



## THE CALICO BUFFALO “Elevator Pitch”

The firstborn son of the buffalo queen arrives marked like a calico kitten. Calico colors call out to the wolves. They're forbidden, banished by law. Desperate, the parents disguise him, smearing on ruddy-brown clay. Thorn, a rival bull watches. He sees his chance for the throne. On the day the calf is presented, as he marches alongside a brook, Thorn trips him into the water. He's washed clean for everyone to see.

A trial is called. Thorn makes his case. But, no decision is reached. They must march to find the Angk-Sha, the mythical mother of all. Only she will know the answer. The journey is treacherous. All seems lost until the Angk-Sha comes thundering in. Shockwaves flow as the sunrise reveals the Angk-Sha's broad, CALICO face. The Angk-Sha delivers her message, “Each child is perfect as is.” Hearts are opened, sins forgiven. The herd, filled with love, marches home.