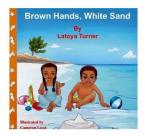


### Travel the world through books and adventures with your little Brown Hands!

#### **Our Mission**

Brown Hands is committed to empowering children to travel the world and learn about HBCUs through children's books featuring African American characters and literacy events. We celebrate diversity and encourage kids to build a love for literacy. We teach Black and Brown children that with their little Brown Hands, they can impact the world in positive ways. You are never too young to learn about HBCUs.









# About the Author Latoya Turner



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Latoya Turner is a mother of a toddler boy, a Leading Men Fellowship Coaching Specialist for The Literacy Lab, and the owner of Brown Hands. She is originally from Detroit, MI but now resides in Cincinnati, OH. Her late father took her family on vacation every year as a kid. Family vacations that included the beach were her favorite! Going on different adventures and exposure to the world was memorable and planted a seed for Latoya that is still sprouting.

Latoya has a bachelor's degree from an HBCU, Central State University in Early Childhood Education. She also has a master's degree from Central Michigan University in Reading and Literacy. Latoya taught for 13 years as a classroom teacher, teaching grades K- 2nd. Latoya has won many awards for her passion for teaching. She now coaches young African American men between the ages of 18-23 who are placed in pre-K classrooms in order to close the literacy gap and for representation.

After reading many children's books to her students and sharing stories about her vacations and HBCU experience, Latoya became inspired to write books featuring African American characters. In 2020, Latoya self-published her first children's book Brown Hands, White Sand, and started Brown Hands. In 2021, Latoya published her second children's book Brown Hands, Black Schools HBCUs. She also has Brown Hands custom products, such as hats, passport holders, beach towels, and t- shirts.

Latoya has been featured in the local news for her community work, uplifting children's books, and exposing children to more than just the curriculum. For Latoya, it is more than just being an author. The question she asks herself often is, "How will I plant memorable seeds for children while exposing them to the world?" Latoya has hosted several successful HBCU Literacy events and plans to host more.



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# We are a 2022 Black Empowering Works Grantee

Awarded to host community-wide literacy events in African American communities to educate kids at an early age about historically black colleges and universities, using Black children's books, members of the Divine Nine, local authors, fun-filled HBCU activities and hands-on literacy interventions.





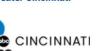
United Way of Greater Cincinnati's Black Empowerment Works, an innovative equityfocused grant program, promotes Black self-determination, social mobility and economic prosperity by resourcing and funding grassroots-generated, Black-led work.

#### **Brown Hands Features**

#### In Partnership With





















## **Our Products**



Publication Date: May 2020 Paperback ISBN:978-0578677033

Aria and her brother Walter went on an adventure to visit an HBCU for homecoming. Aria shares their experience with her classmates while also being inspired by her teacher to attend an HBCU.

Retail: \$13.99 Wholesale: \$9.99 (10 minimum) Currently no hardcover avalible



Brown Hands, White Sand Bucket Hat for children and adults.

100% cotton

Retail: \$30.00(Adults)
Wholesale: \$20.00(Adults)
Retail: \$25.00 (Kids)
Wholesale: \$15.00 (Kids)
(10 minimum)



Publication Date: July 2021 Paperback ISBN: 978-0578923116 Hardcover ISBN: 979-8-218-08347-2

Aria and her family traveled to another country for their first family vacation. Aria and her brother were so thrilled to feel the white sand with their little brown hands. A vacation to the beach with your family can open your world to many new possibilities!

Retail: \$13.99 (paperback) Wholesale: \$9.99 (paperback) Retail: \$20.00 (hardcover) Wholesale: \$ 15.00 (hardcover) (10 minimum)

Brown Hands, Black Schools bucket hats for children and adults.

HBCUs

Plush, 100% Wool

Retail: \$30.00(Adults)
Wholesale: \$20.00(Adults)
Retail: \$25.00 (Kids)
Wholesale: \$15.00 (Kids)
(10 minimum)



Brown Hands, White Sand Beach Towel 100% Cotton

33\*58 inches

Retail: \$25.00 Wholesale: \$17.00 (10 minimum)



Brown Hands Passport Holder

PU leather, Polyester

Retail: \$15.00 Wholesale: \$10.00 (10 minimum)



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All products are available on our website www.brownhandsllc.com

Books are also available on Amazon.

#### Reviews



"I really like how the author captured the images of our beloved alma mater, Central State University in Wilberforce Oh. This HBCU has such a rich tradition and it is wonderful to see a children's book encouraging the HBCU experience."

"This book gives your children the opportunity to imagine and explore the islands right from inside their home. The illustrations are so bright and vivid, you can almost feel the sand between your feet while reading."









## THANK YOU!

Please check out our website for news clips, interviews, and much more!

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## **Check out our nonprofit!**



Brown Hands Literacy is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization whose mission is to educate Black and Brown children and families about HBCUs in inner city neighborhoods while also building a love for reading through Black children's books. We host HBCU literacy events and close financial gaps for students who will be attending HBCUs and students who are enrolled in HBCUs.