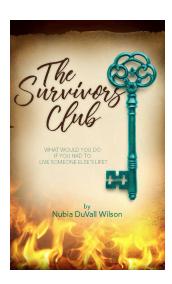
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The Survivors Club Speaks to Survivors of Sexual Abuse in the Shadows

Author Nubia Duvall Wilson expands awareness for PTSD and Survivorship in her debut novella

It isn't until you step into a survivor's shoes that you can understand the challenges of enduring sexual abuse and its ongoing repercussions. This is the major theme in the debut novella, *The Survivors Club*, by Nubia DuVall Wilson, who is a mother, a business owner, writer and a survivor of child sex abuse. About one in 10 children will be sexually abused before his/her 18th birthday.* On average, there are about 400,000 babies born in the U.S. that will become victims of child sexual abuse unless we do something to stop it.* View the book trailer here: https://youtu.be/FippD10EdWQ

Although very much a taboo topic—especially when it comes to incest—the issue is prevalent in America behind closed doors across all races and class structures—especially among children. Nubia is using her story and journey as a survivor to bring a voice to those who have none. Her new novella tells of the difficult journey to heal and live a "normal life" and how a strong community has the power to make that desire realized.



The journey to heal as a survivor of molestation and abuse as a child or adult has many parallels and the male and female characters in *The Survivors Club* all come from different backgrounds, yet all have that one thing in common: surviving. *The Survivors Club* will expand awareness for and donate 20% of each sale to two non-profits that are working hard to combat these issues: <u>The New York Center for Children</u>, which provides free evaluations and therapy services to child survivors of physical and sexual abuse and their families, and <u>Stop Child Predators</u>, which launches state and federal campaigns to inform lawmakers and the public about policy changes that will protect America's children from sexual predators.

The Survivors Club will be on sale on Amazon in May 2018. To receive a PDF or printed copy of the book or to request an interview with Nubia DuVall Wilson, please contact brandy shaydesign@yahoo.com.

The Survivors Club Synopsis and Endorsements:

Eva wakes up and finds herself in a 1920's lounge with four strangers. One by one, each is mysteriously pulled back in time by an invisible force to keep an unknown boy named Quentin alive. Without a sense of time and no way out, the group becomes entangled in a life-or-death situation. Tension increases while they piece together a puzzle that reveals more than just a complicated boyhood. Ultimately, each stranger has a secret that creates more unity than they could have imagined.

"I connected with Nubia after reading her novella...I felt so much compassion for Quentin and the other main characters who, as they got older, realized the crimes being done to them, "says Shari Botwin, LCSW.

Sheri-Ann Best, LCSW-R, owner of Broadhollow Psychotherapy shares, "We tend to shy away from tough topics and hard conversations in the name of not making waves. We don't want to rock the boat. Sometimes our survival relies on shaking things up. Nubia has done just that. This novella is rocking the boat and waking us up. We are waking up to the secrets whose destructive reach is much further than we know. Nubia shares a story that has the potential to mend a million open wounds; a thoughtful depiction of a survivor's will to heal.

* Tonsend, C., & Rheingold, A.A., (2013). Estimating a child sexual abuse prevalence rate for practitioners: studies. Charleston, S.C., Darkness to Light. Retrieved from www.D2L.org.



About Nubia DuVall Wilson:

Nubia DuVall Wilson is an author, poet, journalist and the owner of Cielo Consulting, a boutique public relations and marketing agency. Her passion for poetry and short stories began at the young age of five and her professional writing career launched at *Real Simple* magazine in 2006. Shortly after, she penned a humorous blog that retold her outrageous encounters and observations of strangers in New York City and abroad called *Encounters with Strangers*, which become a book of vignettes with the eponymous name, published in June 2013 (Cielo Press). *The Survivors Club* is her first novella, inspired by her journey to heal as a survivor of childhood sexual abuse. Nubia graduated from Barnard College, Columbia University with a degree in English and a minor in Religion. She lives in South Orange, New Jersey, with her husband, daughter and son. Learn more at www.nubiaduvall.com Connect on Facebook, Instagram, Twitter and on her Amazon Author Page.

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