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Pretty, Damned, Handsome: An Exploration of Existence Through the lens of Afriflora

Afriflora is a school of thought that provides a theoretical framework of approaches that offer culturally cognizant craft language to adequately articulate the emotions and experiences of the Black body. This language creates pathways by which the perceptions and perspectives of the Black body can be seen through accurate lenses of flora and fauna. As language, imagery, and exposure drive human interactions and considerations, the necessity for counter language to support the truth of counternarratives is evident. Afriflora calls on and constellates the praxis, rituals, and beliefs of the African diaspora as it encompasses Afro-Latin, Afro-Caribbean, and Afro-American traditions. It is through these lenses that I share a triangulated truth of myself with me, and the rest of the world at large.

Event Information

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Location Evans 212

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