

“Who says it’s never as good as the first time? Eddie S. Pierce’s sophomore effort, *Love: From Behind*, is sort of a semi-sequel: while his impressive debut, *Love: Something Infinite*, introduced Black SGL Everyman Seron and explored his blooming relationship with Rodney, this time a member of their extended family, Lee, takes center stage. The action jumps between Lee’s years as a UNLV college student and introduction to gay social life, and his present-day raging sexual appetite—which is fueled by both the heartbreak of falling hard for his frat brother and first love(r), J, and a secret longing for the recently engaged Seron. In connecting the dots between Lee’s past and present, Pierce paints an engrossing portrait of a young man coming to terms with familial trauma, embracing his bisexuality, and no longer allowing fear to shake his faith in himself and others. And the erotic elements—and there are quite a few, including a brief but juicy sexcapade called “Hearts & Spades”—are *lit*. *Love: From Behind* is a novella, so it’s more of an appetizer than an entire meal. But it is still oh so tasty, an unexpected though welcome detour in the series. Bring on installment three, *Love: After Sex*, please!”



- New York Times and Amazon Bestselling Author of *the B-Boy Blues* series, James Earl Hardy