

About Brandi...



Brandi Douglas
started with a song.



I've always been fascinated by the story behind *Brandy (You're a Fine Girl)* by Looking Glass.

The song tells us about a woman named Brandy who falls in love with a sailor, only to discover that his heart belongs to the sea.



Fair enough.
But I had a question.

*What
about her?*



The song told me about his decision, but I found myself wondering about the woman he left behind.

What happened next?

Apparently, my imagination wasn't satisfied with where the song ended.

That question became the inspiration for a character of my own.



I changed the spelling of her name from Brandy to **Brandi** and began creating an entirely different story around her.



The sailor in the song inspired my character named **Ryan**, a young man determined to join the Navy.



The bar she worked at became *Gilligan's Island Bar & Grill* in Norfolk, Virginia.



And Brandi?

*She kept becoming
someone entirely her own.*



One question led to another.

One character became a **family**, then **friends**, **relationships**, **places**, **adventures**, and eventually an **entire fictional world** I never could have imagined when I started.



All because one day I listened to a song and wondered:

*Whatever happened
to the girl in the song?*



*Apparently, in my imagination,
she had quite a story left to tell.*



— Jamie Lynne Albin