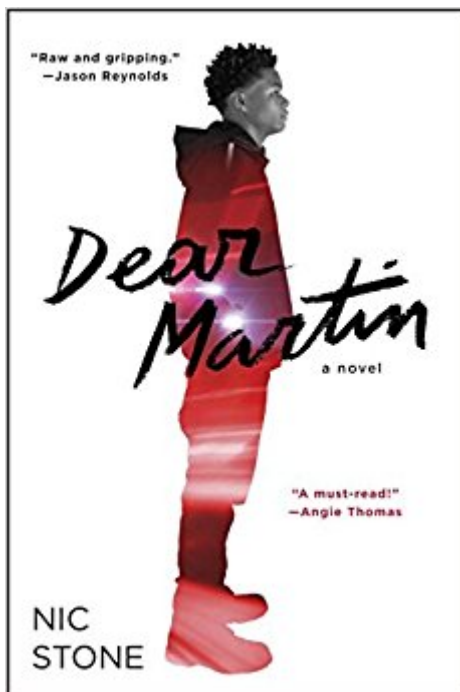


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Nic Stone is a native of Atlanta and a Spelman College graduate. After working extensively in teen mentoring and living in Israel for a few years, she returned to the United States to write full-time. *Dear Martin*, her first novel, is loosely based on a series of true events involving the shooting deaths of unarmed African American teenagers. Shaken by the various responses to these incidents — and

to the pro-justice movement that sprang up as a resultâ ”Stone began the project in an attempt to examine current affairs through the lens of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.â™s teachings. Â You can find her fangirling over her husband and sons on Twitter and Instagram at @getnicced or on her website nicstone.info.

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