

Colorism Coloring Book

My favorite color is pink

What's your favorite color

Remember when you were a little kid and it didn't matter what color was your favorite.

Well now we're big kids and everyone seems to have a particular color in mind

And this is different from preference, people pick their favorite color based off of exclusion.

Welcome to the colorists coloring book

Where this coloring is not art of mine.

I am just another page in this book.

Society has outlined the picture that everyone should see me as.

They try so desperately for me to be kept colored inside the lines.

My lips too big for a pressed smile

My voice too loud for an argument

These stereotypes blend together to make the perfect shade of how American sees black women.

For this coloring book I always feel two shades to dark.

I am tired of black men picking the peaches and tans over the ebony's, cinnamons, black and browns, and hazelnuts.

The colorism is so deep rooted they don't want to recreate art just like them.

Why can't you see we are the color to your life.

Why can't I have a coloring box of my own.

inside it you will see blues that represent insecurities, reds that represent anger, whites for internalized racism

I am a beautiful tragic rainbow.

Black women are always last in the box

Black women are always the least to be respected

Black women are crayons that gripped so hard that they break

Black women are crayons that are pressed down so much that they become full

Black women are crayons that are so overused that they become useless

Please do not throw me away

I am beautiful and i am worth it

I think it's time to start coloring my own image

I think it's time to start coloring outside the lines.

64 crayola pack you don't got nothing on me

You don't like this art well too bad

Don't rip it out, colorism you can't wrap your fingers around another black girl and try to smother her to death all over again

I have so many shades of racism, colorism, microaggression, and backhanded compliment.

Stop this cycle and accept my art

Wait what did you say ur favorite color is again?