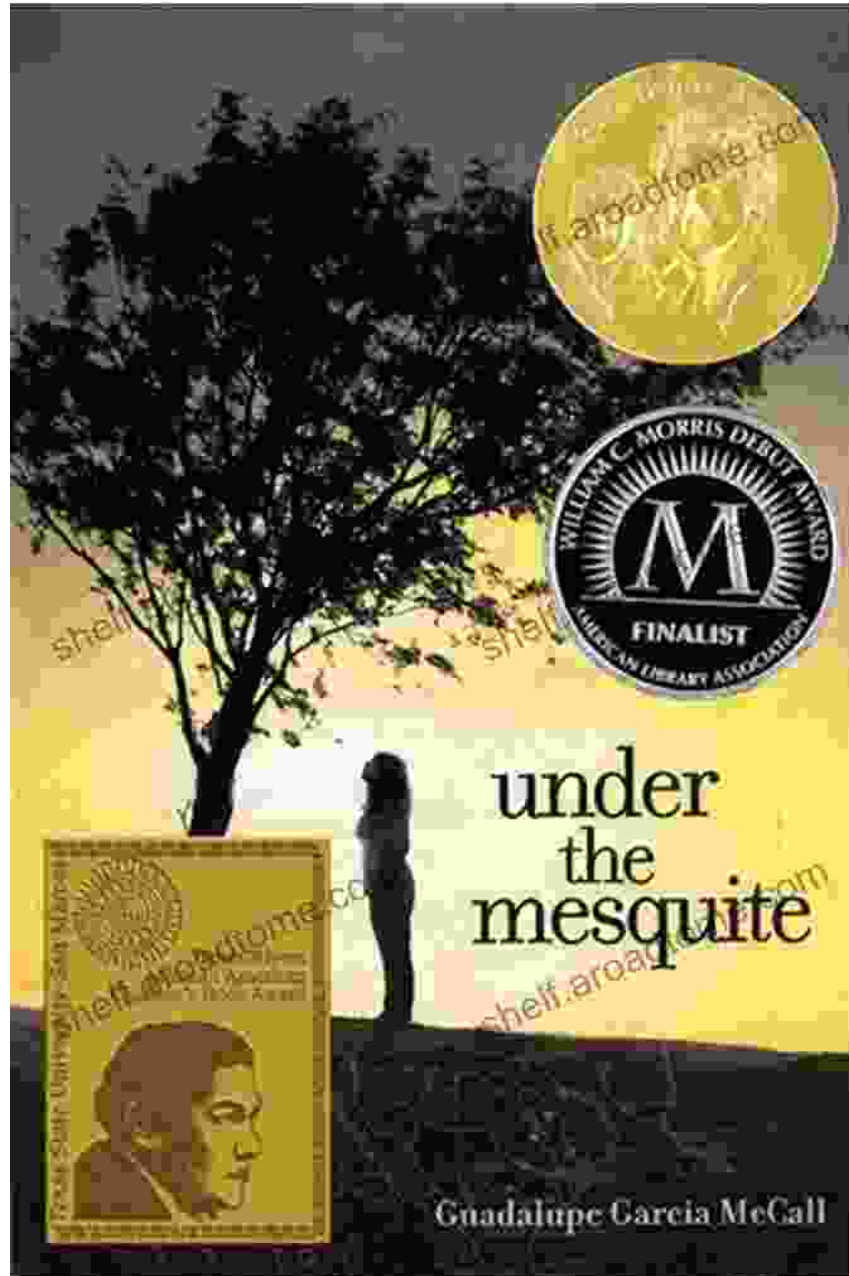


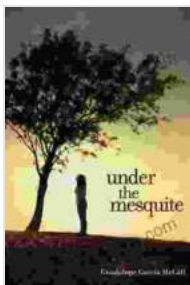
Under the Mesquite: A Poignant and Evocative Novel by Guadalupe Garcia McCall



Under the Mesquite by Guadalupe Garcia McCall is a poignant and evocative novel that explores the complexities of family, identity, and the

search for belonging. Set in the small town of Mesquite, Texas, the novel follows the lives of two Mexican American families over several decades.

The novel begins in the 1920s, with the arrival of the Garcia family in Mesquite. The Garcias are a hard-working family, but they are also struggling to make ends meet. They live in a small house on the outskirts of town, and the children often have to work in the fields to help support the family.



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Enhanced typesetting : Enabled
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Screen Reader : Supported



The other family in the novel is the Morales family. The Moraleses are a more affluent family, and they live in a large house in the center of town. The children of the two families often play together, but there is always a sense of separation between them. The Garcias are poor and Mexican American, while the Moraleses are wealthy and white.

As the novel progresses, the lives of the two families become increasingly intertwined. The Garcias and the Moraleses both experience their share of hardships, and they both learn to rely on each other for support. The novel also explores the complex issue of race and prejudice. The Garcias and the

Moraleses are both victims of discrimination, and they both struggle to find their place in a society that often seems hostile to them.

Under the Mesquite is a beautifully written and deeply moving novel. Guadalupe Garcia McCall has created a rich and complex world that is both timeless and timely. The novel is a must-read for anyone interested in Mexican American literature, family, identity, or the search for belonging.

Praise for *Under the Mesquite*

"*Under the Mesquite* is a powerful and moving novel that explores the complex and often painful experiences of Mexican Americans in the United States. Guadalupe Garcia McCall has written a beautifully crafted and unforgettable story that will stay with readers long after they finish reading it."—Sandra Cisneros, author of *The House on Mango Street*

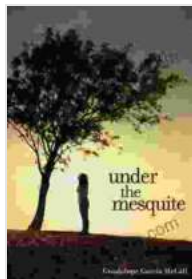
"*Under the Mesquite* is a stunning achievement. Guadalupe Garcia McCall has written a novel that is both deeply personal and universally resonant. The novel's characters are unforgettable, and the story is one that will stay with readers long after they finish reading it."—Junot Díaz, author of *The Brief Wondrous Life of Oscar Wao*

About the Author

Guadalupe Garcia McCall is a Mexican American writer. She was born in Mesquite, Texas, and she now lives in San Antonio. She is the author of two novels, *Under the Mesquite* and *Summer of the Mariposas*. She is also the recipient of numerous awards, including the American Book Award and the National Book Critics Circle Award.

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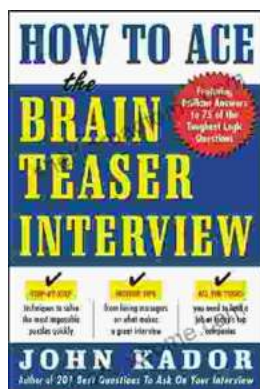
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