

Curriculum Vitae

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Writer, Performer, Educator

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Education

University of Virginia
Master of Fine Arts, Poetry
Henry Hoyns Fellow

Florida State University
Bachelor of Arts, Creative Writing
Magna Cum Laude

Recent Employment

Present	Poets & Writers Creative writing instructor, senior citizens
2/2009-present	Bronx Academy of Letters Writer in Residence
12/2004-present	The Juilliard School Poetry Lecturer
4/2005-12/2007	Children's Aid Society Youth Development Program Director

Publications

TBA	YA Novel: <i>Seventeen Seasons</i> G.P Putnam & Sons—Penguin Books
2010	Picture Book: <i>Tribute to Odetta, Queen of Folk</i> Scholastic Books
2008	Chapter Book: <i>Everybody Hates School Presentations</i> Simon Spotlight—Simon & Schuster

Teaching, Internships & Residencies

- Fall 2005 Satellite Academy High School
Poetry Instructor
- Fall 2005 Medgar Evers College
Poetry Instructor
- Spring 2005 Poets & Writers Inc.
Creative Writing Instructor for Senior Citizens
- Spring 2005 Harlem Children's Zone
Poet in Residence, TRUCE After School Program
- 2003-2004 University of Virginia, Charlottesville, VA
Poetry Instructor—Undergraduate Level Poetry
- 2001 UCLA Center for African American Studies
Interdisciplinary Summer Research Internship

Awards & Honors

Squaw Valley Community of Writers Scholarship
One week writing residency

Jerome Foundation Travel Grant
Three month grant

Hedgebrook Retreat for Women Writers
Six week writing residency

Soul Mountain Writing Fellowship
Eight week writing residency

Archie D. & Berth H Walker Scholarship
Fine Arts Work Center in Provincetown

Henry Hoyns Writing Fellowship
University of Virginia

Mart P. Hill Honors Thesis Award
Florida State University

Cody Harris Poetry Award
Florida State University

Readings, Lectures, & Panels

- Spring 10 Featured poet at College of Staten Island
New York
- Spring 10 Panelist for “Rewriting America” at AWP Conference
Denver, CO
- Spring 10 Guest poet at Schomburg Library
Harlem, NY
- Fall 09 Guest poet at Rikers Island Jail
New York
- Sum 09 Headliner at Celebrate Brooklyn @ Prospect Park Bandshell
Brooklyn, NY
- Fall 08 Featured poet at Kentucky Women’s Writers Conference
Lexington, KY
- Spr 08 Featured poet at Jackson Heights Poetry Festival
Queens, NY
- Spr 08 Featured poet at PACE Center for Girls
Tallahassee, FL
- Fall 07 Featured poet at Arts Alive Festival
Johannesburg, South Africa
- Fall 07 Featured poet at St. John’s College
Johannesburg, South Africa
- Fall 07 Featured poet at Brooklyn Museum
Brooklyn, NY
- Fall 07 Featured poet at Nuyorican Poets Café
New York City
- Spr 07 Featured poet at Bausch & Lomb
Rochester, NY
- Fall 05 Guest poet at Guilford College

Greensboro, NC

- Spr 05 Featured poet at James Madison University
Furious Flower Poetry Center: Harrisonburg, VA
- Spr 05 Featured poet at Teatism
Washington DC
- Spr 05 Featured poet at Bar 13
New York City

- Winter 05 Featured poet at South Carolina Book Festival
Columbia, SC
- Winter 05 Featured poet at the Yale Club
New York City
- Winter 05 Featured poet at Magic Johnson's Starbucks
Atlanta, GA
- Winter 05 Featured poet at Florida Gulf Coast University
Fort Pierce, FL
- Fall 2004 Keynote Speaker at Rhode Island College
Providence, RI
- Fall 2004 Distinguished panelist: Chicago State University
Gwendolyn Brooks Writer's Conference
Chicago, IL
- Fall 2004 Guest poet at Touchstone Home for Displaced Girls
Connecticut

- Summer 04 Featured poet at Norfolk Academy
Norfolk, VA
- Summer 04 Featured poet at Hard Rock Cafe
New Orleans, LA
- Spring 2004 Featured poet at Modern Times Bookstore
San Francisco, CA
- Spring 2004 Featured poet at Alexander Books
San Francisco, CA
- Spring 2004 Featured poet at Hard Rock Cafe
Phoenix, AZ
- Spring 2004 Featured poet at Carter G. Woodson High School
Memphis, TN

- Winter 2003 Featured poet at Darden Business School
University of Virginia, Charlottesville

- Winter 2003 Featured poet at the 6th annual Austin Writers' League
Austin, TX
- Winter 2003 Featured poet and judge at DC Scores Annual Youth Poetry Slam
Galludet University, Washington DC
- Fall 2003 Featured poet at College of Charleston
Charleston, SC
- Fall 2003 Featured poet at Virginia Union College
Richmond, VA
- Fall 2003 Guest Speaker & Distinguished Panelist with Kevin Powell
University of Virginia, Charlottesville
- Spring 2003 Featured poet at Duke University Poetry Series
Durham, NC
- Spring 2003 Featured poet at Savannah School of Art & Design
Savannah, GA

Recent/Forthcoming Publications

Poetry in Literary Magazines:

Spaces Between Us HIV/ AIDS Anthology, Faultline, Two Review, Squaw Valley Review, African American Review, Louisville Review, Poets & Artists, Indiana Review, Crab Orchard Review, Rhapsodia, Re)verb Magazine, Gathering Ground, Cave Canem Anthology.

Articles/Reviews

Article: The Juilliard Journal
"An Affair to Remember"

Feature: Black Issues Book Review
Tupac Shakur

Article: Black Issues Book Review
"The Rise of the Celebrity Poet."

Feature: Black Issues Book Review
"Soul Mountain Writing Retreat"

Review: Black Issues Book Review

Alicia Keys' Tears For Water

Review: Meridian Magazine
Kyle Dargan's The Listening

Review: Black Issues Book Review
Saul Williams' ,said the shotgun to the head

Bibliography

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| 2008 | KET's Connections with Renee Shaw
Television Interview |
| 2008 | Squarerootz.net
Feature Story |
| 2007 | South Africa's Headrush Talk Show
Television Interview |
| | South Africa's Weekend Live Morning Show
Television Interview |
| | South Africa's Talk 3 Live Talk Show
Television Interview |
| 2003 | Spokenvizations Magazine
Cover Story |

Editing and Professional Writing

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| 2003-2004 | Meridian Literary Magazine
Managing Editor |
| 2003-2006 | ZoneNet.com
Freelance writer, monthly newsletters |
| 2002-2006 | Triolgy Inc.
Freelance Writer, monthly newsletters |