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My dear Myla.

Such a pleasure to read AcrossThe Great Divide! Rest assured each character is richly and uniquely defined. It's a loving and celebratory chronicle of several amazing women of their time. Granted there is no major conflict that you have dramatized save their individual stories of struggle to get to their destination, but I found myself moved by each woman's story of courage, determination, and resiliency. It's a powerful legacy for today and a beacon to show how women have led the way to change and growth. What a challenge for a director too. All the elements of costumes, music, lights, staging, and casting need to be masterful so that the sheer theatricality of these elements raises the production to a gorgeous level! With an adequate budget I'd love to get my hands on this material myself! It speaks to today just because of its nuanced authenticity to its own time period. And I mustn't forget to praise your language. Easy and accessible but literate (as always with your writing) and colorful as well.

Myla, you have all these hidden treasures that you've created. I'm so glad you had a couple of productions of this one to remember!

All my love,  
Apollo

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