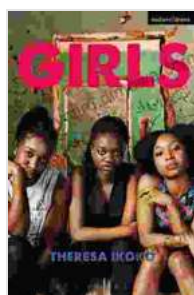


# Girls Modern Plays: A Collection of Inspiring and Thought-Provoking Plays by Anna Deavere Smith

Anna Deavere Smith is a playwright, actress, and professor who has been creating powerful and thought-provoking theater for over 40 years. Her work often focuses on social justice issues, and her plays have been praised for their realism, insight, and ability to spark important conversations.



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Girls Modern Plays is a collection of 11 plays written by Smith between 1987 and 2018. The plays explore the lives of young women of color and address issues such as race, gender, identity, and violence. These plays have been performed all over the world and have been praised by critics for their power and impact.

## Themes

The plays in Girls Modern Plays explore a wide range of themes, including:

- Race
- Gender
- Identity
- Violence
- Social justice

Smith's plays do not offer easy answers to the complex issues they raise, but they do provide a space for dialogue and exploration. They challenge audiences to think critically about the world around them and to work towards a more just and equitable society.

### **Characters**

The characters in Girls Modern Plays are as diverse as the plays themselves. They come from different backgrounds, experiences, and perspectives, but they all share a common desire to be seen and heard.

Some of the most memorable characters in the collection include:



- **Tiara** from *Twilight: Los Angeles, 1992*



- **Lena** from *Fires in the Mirror*



- **Angela** from *The House on Mango Street*

These characters stay with you long after you finish reading the plays. They are reminders of the challenges facing young women of color in the 21st century, but they are also beacons of hope and resilience.

### **Significance**

Girls Modern Plays is a significant collection of plays that offers a unique and powerful perspective on the lives of young women of color. These plays are essential reading for anyone interested in contemporary theater, social justice, or the human experience.

The plays in this collection have been produced all over the world and have been praised by critics for their power, insight, and impact. They have been used in schools and universities to teach about race, gender, and identity. They have also been performed by community theaters and professional companies, bringing their message to a wide range of audiences.

Girls Modern Plays is a powerful and necessary collection of plays that will continue to be relevant and important for years to come.

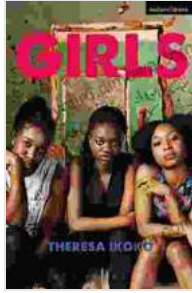
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I highly recommend this collection of plays to anyone who wants to learn more about the challenges facing young women of color in the 21st century. These plays are powerful, insightful, and important. They will stay with you long after you finish reading them.

### **Additional Resources**

- [Anna Deavere Smith's website](#)
- [Girls Modern Plays on Our Book Library](#)

- Playbill article about Girls Modern Plays



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