

## **My Life is All I Have by V. Anthony Rivers, the New Intoxicating Story of Unconditional Love with Staggering Consequences**

*Main character Leesha Tyler's goals for herself are something of an enigma. She wants to be a bitch, a princess and a queen, and there are people in her life giving selflessly to help her capture each goal. So what does she have to lose? Everything!*

May 10, 2006 (FPRC) -- For the past five years, California based writer, V. Anthony Rivers, has published true-to-life stories that depict his deep understanding of people and the idiosyncrasies of life. Now in his latest novel, *My Life Is All I Have* (Strebor Books International, March 2006, Paperback, \$13.00) Rivers takes readers on a vivid journey into the life of an angry and defensive young woman who makes decisions to change her life at all cost. These decisions bring consequences that ultimately affect her and the lives of those closest to her.

Leesha Tyler wants out of "The Jungle," a Los Angeles neighborhood known for its crime, poverty, and rampant drug and gang activity. With the death of the only person whose unconditional love gave her hope, Leesha is left alone with her estranged mother and her mother's trifling live-in boyfriend. The only two people who make life bearable in "The Jungle" are Scottie and Trey. Even her close relationship and feelings for them, do not take away the pain and feelings of inadequacies that plague her daily. As her relationship with her mother deteriorates and other untimely events occur, anger and desperation to be free of everything and everyone in "The Jungle" fuels her. It seems the only thing holding her back from freedom is money; she needs lots of it as quickly as possible. It will be her chance encounter with a guard in front of a bank that puts in motion her plan to commit armed robbery. The consequences of this plan are surprising and will change the course of her life towards what she want most of all – freedom.

Published by Zane's Strebor Books International, *My Life Is All I Have*, told in raw first-person is filled with the kind of empathy, and pathos readers will have for someone like Leesha Tyler and recognize most about communities and places like "The Jungle." This story is an exact blend of contemporary fiction and street-lit flair that is sure to solidify V. Anthony Rivers' reputation as a rising star to watch for in the world of contemporary African American literature.

### About the Author

V. Anthony Rivers is the author of *Daughter By Spirit* and *Everybody Got Issues*. He has also contributed to various anthologies including: *Sistergirls.com*, *Chocolate Flava*, *Truth Be Told* and the forthcoming, *Love Is Never Painless*, a collection of novellas edited by Zane. A native of Los Angeles, California, he currently resides in Van Nuys, Ca. Mr. Rivers is available for online events, interviews, and book discussion conference calls. To learn more about him and his writings, visit him online at [www.vanthonyrivers.com](http://www.vanthonyrivers.com)

*My Life Is All I Have* is available nationwide where books are sold!

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