

# Life Is Guarded: A Perfectly Stated Novella

In the novella *Life Is Guarded*, author J.D. Adams explores the complexities of human relationships and the power of perspective. Through the story of two sisters, Adams delves into the depths of love, loss, grief, and hope.

The story begins with the death of the sisters' mother. As they grieve, each sister copes with her loss in different ways. The older sister, Sarah, is consumed by guilt and anger. She lashes out at her younger sister, Rachel, and withdraws from the world. Rachel, on the other hand, is determined to find a way to move on. She seeks solace in her friends and family, and she tries to find meaning in her mother's death.



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As the sisters struggle to come to terms with their loss, they begin to learn more about each other. They discover that they have more in common than they thought, and they begin to heal their relationship. In the process, they learn that life is not always fair, but it is always worth living.

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## **About the Author**

J.D. Adams is a writer, editor, and teacher. She has published two novels, *The Familiars* and *The Great Cat*, as well as several short stories and essays. Her work has appeared in *The New York Times*, *The Washington Post*, and *The Guardian*. Adams is a graduate of the University of Iowa Writers' Workshop and the recipient of a National Endowment for the Arts Fellowship.

## **Reviews**

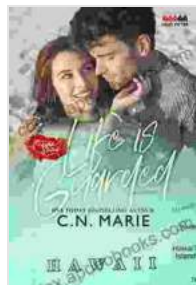
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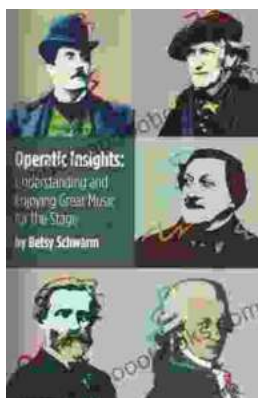
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