

Curriculum Vitae

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EDUCATION

Queens University of Charlotte: MFA in Poetry, May 2012.
 Rutgers University: BA in Psychology; Certificate in Industrial Education, May 1986.

PUBLICATIONS

Poetry Books: *After the Fairy Tale* (Main Street Rag Press, 2007); *Praying at Coffee Shops* (Main Street Rag Press, 2008); *Weary Blues* (Big Table Publishing, 2010); *Scar Girl* (Finishing Line Press, 2011); *Eulogy for an Imperfect Man* (Brick Road Poetry Press, 2012); *The Year of Dead Fathers* (Spring Garden Press, 2012).

Poems have also appeared in over one hundred literary journals, including *Calyx*, *Roanoke Review*, *Upstreet*, *Feminist Studies*, *13th Moon*, *European Judaism*, and *Cairn*.

Fiction Books: *The Slow Vanishing* (Main Street Rag Press/Mint Hill Books, 2009).

Stories have appeared in many journals, including *The North Carolina Literary Review*, *Southeast Review*, *Carolina Woman*, *moonShine Review*, and *Puffin Circus*.

Anthology Editor, *Best of the Royal Bean* (Main Street Rag Press, 2011).

Essays have appeared in *Byline Magazine*, *Alehouse Review*, and in the book *Easy to Love, Hard to Raise*.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Poet-in-Residence, Broughton High School, Raleigh, NC. April/May, 2011. Using images from art and photographs to inspire poetry.

Lecturer, First RCCC Literary Festival. Roanoke Chowan Community College, Concord, NC. March, 2011. "In a Flash" Lecture/workshop in flash fiction.

Lecturer, Wilson Community College, Wilson, NC. February, 2011. "My Path to Becoming a Writer." Also judged the school's literary journal writing contest.

Lecturer, Richland Two School District Literary and Arts Festival, Columbia, SC. January, 2011. Taught two poetry craft classes to high school students.

Instructor, CAHEC/North Carolina Writers' Network, various CAHEC facilities in NC. June/July, 2010. Hired by the North Carolina Writers' Network to teach writing to low-income senior citizens.

Speaker, Carolina Writers Conference, Wadesboro, NC. April, 2010. Lectured on becoming a poet and the path to publication.

Lecturer, Central Carolina Community College, Pittsboro, NC. April, 2010. Taught a class on the business side of publishing.

Presenter, North Carolina Poetry Society, Weymouth Center, Southern Pines, NC. January, 2009. Presented a workshop on the business side of submitting work and publishing. Gave a featured poetry reading.

Instructor, Wake County Adult Education Program, summer, 2009. Taught classes on poetry and publishing at Millbrook High School to adults in the community.

Teacher, Jewish Family Services/The Blumenthal Foundation Grant, Raleigh, NC. Taught writing classes to small groups of senior citizens. Topic: using memory lists to inspire writing.

FEATURED AWARDS AND HONORS

Robert Watson Poetry Award Winner, Spring Garden Press, 2011; Randall Jarrell Poetry Award, Honorable Mention, North Carolina Writers' Network, 2011; Pushcart Prize Nominee, nominated by editors of *Puffin Circus* for a short story, Issue Two, 2010; Next Generation Indie Book Award Winner, Poetry Category for *Praying at Coffee Shops*, 2010; Third Annual Nâzim Hikmet Poetry Competition Winner, 2011; Charlotte Writers' Club, Deane Ritch Lomax Poetry Prize, 1st and 2nd prize, 2011 (also won 1st prize in 2005); Hart Crane Memorial Contest Winner, Kent State University, Ohio, 2007; Best Short-Short Story Contest, Finalist, *Southeast Review*, Florida, 2007; *The Lyricist* Statewide Poetry Contest, Winner, Campbell University, NC, 2007; William Faulkner-William Wisdom Creative Writing Contest, Runner-up for short story category, Words & Music, New Orleans, Louisiana, 2007; Doris Betts Fiction Award, Finalist, North Carolina Writers' Network, NC, 2007; *Carolina Woman* Writing Contest, First Place for short story, North Carolina, 2004.

COMMUNITY WORK/CONTEST JUDGE

“Open Mic” Leader, Raleigh, NC 2007- present
Created and hosted a monthly “open mic” event in the Raleigh community for creative writers. Also arranged featured readers and promoted the event.

Contest Judge, Raleigh Fine Arts Literary Contest, preliminary judge for Wake County high school fiction contest, 2010-present.

Contest Judge, Wilson Community College, Wilson, NC. March, 2011. Judged the fiction, poetry, and art contest for the college's literary journal.

Contest Judge, South Carolina Writers' Workshop Conference, Myrtle Beach, SC. September, 2011. Judged the conference's poetry contest.

Contest Judge, Alamance County, NC. November, 2011. Judged fiction and poetry entries from writers in the community.

Planning Committee Member, Temple Beth Or, Raleigh, NC. November, 2004, WordFeast: Readings by Triangle Jewish Writers. Helped plan the festival.

FEATURED READINGS

Association of Writers & Writing Programs off-site reading, Washington, D.C. February, 2011. Medaterra. *Upstreet Literary Journal* Reading.

National Public Radio, *The State of Things*, 2010, 2004. Talked about being a Jewish poet in the South. Also read selections from *Praying at Coffee Shops*. Discussed WordFeast Festival.

Block Gallery, Raleigh, NC. April, 2010. Featured reader, opening art reception for Home/Journeys show.

Carrboro Book Beat, radio program, Carrboro, NC. 2010. Discussed my books.

Gaston County Public Library, Gaston, NC. July, 2010. Speaker/reader. Topic: Writing and publishing short fiction. Co-taught with Anne Barnhill.

North Carolina Literary Festival, Chapel Hill, NC. September, 2009. As a featured poet, read with Dorianne Laux. Topic: Dark Charms, Super Heroes and Fairy Tales.

McIntyre's Fine Books, Pittsboro, NC. Readings for the North Carolina Poetry Society, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011.

National Public Radio, *Your Day*, Clemson University, Clemson, SC. 2006. Read award-winning story from the Piccolo Spoleto Fiction Open.

Piccolo Spoleto Fiction Open, City Gallery, Charleston, SC. June, 2005. Reading.

MEMBERSHIPS

Association of Writers & Writing Programs
Global South Group
Modern Language Association
North Carolina Poetry Society
North Carolina Writers' Network
South Carolina Writers' Workshop