

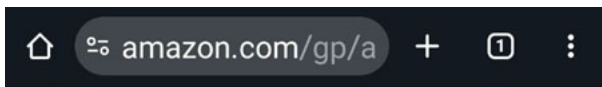
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Screenshot. Review of "[Wild Wise Weird](#)" by Michele [1]. Reviewed in the United States on November 15, 2024.

Each story is a vibrant mix of the ordinary and the absurd, with sharp insights into human nature and society. The humor is universal, yet the cultural nuances provide a unique and enriching perspective, making this book a gem for international readers. Whether you're familiar with Vietnamese culture or encountering it for the first time, these stories resonate on a deeply human level.

The collection's roots in the *Khoang Lang* column are evident in its sharp wit and concise storytelling, but the new additions written in 2023-2024 add fresh depth and breadth. The book is a perfect balance of joy and reflection, offering laughs while inviting readers to think

critically about life's deeper values.

I wholeheartedly recommend *[Wild Wise Weird](#)* to anyone looking for a book that is equal parts entertaining, insightful, and culturally rich. This is a must-read for fans of short stories, satire, and international literature. Bravo to Vuong Quan Hoang for bringing Kingfisher's world to life!

(*) Note: This column reprints Michele's review [1] appearing on the Amazon page of the title [2], with some light edits for clarity and fitting our house style.

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