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STONE THE MOVEMAKER



Stone The MoveMaker is a street hustler from Chicago's Southside, who has found his calling as an artist and designer in Mainframe Studios in downtown Des Moines. His mission is to help others turn their struggles into their strengths. In the same way, he has turned his street knowledge and experience selling cocaine into an innovative brand called "Designed by the Streets."

SHUANG NOZOMI FLYR

Shuang Nozomi Flyr was born in Shanghai and grew up partly in China and partly in Japan. After experiencing the chaos of the COVID-19 pandemic, she moved to Iowa with her husband and daughter two years ago. Today, she works as a relationship banker with Bank of America. Shuang Nozomi believes in the power of storytelling. For her, stories bring people together, heal our wounds, and help us build communities. She believes we are all storytellers by nature. Everyone has a story worth telling, because to be alive is to have a story to share.

"Amidst the chaos of COVID-19, a couple's planned visit turned into a two-year journey through lockdowns and unexpected turns, as if they were trapped in a cage. In Cambodia, an unplanned pregnancy added new challenges, but they discovered the key to unlocking their resilience and finding joy amidst adversity. Finally, they welcomed their daughter, a symbol of freedom and newfound strength. This is a story of hope and liberation from the confines of life's challenges."



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