Monsters Vs New York: The Supernatural Rule

Performance Poetry

Broadway for Arts Education
Dedication

For inner demons.
For people who are stuck in the dark.
For angels to be aware.
For the light.
For the self-aware.
Pray for my sins.
We dedicate this work to you.
Life is like a game. You play your cards right and you succeed; choose wrong or cheat, there will be consequences ... but what happens when the game is rigged? Then what? Survival is key.

- Viviana
I am not villainous nor heroic. Do I possess the traits of a hero? The darkness takes a hold of me. Can’t seem to get out of the strings. You may ask how I became the hero of this story. I wouldn’t have an answer to that mystery. Do I fear the villain or am I brave to realize what the villain is. It’s simple they say until they are captured by the villain like a hostage trying to break free. Until they realize it’s too late, the villain has already taken over.

A villain comes in many forms and I am one of them. This idea that I have the power to consume you, makes you feel less. The darkness I hold creeps behind you. When you turn around nothing is there. I am attached to the deepest parts of the soul, you can always try to get rid of me. There is no hero in this story, only hope the villain will creep up on you suddenly. Life is like a puzzle you can try to put yourself together. But I’m the villain you say, a misunderstood puzzle piece that doesn’t fit right anymore. So at the end of the day, Think to yourself is there really a hero and a villain? That’s your choice to choose.

- Jaylyn
"Not all beautiful flowers will live as long as others do. All the petals will run out eventually."

- Jayla
- Tasmeen
I am here for you because you always believed in me when no one else did.
Do you think it’s possible to be reborn?
Maybe if you would open your third eye, the world could flourish.
It’s not always easy, but it’s worth it.
Who tells you that God isn’t real?
Is it someone you know?
Listen to that voice and make sure it guides you.
Ask yourself: Do I think I’m worth it?

- Tasmeen
Thank you!

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Alyssa
Amina
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Angelia*
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Thank you!

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