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Photo Essay

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NMR is a shared space among academics, artists, and activists to highlight and discuss their work. The artist-in-residence is chosen each year to share their work with the journal's readership. Their work will be featured both in the print journal and on the website.

The North Meridian Review's 2022 artist-in-residence is Iridessence!

Iridessence /Essence Walker is a model, self-portrait, and performance artist based in New Orleans, Louisiana. Her work often features vintage, theatrical, and historical themes and marries them to radical self-love in a socio-political scape that marginalizes people of size and color.

I dreamed I was



HAT BY JOHN FREDERICK

WANTED

in my Maidenform bra

Name: Star Flower*

Reward: Just wearing it!

Distinguishing characteristics: Circular stitched cups in pretty petal pattern. Twin elastic bands beneath cups. Upper bands adjust to make bra fit like custom-made. Lower bands make bra breathe with wearer.

Physical description: White broadcloth. A, B, C cups. 2.50.

Last seen: In stores everywhere. Looking *ravishing*.

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