



A Hairpiece Named Denial

S. Sal Hanna

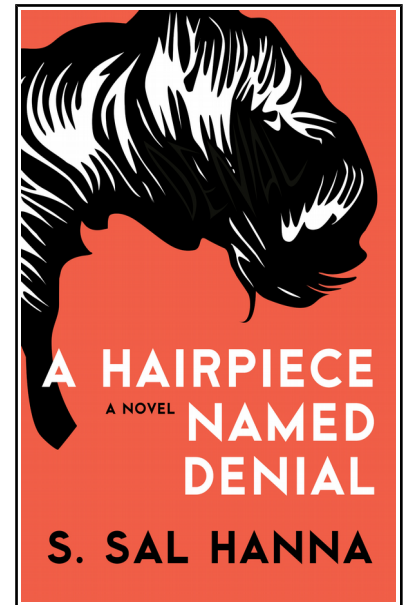
“Wipe that smile off your face is a redundant expression,” Alice claims, “for the cheeks of the face are the only cheeks that can support a smile.” Alice, an extraordinary writer of comic prose, is an elderly wealthy widow with no heirs who had kept her wealth a private matter. She crafts a unique plan to give away seven million dollars. A HAIRPIECE NAMED DENIAL tells her story as she unleashes her creativity, generosity, wisdom, and offbeat humor. Throughout the narrative, Alice interacts with a young man who holds a B.A. in Philosophy and wears an Elvis-pompadour hairpiece. She hires him as her “*deluxe cleaning lad,*” to use her label. Set in a small town on the Great Plains in the nineteen-eighties and beyond, the comic novel harbors serious insights into the human condition.

About the author

A HAIRPIECE NAMED DENIAL is a first novel by S. Sal Hanna. He believes novelists create people with words. “In trying to create Alice,” Hanna says, “I found myself connecting with her wit, her quirky perspectives on life, and her ironic reflections on the writer’s craft.” Hanna also dabbles in art. He constructed abstract sculptures of metal, stone, and wood and placed them in the spacious backyard adjacent to his house. “One day,” he recalls, “my dog was out exploring an area near a metal sculpture, sniffing for a spot on which to contort his body into the question-mark posture. Noticing that, I asked myself: ‘What’s my best friend thinking? Could he be asking me: *Are you a better artist with words?*’ ”

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