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Anna Lightwood, eldest child of Gabriel and Cecily, is mad, bad and dangerously dapper. Every rake has an origin story, though: now under Brother Zachariah's eye we see Anna's doomed love story unfold.

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Diana (booksinarmor) says

So i'm completely broken after Matthew's story but like if I'm honest with myself Anna Lightwood could hit me and I would be thankful....

kim hannah says

????????? **4.5 Stars**

Only 4.5 because it wasn't long enough haha!!

"They are only what makes me feel beautiful and powerful in this moment. I am exactly as I choose to be"

? **Anna Lightwood.** *Confident. Dapper. Powerful*

Anna has always known who she was. It was one thing to have it known privately but sharing it with others was another.

"Foolish people say so many things. But we know who we are, inside"

Please give it up for parents of the year - Cecily & Gabriel Lightwood!!!!

What Cecily says and does for her daughter is beautiful. Cecily wants Anna to be **comfortable** and **confident** with the person she is. She wants her to be **herself** and **embrace it**. Cecily shows her to be **strong** and to **follow her heart** regardless of what people says. The way she **accepts** her and **reassures** her that **love cannot be wrong** .

"I do not think love can be wrong"

- Oh Matthew Fairchild - you sweet beautiful child

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"Even where laws are unjust, hearts can find a way to be together. If you love someone, I have no doubt you will find a way to spend your life with them."

I wish it was longer. I need more of Anna and Cecily Lightwood!

I need the next one now. Please and thank you.

1. Son of Dawn ?????
2. Cast Long Shadows ?????
3. Every Exquisite Thing ?????
4. Learn About Loss ?????
5. A Deeper Love ?????
6. The Wicked Ones ???
7. The Land I Lost???

Noura Khalid (theperks of being noura) says

"Women should value other women, even if society often did not."

Reading about Anna and her choice of attire could possibly be one of the best things that I've read. I adored her character so much just by reading one short novella!

Her relationship with her cousins and brothers was heartwarming and a favorite part for me. You can see in this novella how Matthew has started to change after the events of Cast Long Shadows. Jem seeking out Warlocks and trying to find ways to help Tessa, Will and the children proved how much he hasn't changed. He's still the beloved Jem we all loved in the TID trilogy and being a Silent Brother hasn't taken anything away from him.

"They are only what makes me feel beautiful and powerful in this moment. I am exactly as I choose to be"

Natasha says

tbh Anna could step on me and I'd say 'thank you'

Ashlee » Library In The Country says

My heart is so full! I adored this story about Anna Lightwood! She is so devastatingly a Herondale, I love her.

The kids of my favorite English Shadowhunters are back with their witty banter and silly situations.

Additionally, Jem has been sent on a mission to the Shadow Market for information and we learn a little more about a certain warlock's parentage. ?

Cast Long Shadows and Every Exquisite Thing are two more stories setting the stage for the upcoming Last Hours series and I am *so damn excited* for it. I need more of these kids!

Kayla says

I really enjoyed this small novella very much. The characters were excellent and the romance was so lovely and even as a small quick read, I shipped Anna and Ariadne so much!

Emma Giordano says

I LOVED THIS NOVELLA WITH ALL OF MY HEART. Compared to all the Shadowhunter novellas, I feel this one only comes second to *The Fiery Trial*. Not to lay the puns on too thick, but it truly was an *exquisite* reading experience.

Anna Lightwood has one of the most unique and intriguing storylines I've ever read in young adult fiction. As a genderqueer lesbian in the late eighteen hundreds/early nineteen hundreds, I loved watching her transformation from a woman who tailors her brothers clothes to her body in secret to someone who recognizes she does not have to be just "one thing" (in her words.) Anna is strong yet vulnerable and I'm confident she will become one of my all time favorite characters.

Anna and her love interest in this novella are SO ADORABLE. I was intoxicated by their chemistry and despite some obstacles revealed throughout the story, I'm extremely hopeful we see more of them together in *The Last Hours*.

This novella was amazing and I am so, so excited for more.

Varsha says

A short story with a very important message. I loved getting to know Anna Lightwood and the dynamics between all the children of the TID main characters is so heartwarming. Lastly, Cecily and Gabriel are the best parents in the shadow world, the last scene had me crying you guys ?

fatima? says

COVER REVEAL!!

IS IT JUST ME OR DOES THE PERSON ON THE COVER ACTUALLY DOES LOOK A LOT LIKE **RUBY ROSE** ??!! IT'S JUST SO ASDFGHJKL ???

Beth says

"Even where laws are unjust, hearts can find a way to be together. If you love someone, I have no doubt you will find a way to spend your life with them."

This is one of my favourite short stories in the shadow hunter world.

There were SO many references.

- Father/Grandfather Worms (still one of my favourite things EVER)
- Ducks
- Necklaces
- Lots of Warlocks

Most importantly it shows so much **love and acceptance**.

I need more of Anna, and I love Cecily and Gabriel even more!

Women should value other women, even if society did not.

Son of the Dawn - 5 Stars

Cast Long Shadows - 3.5 Stars

Every Exquisite Thing - 5 Stars

Learn About Loss - 5 Stars

A Deeper Love - 4 Stars

The Wicked Ones - 4 Stars

The Land I Lost - 5 Stars

Through Blood, Through Fire - 5 Stars

Clara says

4.5 stars

GIVE ME TLH ALREADY

?Misericordia? ~ The Serendipity Aegis ~ ?????? ✨*♥? says

This gal is seriously rabid. Would a guy behaving like that be cute? Somehow, I doubt it.

A bit too melodramatic, even though some passages were positively delicious.

Q:

Everyone had their small wonderland. (c) Wrap me several!

Q:

"I understand your family has a very interesting history," Ariadne said. ...

"My grandfather was a worm, if that's what you mean," Anna said.

Ariadne laughed aloud. **“You didn’t like him?”**

“I didn’t know him,” Anna said. **“He was, quite literally, a worm.”** (c)

Q:

Usually, when one’s demon-loving relative develops a serious case of demon pox and turns into a giant worm with massive teeth, word gets around. People will talk. (c) LOL!

Q:

I can choose what suits me when it suits me. The trousers and jacket do not make me a man, and the necklace does not make me a woman. They are only what makes me feel beautiful and powerful in this moment. I am exactly as I choose to be. I am a Shadowhunter who wears gorgeous suits and a legendary pendant. (c)

Q:

The colors were soft in the sunrise, the waters of the Serpentine still. She felt friendship toward the ducks and the pigeons. She smiled at strangers.

...

This was what love was. It was total. It brought her together with everything.

...

The world was perfectly arranged, and all things and beings in it were worthy of love.

...

The perfect world she had dreamed of was shattered into a million pieces, turned to dust, and blown away. What replaced it was something cruel and strange. (c)

Q:

Even where laws are unjust, hearts can find a way to be together. If you love someone, I have no doubt you will find a way to spend your life with them... (c)

Q:

She had always known that she loved women the way she was expected to love men ...

... she found women beautiful and desirable, while men were good friends, brothers-in-arms, but nothing more. (c) A delightful way to put it. Quaint but still.

Q:

... a tragic love affair with a Shadowhunter who had chosen to be an Iron Sister rather than be with the one she loved. (c)

Q:

She had a smiling, watchful face, as if she liked the world but did not quite trust that it would be on its best behavior. (c)

Q:

... she took the derby that had been hosting the ham sandwich and placed it on her head

...

“I am modern and possessed of all sorts of advanced notions.” (c) Uh-huh, ham really brings that point across.

Q:

One must always bring one’s own bathtub. (c) Yep, I second that.

Banny Carstairs says

Anna better be happy and loved forever (:

ambsreads says

if i don't get more Anna Lightwood soon i think i'm going to explode

Melanie says

“Foolish people say so many things. But we know who we are...”

Anna Lightwood deserves the entire galaxy and all the stars within it, please spread the word. Like, the child of Cecily and Gabriel is a true blessing to the Shadowhunter universe. And the end of this made me happier than any other Shadowhunter short story I've ever read. In short, this story is love letter to nonbinary people, and we get to follow Anna embracing being a genderfluid lesbian. Even though everyone knows that queer people existed all throughout history, this story highlights how it was harder to come out back in the 1900s. But seeing Anna live their best life was everything and it warmed my heart so very much. And, again, Cassie Clare is just being more and more inclusive and she impresses me so very much. And there is f/f romance in this story, too! But the heart of this story is identity and being the person you are on the inside on the outside, too. Okay, I'm done gushing; this story we also get to see Anna and Matthew explore the London nightlife and meet a woman named Leopolda in a club and bring to ask a few questions. And soon, them and Brother Zachariah are trying to figure out what she's up to. And I think that we are soon going to get a lot more background story on Tessa, and I cannot wait for *The Last Hours*, friends. It is going to be so amazing, and now Anna is going to make me even more excited!

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(I read this in *Ghosts of the Shadow Market!*) ?
