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Give way! There is an exciting literary revolution happening in Kenya. From Kwani? to Storymoja Hay Festival to Okwiri Oduor winning the prestigious Caine Prize, it is real. Another evidence? The talented Ndiritu Wahome.

His magical realism book, *The Sad Artist and other Fairytales*, is a clear testimony of this. Ndiritu will be one of the facilitators at the upcoming Storymoja Hay Festival, a now popular annual event that brings together great literally minds.

This year's event will be graced by Nobel Laureate Professor Wole Soyinka among other literary giants.

That aside, this new promising author, whose book scintillates with simplicity and wisdom will hold three sessions, including on Sunday September 21 when he officially launches the book.

The book is a testament to Kenyan youths' creative talent, with Ndiritu soberly weaving a magic spell on the day-to-day life of ordinary Kenyans.

In the *The Sad Artist and other Fairytales*, Wahome spellbinds with the tale of the 'Artist' who communicates with Kitty, a Songbird, and even the soft green grass and the black ant. The book, which the author hopes will entertain children as well as adults is a breath of fresh air as Kenyans are used to fairy tales from far-off lands whose cultural backgrounds do not resonate with ours.

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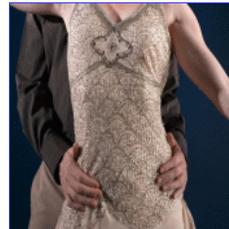
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▶ His publisher, Catherine Rayburn of Word Branch publishing, USA says this about the book: "Ndiritu captures the innocence of the world through a child's eyes to make strong statements about the modern condition." Born in Nyeri in 1987, the

author started writing at the age of 13.

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He has published a volume of poetry, *The Voice from a Young Man under the Burning African Sun*. For *The Sad Artist and Other Fairy Tales*, he says he was inspired by love, poverty, pain and beauty and real life experiences that informed the title.

He has a manuscript ready for the publisher, a novella for young adults, *Nana and the Boy with Two Shadows* and also is writing, yes, a horror titled, *The Girl with the Flawless Face and Other Horror Stories*, for adults. Ndiritu is definitely an author to watch!

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