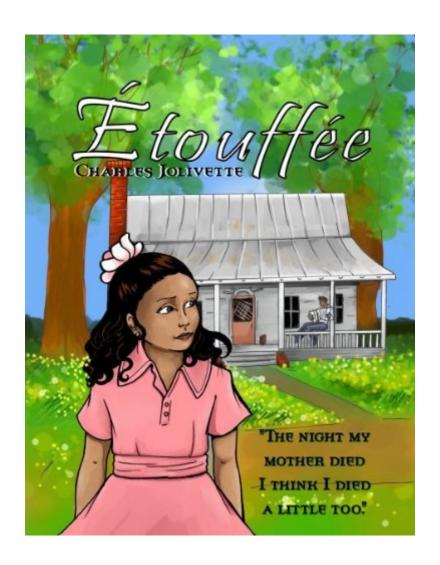


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Synopsis

A victorious feast of love and courage. Bon Appetit.San Francisco writer Charles Jolivette is launching his debut novel, Étouffée, after a successful ten-year stint as an independent recording artist. From the stage to the page, Jolivetteâ TMS crisp writing style captures the essence of Southern 1940â TMS living from the opening line. An often overlooked ethnic group, the Louisiana Creoles, find a place within the pages of Étouffée, a heart-warming story of a father raising his daughter after the death of her mother. Étouffée is the unique view into the lives of a family traumatized by death and bound together by their love for food, music and each other.Jennifer Gordon Grant of BET Networks calls Étouffée, â œA story that will put you in touch with your own roots, and something that everyone can enjoy and appreciate! It's a smile waiting to happen." Author Charles Jolivette is a descendant of the Louisiana Creoles. He released his first project, a book of poetry at the age of 19 and has gone on to perform on the same stages as international sensations Fred Hampton Jr. and Michael Franti. A San Francisco native, Charles works with non-profit organizations and high schools teaching life skills, job training and athletics when he is not writing.

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Sitting in tears, my first reaction after finishing Etouffee was, "Wow--What a journey!" This novel is not only a detailed look into the Creole culture as a whole, but a warm embrace for those who are. This fictional recounts the tale of significant relationship between a man and his young daughter in the midst of adversity. Throughout the story, they both attempt to find peace and wholeness after a tragedy in their family. The author artfully takes the reader step by step as the truth unfolds while allowing you to savor every single bite. As if learning the steps to a new recipe, Jolivette adds each key ingredient one by one. Etouffee wrapped itself around my heart from start to finish. This book was a great escape, and can be a trip down memory land for many. This work is well-rounded and thorough, yet fast paced. This is a remarkable tale of Creole living in the 1940's, a family's ability to endure, and the resilience of the human spirit. Just like any great Etouffee, this novel was perfectly seasoned and good until the very last drop. Bon Appetit!Morgan R. ChambersAuthor of "The Growing Seed"

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