Alyssa Joy Miller

Biography

Alyssa Joy Miller (she/her) is an author-poet who explores themes of faith, interconnectedness, justice, and race in America through stories for youth and adults. She is a Cave Canem regional workshop acceptee, a 2024 Mirrors & Windows Loft Literary Fellow, a recipient of the 2025 MN State Arts Board Creative Grant and a publishing professional. She is also the founder of Brown Noise, a virtual writing space for multiracial artists. She is currently working on a YA novel-in-verse that explores the mixed-Black coming-of-age experience in an HBCU setting; a voicey middle grade dual POV hybrid about flag football, and a historical fiction picture book. She is represented by Serendipity Literary Agency, NY.

Alyssa received her BA from Howard University in Journalism, Certificate of Digital Editing & Publishing from the University of Chicago, and her MFA in Creative Writing for Children and Young Adult Literature from Hamline University where she won the Anne Tews Schwab Award for her braided essay research tracing Black sermonic rhetoric in free verse—a topic she guest lectures on.

Alyssa is soulmate to Matthew, they have four beautiful children and reside in the Dakóta lands of St. Paul, MN. You can find her active in the broader Twin Cities writing community with events through MNBIPOCKidlit, MN Black Authors Expo, TruArtSpeaks, and The Loft.

