

PROFILES FROM THE ARKANSAS LITERARY FESTIVAL

60-second promotional radio spot on NPR station KUAR, Little Rock

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Script:

What do you do when mental illness threatens to crush your dreams and derail your life plans? Author Esme Wang knows from personal experience.

She writes about her journey through serious mental illness in her new book, *The Collected Schizophrenias*. Wang struggled through frightening bouts of illness, psychosis, and hospitalization before finally being diagnosed with schizoaffective disorder. But she refuses to allow her illness to change her life goals. Instead, she shares with others what she has learned about how to live a creative and ambitious life, no matter your circumstances.

Esme Wang will discuss her bestselling memoir on mental illness and her inspirational website at this year's [Arkansas Literary Festival](#), April 25th through 28th.

Learn more about Wang and festival events as arkansasliteraryfestival.org

For Profiles from the Arkansas Literary Festival, I'm Rosslyn Elliott.

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