

Dear (insert agent name),

Julia Jung just can't take it anymore.

As her millennial peers hit their strides in life, unlucky-at-life Julia has completely stalled out. She's ostracized at her fancy advertising agency for accidentally causing an office dog ban, gets dumped by her boyfriend via text message, and her status-obsessed parents have reached peak nag about both the LSAT (no, Dad, not taking it) and finding a proper Korean-American husband (preferably a doctor, naturally) before she becomes an old maid.

Overwhelmed by life's setbacks, Julia makes spontaneous move from New York City to Seattle to get a fresh start in a new city where she has zero baggage. She expects her new life to be a movie montage of falling in love—with her new city, new job, new lease on life. Instead, she gets the straight-to-cable version—an apartment near a crack park/dog park, zero friends (the Seattle Freeze is real) and a steady diet of applesauce and Costco ramen. Oh, and the worst job search known to man.

In this coming of age story that's one-half MASTER OF NONE and one-half BRIDGET JONES, Julia learns how to navigate adulthood and comes to terms with her dysfunctional family, her weird love life and her own self-sabotage. MY NAME IS NOT JULIE is humorous women's fiction complete at 76,000 words.

I am a Korean-American comedienne who has appeared on BET, which is the funniest thing in my comedy career because, well, I am not black. I graduated from Columbia University and received an MBA Degree from UCLA.

I would love to give readers around the world a glimpse of what it's like to be a second-generation Asian-American. As per your instructions, I'm including my full manuscript for your review.

Thank you for your consideration.

Contemporary Fiction Author Suzanne Park and A Thousand Rejections

Contemporary Fiction Author Suzanne Park joins Queries, Qualms, & Quirks this week to discuss going to acquisitions (multiple times) without getting a book deal, repurposing life stories for fiction, the impact writing for standup has on her novels, the lack of a linear path after Pitch Wars, and amassing a thousand rejections.

Suzanne Park is a Korean-American author who was born and raised in Tennessee. In her former life as a stand up comedian, Suzanne appeared on BET, was the winner of the Seattle

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