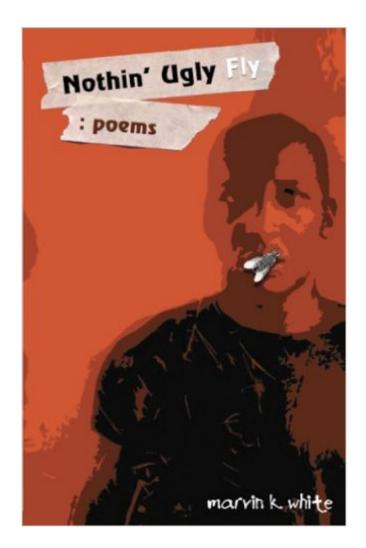
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Nothin' Ugly Fly





Synopsis

Poetry. African American Studies. LGBT Studies. Lambda Literary Award finalist. "In NOTHIN' UGLY FLY, Marvin K. White follows his celebrated last rights by charting the course from being a boy 'dangerous and unexpected' to being a man who becomes 'expected' through loving another man. The black bird that is his poetry emerges out of the relation between what is said and what is only hinted in the voice and music of his work. In his best poems, the self asserted is fiercely witty and soul-filled, and it embodies the whole flock of men he acknowledges, honors and celebrates. This is a book that lifts off and lifts up"â "Forrest Hamer.

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