

ROMAINE WASHINGTON

## **POETRY BOOKS**

PURGATORY HAS AN ADDRESS. California: Bamboo Dart Press. 2021

Nominated for a Pushcart Prize

Longlisted for a Perennial Chapbook Award

SIRENS IN HER BELLY. California: Jamii Publishing. 2015

## **EDITOR**

THESE BLACK BODIES ARE... A BLACKLANDIA ANTHOLOGY. Inlandia Publishing. 2023

CHOLLA NEEDLES #88. Cholla Needles Art & Literary Library. 2024

## **FELLOWSHIPS**

TWH GRADUATE FELLOW OF THE WATERING HOLE SANTEE, SC.

IAWP INLAND AREA WRITING PROJECT FELLOW. UCR

## **EDUCATION**

Azusa Pacific University – M.A. Education.

California State University San Bernardino -- B.A. French

## **EDUCATOR**

CALIFORNIA TEACHING CREDENTIAL ENGLISH & FRENCH

PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS

## **POETRY OUT LOUD COORDINATOR**

ARTS CONNECTION: SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY, 2023-2024

## **WORKSHOP FACILITATOR**

INLANDIA CREATIVE WRITING Fall 2018 – Present

GENERATIVE WRITING WORKSHOP 5-WEEK SESSIONS

## **CONFERENCES & PRESENTATIONS**

### **CONVERSATIONS AT THE CULVER**

AAVE'S INFLUENCE ON CULTURE THROUGH WRITING JAMES COATES IN

CONVERSATION WITH BRIDGETTE BIANCA AND ROMAINE WASHINGTON

HOW TO DO JUSTICE TO DIVERSITY IN FICTION: "JOURNEY TO MERVEILLEUX CITY,"

WITH AUTHOR STEPHANIE BARBÉ HAMMER AND ROMAINE WASHINGTON AND

ON ZOOM. JUNE 27, AT 7:00 PM.

### **SMOL FAIR EVENTS READING & PANEL DISCUSSION:**

SAY YES TO THE SMALL PRESS: 2022.  
SMALL TOWNS ARE WHERE CRAZY SH\*\* HAPPENS: 2022.  
**ASSOCIATION OF WRITERS & WRITING PROGRAMS (AWP)**  
READING & PANEL DISCUSSION:  
CONCISE PUNCHES OF REALITY:  
READINGS FROM FIVE CHAPBOOK MEMOIRS: 2022.  
PANEL DISCUSSION: RE-DEFINING A WRITER'S SUCCESS. 2018.  
**MT. SAN ANTONIO COLLEGE: CULTURAMA.** Nov. 2021  
WORKSHOP: WRITING WITH A FULL PALETTE  
**LONG BEACH LITERARY ARTS CENTER**  
CHAPBOOK: PANEL TALK AND READING. July 2021  
**CERRITOS COLLEGE ENGLISH DEPARTMENT**  
PANEL DISCUSSION. I AM SPEAKING: AMPLIFYING WOMEN'S VOICES. 2021.  
Women Speaking at Work: Using English and Creative Writing Skills in  
the Workplace.  
**CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF TEACHERS OF ENGLISH.**  
BOOK PRESENTATION: UNITS FOR *Sirens in Her Belly*. February 2017.

## **CURATOR/ INTERVIEWER**

### **INLANDIA/BLACKLANDIA COMMUNITY PROGRAM**

BLACK HISTORY READING & PANEL DISCUSSION: FEB. 2022.

The Language of Healing-The Poetry of Hope. Moderator

ARTIST TALK: JUNE 2021. MODERATOR

Charles Bibbs and Richard Allen May II.

MENTAL HEALTH: Miss Phyllis Y. Clark, Founder, CEO and April Gillis,  
Project Coordinator for Healthy Heritage Movement, MAY 2021.

## **MEDIA PRESENTATIONS**

JEM Writers on Writing Apple Podcast. Feb. 29, 2024.

KQBH LA "The Collective." Host: Gina Duran. Feb. 26, 2022

CBS2 Inside SoCal, Feb. 6, 2022

JEM FB Video Podcast. Jan. 26, 2022

KPFK (Pacifica) Safe Harbor Host DJ Junor Francis. July, 19 2016.

## **PUBLICATIONS ARTICLES & ESSAYS**

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA NEWS GROUP: Inlandia Literary Journeys

POETS & WRITERS online Writers Readings & Workshops Blog April 2019.

A Thriving Writing Workshop in San Bernardino.

## **PUBLICATIONS POETRY**

Boundless 2022: The Rio Grande Valley Intl. Poetry Festival Anthology. New  
Mexico. Flower Song Press, 2022

*Deciduous.* \*Nominated for a Pushcart Prize.

Cholla Needles 59, 39, 36, 32, 86 Cholla Needles Press. Joshua Tree, 2019 - 2024

Alta Dena Poetry Review. Altadena. 2021  
Gathering: A Women Who Submit Anthology Jamii Publishing, 2021  
Accolades: A Women Who Submit Anthology Jamii Publishing, 2019  
San Bernardino Singing Inlandia Institute, 2020  
“Inseparable,” **Nominated for Best of the Net**. Spirit Fire Review. Feb. 2018.

## POETRY READINGS

Pomona NCNW Event MLK Day. January 2024  
Roar Shack: Host David Rocklin. July 2023  
One Mic, One Globe. Poet Society. Curator and Host: Josh Evans  
Feb. 2022  
Segerstrom Center for the Arts. IG Live @segerstromarts  
Notes for Nina Birthday Tribute. Curator: Dr. Natalie Graham. Feb. 2022  
Segerstrom Center for the Arts Argyros Plaza. Costa Mesa Freedom in Full  
Bloom. Juneteenth Reading. Curator: Dr. Nathalie Graham. 2021.  
Altadena Arts Festival at Charles White Park. Oct. 2021  
Claremont Library: Fourth Sunday. 2021, 2017  
Rapp Saloon. Curator: Cynthia Alessandra Briano. Santa Monica.  
May 2021.  
Artswalk. Riverside Public Library. Inlandia/Blacklandia. 2021, 2020, 2017.  
Cholla Needles. Curator: Rick Soos. Joshua Tree. 2020.  
A Garden of Verses. Rancho Santa Ana Botanic Garden. Claremont. April  
2021, 2019, 2018, 2017.  
Pasadena LitFest. Poets & Allies Curator: Khadija Anderson. May 2018.  
PoetrIE Presents: Sin Filtro Workshop, Reading & Conversation. Curator:  
Isabella Quintero. San Bernardino. 2018  
Art Share L.A. *un::fade::able Sandra Bland Reading*. Curator: F. Douglas  
Brown. Los Angeles, CA., 2017.  
Garcia Center for the Arts. Lady & the Blues: Art & Poetry from African American  
Women. Curator: Nikia Chaney.. San Bernardino, CA. Feb. 2017.  
New Hope Missionary Baptist Church. San Bernardino. CA. 2023, 2019

## WRITING ORGANIZATIONS

Association of Writers and Writing Programs (AWP) 2016 – Present  
Poets and Writers. 2016 - Present  
Women Who Submit 2019 - Present

## VOLUNTEER

Bridges that Carried Us Over Project 2021 - Current  
Poetry Out Loud Coach, San Bernardino 2021-2022  
Poetry Out Loud Judge San Bernardino, CA 2018 & 2020  
Poetry Out Loud Judge, Riverside, CA. 2017 – 2024.