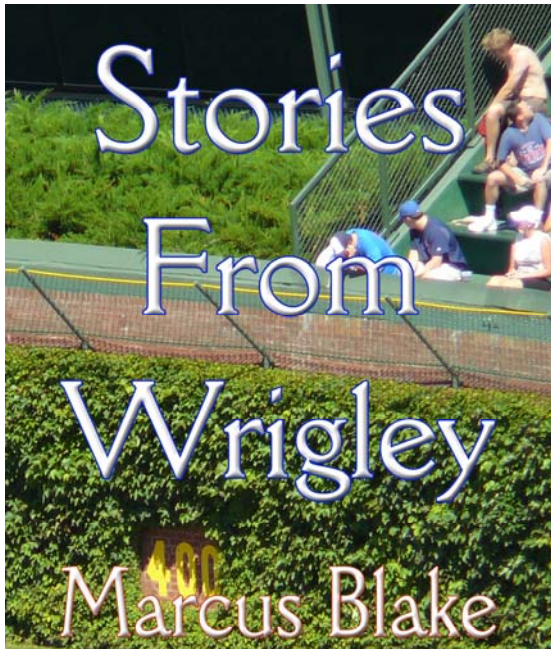
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Stories From Wrigley

By Marcus Blake



Baseball is a way life when you are a Chicago Cubs fan or player. It's been that way for over a 100 years and that's never been truer than for the Larson family. Since 1906 a member of the Larson family has played for the Chicago Cubs. Five generations of family have been with the team and a part of their rich history. Throughout the highs and lows in the history of the Chicago Cubs the Larson family have been there, sharing in the memories and intertwining their own lives with the Cubs. The Larson family have shared in the joy of winning lived through the heartbreak of defeat, but just like the fans that have cheered for the Chicago Cubs since the beginning for the 20th century there has never a better life. In a unique historical fiction story the history of the Chicago Cubs franchise since 1906 is told through the Larson family. *Stories From Wrigley* is about Paul Larson, George Larson, Jack Larson, Steve Larson, and Ryan Larson – they are the men who played and loved Chicago Cubs baseball for 100 years making it a way of life.

Stories from Wrigley is Marcus Blake's enduring story of baseball, family, and the Chicago Cubs told through the men who have played for the team since the early 20th century. The Cubs' rich history is shown through eyes of the one family who has had five generations play for the team since 1906. You have Paul Larson, the great hitter who played on the 1907 and 1908 championship team. George Larson, who just like his father was great hitter and as well as pitcher, played on the 1938 and 1945 team. Jack Larson, the son of George Larson, was a hall of fame pitcher that played on the 1969 Cubs team. Steve Larson, the wild and gifted pitcher who played on the 1984 and 1989 Cubs team and is the son of Jack Larson. Ryan Larson is the current Larson family member to play for the Cubs and is the son of Steve Larson. *Stories from Wrigley* centers on the 2008 baseball season and the 100th anniversary of the Cubs last World Series championship and is told in a series of stories by Amy Larson, the daughter of Steve Larson who works for the Chicago Sun-Times. *Stories From Wrigley* has three story lines in the book – the history of the franchise, the Larson family and its involvement with the Cubs since 1906 and the 1908 Cubs baseball season from a fictional standpoint.

This book is for every Cubs fan whose devotion never dies when it comes to the Northsiders!

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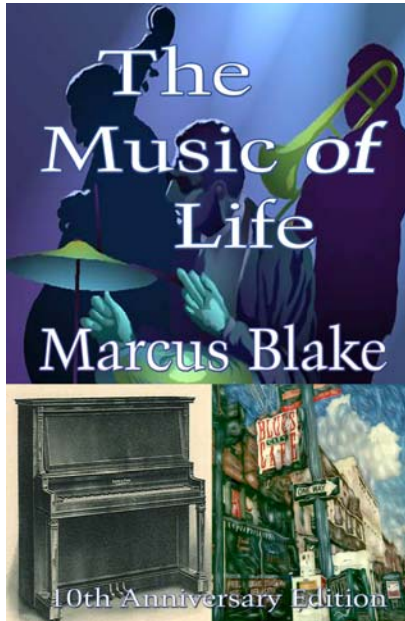
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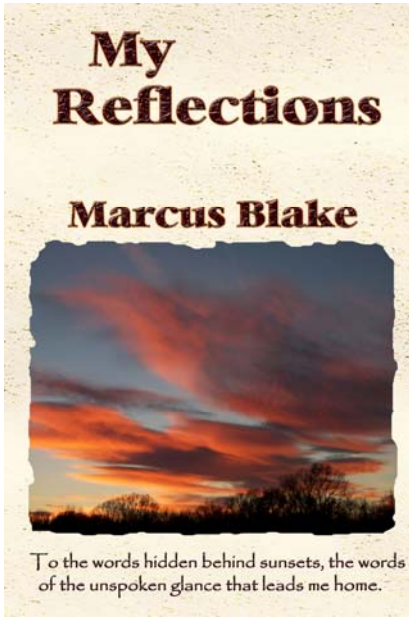
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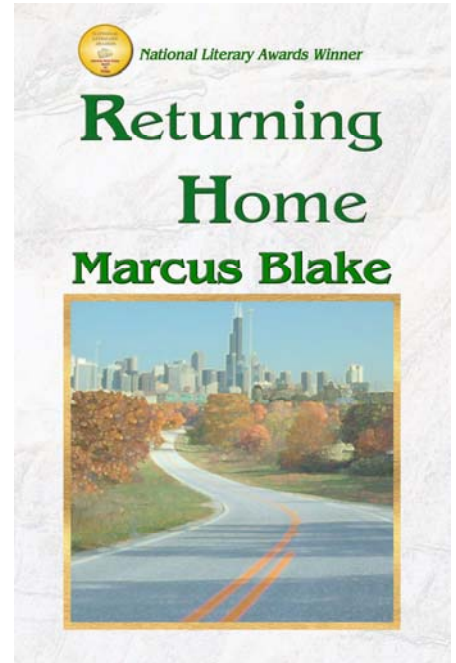
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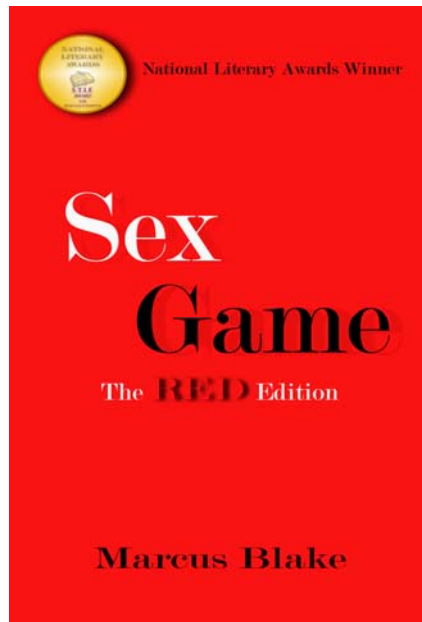
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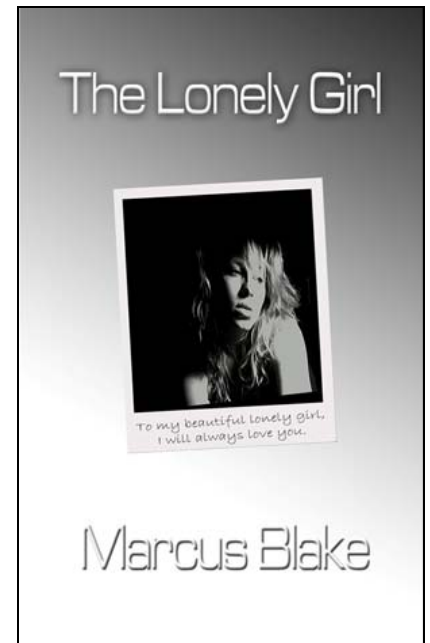
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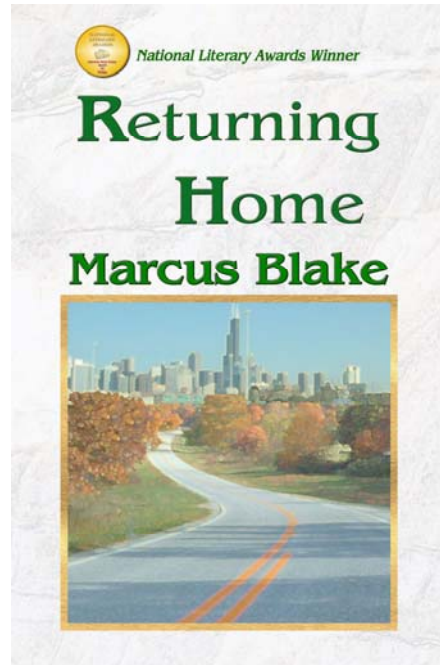
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**2008 S.T.I.F. Award Winner
National Literary Awards Committee**

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