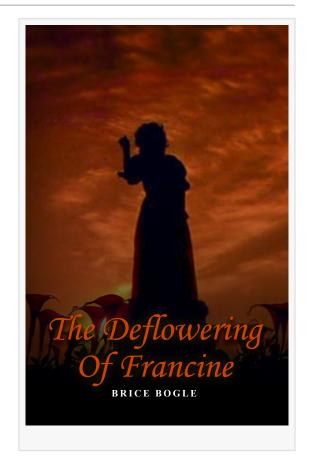


## Unconventional Encounter Sparks Introspective Fiction Set in Contemporary London

BROKEN ARROW, OK, UNITED STATES, August 26, 2025 /EINPresswire.com/ -- <u>The Deflowering of Francine</u>, a new literary fiction novel by <u>Brice Bogle</u>, has officially been released and is now available to readers.

The protagonist, Francine, is a young woman of layered complexity who survives through performance and reinvention. Her story spans across continents, with fragments of her past in Philadelphia, New York, and Texas contributing to her current existence on the margins of London society. Norman, recently divorced and seeking distraction, serves as both observer and participant in the unexpected narrative that develops between them.

Structurally, the novel draws from literary traditions that highlight realism and introspection. Through alternating character perspectives and nonlinear backstories, the author constructs a multidimensional portrait of two individuals navigating both inner turmoil and external



pressures. Their brief time together is rendered with clarity and restraint, avoiding sentimentality while preserving the emotional gravity of their experience.

Themes such as dislocation, self-presentation, and fleeting intimacy are explored with precision. The portrayal of London as a backdrop is detailed and atmospheric, with scenes unfolding across notable locales such as Soho, the South Bank, and Hyde Park. Dialogue throughout the book combines American and British idioms to reflect the characters' cultural differences while reinforcing the novel's cross-cultural lens.

The work also engages with questions of performance, both literal and metaphorical. Francine's guise as the daughter of late singer Warren Zevon serves as a pointed symbol of the personas individuals adopt to manage public perception and internal conflict. Her fabricated identity becomes both shield and currency, reflecting broader societal discussions on authenticity and

agency.

As the story progresses, the fragile connection between the two leads is tested by external interruptions and unresolved histories. With its focus on introspective character study and subdued narrative pacing, the novel aligns with the conventions of literary fiction while contributing new perspectives to discussions on transient relationships and personal reinvention.

The Deflowering of Francine is now available for purchase in both print and digital formats through major online retailers.

## About the Author

Brice Bogle was born in Wimpole Park, Cambridgeshire, England, and grew up as an Air Force brat. Though his professional path led him to become a Certified Public Accountant, storytelling has always remained close to his heart. He now lives in Broken Arrow, Oklahoma, with his wife, children, and grandchildren. The Deflowering of Francine is his third novel.

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