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## Medea: Women Like You

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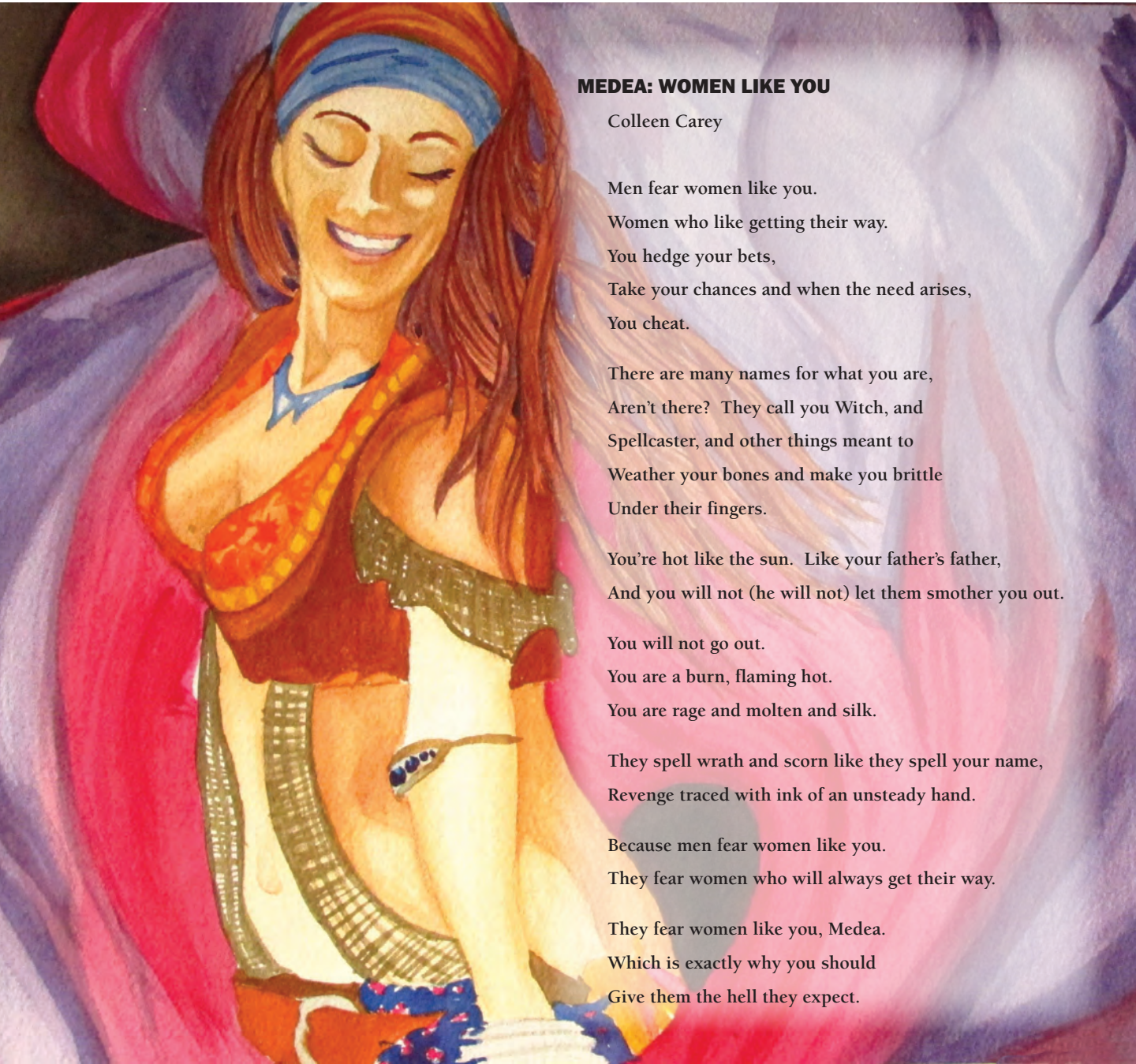
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Men fear women like you.  
Women who like getting their way.  
You hedge your bets,  
Take your chances and when the need arises,  
You cheat.

There are many names for what you are,  
Aren't there? They call you Witch, and  
Spellcaster, and other things meant to  
Weather your bones and make you brittle  
Under their fingers.

You're hot like the sun. Like your father's father,  
And you will not (he will not) let them smother you out.

You will not go out.  
You are a burn, flaming hot.  
You are rage and molten and silk.

They spell wrath and scorn like they spell your name,  
Revenge traced with ink of an unsteady hand.

Because men fear women like you.  
They fear women who will always get their way.

They fear women like you, Medea.  
Which is exactly why you should  
Give them the hell they expect.

**THE BELLY DANCER** JoJo Rock