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Outstanding Book Author

Sasha Cagen

The American Association for Single People is pleased to present this award for Outstanding Book Authorship to Sasha Cagen of San Francisco, California.

Sasha Cagen is a heroine for solo singles everywhere, a champion for the individual, and an advocate for self-realization.

She wrote an essay – People Like Us: The Quirkyalones – for To-Do List Magazine in 2000. The essay was about Sasha, and a significant five percent or so of the population who like being single, who are not determined to be half of a couple, and who probably will never marry.

After shining a spotlight on this community of solo singles, Sasha wrote a book on the same topic. The book – Quirkyalones: A Manifesto for Uncompromising Romantics – is now in its second printing. The book defines quirkyalone as "A person who enjoys being single (but is not opposed to being in a relationship) and generally prefers to be alone rather than date for the sake of being in a couple. With unique traits and an optimistic spirit; a sensibility that transcends relationship status."

Newspapers and magazines throughout the nation have written stories about Sasha, the Quirkyalone Movement she has started, and have given good reviews to her book.

Sasha Cagen is an outstanding book author who has done a great educational service by showing that solo and satisfied singles are an important part of American society, indeed a significant part of the international community.

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