

SUMMARY

Award-winning poet, editor, administrator, columnist, and instructor of English, literature, creative writing, composition, human development, and business writing with 10 published books, more than 1200 published poems and 500 published essays, articles, and reviews.

EMPLOYMENT

Poet **Present**
 Poems in journals such as *Georgia Review*, *North American Review*, *Beloit Poetry Journal*, *Kansas Quarterly*, *Chattahoochee Review*, *Poet & Critic*, *Crucible*, *Cimarron Review*, and *Southern Poetry Review*. More than 100 public readings of poetry, including Catawba College, Lenoir Rhyne University, St. Andrews College, Barton College, Coastal Carolina University, UNCC, RCCC, UNCG, and Novello. Ten collections of poetry published. Founder, Poetry Hickory and Art of Poetry. Editor *Wild Goose Poetry Review* and *234*. Vice President, NC Poetry Society. Chair, NCPS Poetry Day Committee. Regional Representative, NC Writers Network. Columnist, "Musings," *Outlook*. Awards from Academy of American Poets, Pushcart Prize Anthology, Next Generation / IndieLit Book Awards, NCWN, NCPS, Poetry Society of SC, *Pirene's Fountain*, FutureCyclePress

Instructor **2007-Present**
 CATAWBA VALLEY COMMUNITY COLLEGE
 2008 Visiting Writer. Instructor of composition, creative writing, literature, human development, and business writing. Poetry Editor of literary and arts journal. Facilitator of annual Poetry Day. Recipient of 2013 Excellence in Teaching Award.

Instructor/Admissions Director **2000-2005**
 HICKORY DAY SCHOOL HICKORY, NC
 Responsible for all aspects of grades 6-8 language arts and social studies instruction and curriculum development, recruitment, admissions, and marketing. Initiated and sponsored participation in Junior Beta Club, Battle of the Books, National Spelling Bee, National Word Power Competition, National Geography Bee, Language Arts League, and Alumni Association. Coached Basketball.

Headmaster **1995-2000**
 THE PATTERSON SCHOOL PATTERSON, NC
 Responsible for all aspects of instruction, curriculum development, physical plant management, recruiting, evaluation, finance, development, and student life. Initiated first Annual Fund, increased enrollment by 66%, increased donations by over 400%, increased senior SAT average by 200 points. Taught language arts, social studies, algebra, geometry, and study skills. Authored student handbook, faculty handbook, admissions and marketing materials, press releases, monthly newsletters, and grant proposals.

Instructor of English and Human Development **1994-1995**
 CALDWELL COMMUNITY COLLEGE & TECHNICAL INSTITUTE LENOIR, NC
 Outstanding Instructor Award

Instructor of English **1993-1994**
 ROWAN-CABARRUS COMMUNITY COLLEGE SALISBURY, NC
 Outstanding Instructor Award

Instructor of English **1992-1994**
 UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA AT GREENSBORO GREENSBORO, NC

EDUCATION

Master of Fine Arts **1994**
 UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA AT GREENSBORO GREENSBORO, NC
 Major: Creative Writing

Activities: Published *The Persistence of Faith* and over 150 poems in more than 60 journals. Delivered over 30 public readings of my own poetry. Associate Editor & Business manager of *Southern Poetry Review*. Blumenthal Reader. Academy of American Poets Award. Cumulative GPA 4.0

Master of Arts **1990**
UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA AT CHARLOTTE CHARLOTTE, NC

Major: English
Activities: Anne R. Newman Graduate Student Award. Ethel Katopodis Graduate Student Award. North Carolina Writers Network Poetry Prize. Intimate Bookshop Poet's Prize. Editor of *Genesis*. GPA 4.0

Bachelor of Arts **1984**
OHIO UNIVERSITY ATHENS, OH

Major: English with Teacher Certification
Activities: Graduated magna cum laude. GPA 3.6

REFERENCES

Dr. Ronald Moran, Professor Emeritus Clemson University

Dr. Kevin Rouse, Vice President of Accountability, Efficiency, and Effectiveness

Mr. Tim Peeler, Director Learning Assistance Center

OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS AND ACTIVITIES

Books

1995, *The Persistence of Faith* (poems), Sandstone
2008, *Deceptively Like a Sound* (poems), Dead Mule
2008, *The Fractured World* (poems), Main Street Rag
2009, *Book of Days* (poems), Dead Mule
2010, *Paternity* (poems), Main Street Rag
2010, *The Nature of Attraction* (poems with Pris Campbell), Main Street Rag
2011, *Something Knows the Moment* (poems), Main Street Rag
2012, *Country Roads: Travels Through Rural NC*, Collaboration with Photographer Clayton Joe Young
2012, *For One Who Knows How to Own Land*, Future Cycle Press
2012, *Shadows Trail Them Home* (poems with Pris Campbell), Clemson University Press
2013, *Eye of the Beholder* (forthcoming), Main Street Rag

Awards & Honors

2013 Excellence in Teaching Award, Catawba Valley Community College
2013 NC Poetry on the Bus Selection, "Of Ten Or More In a Room"
2013 Poetry of Love Award, 2nd Place, North Carolina Poetry Society
2013 Lyman Haiku Award, 2nd Place, North Carolina Poetry Society
2012 Pushcart Prize Nomination, "Long Yellow" from Voxpoetica
2012 NC Poet Laureate Nominee
2012 Finalist, 2012 Next Generation Indie Book Awards
2012 "Rails" featured on Garrison Keillor's *The Writers Almanac*
2012 Jane Moran Award, Poetry Society of South Carolina
2012 Mary Ruffin Poole Award, Honorable Mention, North Carolina Poetry Society
2012 Poetry of Courage Award, 3rd Place, North Carolina Poetry Society
2011 Pushcart Prize Nomination, "In the Cathedral of Fallen Trees" from Pirene's Fountain
2011 Pushcart Prize Nomination, "Fourth Autumn" from Innisfree Poetry Journal
2011 Runner-Up, Future Cycle Press Poetry Book Award, For One Who Knows How to Own Land
2011 Finalist, NC Poet Laureate Award, "13 Ways of Heaven on Earth"
2011 Featured Poet, Pirene's Fountain, <http://www.pirenesfountain.com/showcase/owens.html>
2010 Best of the Net Nomination, "Remembering Blue" from Flutter
2010 Best of the Net Nomination, "13 Ways of Angels" from Referential
2010 Best of the Net Nomination, "Night Crossing" from Redheaded Stepchild
2010 Best of the Net Nomination, "Relativity" from Tertulia
2010 Best of the Net Nomination, "11 Haiku /In a Narrative Sequence/ Designed to Insult" from Opium
2010 Best of the Net Nomination, "Con-Spic-U-Ous" from Opium
2010 Pushcart Prize Nomination, "Conjugal Rites" from Main Street Rag
2010 Pushcart Prize Nomination, "The Well-Balanced Plate: Poetry and Multi-Tasking" from NC Writers' Network

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2010 Pushcart Prize Nomination, "What the Box Held" from Redheaded Stepchild
2010 Pushcart Prize Nomination, "Relativity" from Tertulia
2010 Lyman Haiku Award, North Carolina Poetry Society
2009 Pushcart Prize Anthology Special Mention, "So Norman Died Of Course" from Main Street Rag
2009 Pushcart Prize Nomination, "On the Days I Am Not My Father" from Main Street Rag
2009 Pirene's Fountain Editor's Award Finalist, "13 Ways of Poetry"
2009 Gertrude Munzenmaier Award, Poetry Society of South Carolina
2009 Poetry of Courage Award, North Carolina Poetry Society
2008 "On the Days I Am Not My Father" featured on Garrison Keillor's *The Writers Almanac*
2008 Best of the Net Nomination, "Foundings" from Dead Mule
2008 Pushcart Prize Nomination, "Foundings" from Dead Mule

2008 Finalist, Violet Reed Haas Poetry Award
2008 Finalist, Gerald Cable Poetry Award
1997 Outstanding Instructor, The Patterson School
1996 Outstanding Instructor, The Patterson School
1995 Outstanding Instructor, Caldwell Community College
1994 Outstanding Instructor, Rowan-Cabarrus Community College
1994 Blumenthal Poet
1994 Institution Award, Academy of American Poets
1994 Finalist, Mary Bell Campbell Poetry Award
1993 North Carolina Writers Network Fall Conference Poetry Award
1992 Finalist, "Discovery"/*The Nation* Poetry Award
1991 Finalist, Martha Scott Trimble Poetry Award
1990 Runner-Up, Harperprints Poetry Award

Poetry Contests Judged

2012 Main Street Rag Book Competition
2012 Alexander Muse Poetry Competition
2012 Oscar Arnold Young Book Competition
2012 Aroma of Art Poetry Competition
2011 Linda Flowers Literary Award, NC Arts Council
2011 Main Street Rag Book Competition
2011 Main Street Rag Chapbook Competition
2011 Oscar Arnold Young Book Competition
2011 Aroma of Art Poetry Competition
2010 Aroma of Art Poetry Competition
2010 Alexander Muse Poetry Competition
2010 Main Street Rag Book Competition
2010 Main Street Rag Chapbook Competition
2010 Peter Pan Prize (Poetry Society of South Carolina)
2010 William Gilmore Simms Poetry Prize (Poetry Society of South Carolina)
2009 Gertrude Munzenmaier Prize (Poetry Society of South Carolina)
2009 Aroma of Art Poetry Competition
2009 Main Street Rag Chapbook Competition
2009 Sam Ragan Poetry Prize (Poetry Council of North Carolina)
2008 Aroma of Art Poetry Competition

Workshops and Lectures

2013 "Everything You Ever Wanted to Know About Writing Poetry, Barton College, Wilson, NC
2013 "Where Poems Come From," Blue Ridge Writers Conference, Blue Ridge, GA
2013 "How To Make It Good," Blue Ridge Writers Conference, Blue Ridge, GA
2013 "The Habits of Highly Productive Poets," The Writer's Circle, Hayesville, NC
2013 "Everything You Ever Wanted to Know About Writing Poetry," The Writer's Circle, Hayesville, NC
2013 "Monday Night Writing Workshop – 15 Weeks," Hickory, NC
2013 "Summer Writing Workshop – 11 Weeks," Hickory, NC
2013 "Paying Attention," Montessori at Sandy Ford, Hickory, NC
2012 "Everything You Ever Wanted to Know About Writing Poetry," Hickory, NC
2012 "Everything You Ever Wanted to Know About Writing Poetry," Working Title Farm, Newton, NC
2012 "Everything You Ever Wanted to Know About Writing Poetry," Coastal Carolina University, Pawley's Island, SC
2012 "From Inspiration to Publication," The Writers' Workshop, Asheville, NC
2012 "From Inspiration to Publication," The Writers' Workshop, Charlotte, NC
2012 "So You've Written a Good Poem, What Now?" Coastal Carolina University, Pawley's Island, SC

2012 “So You’ve Written a Good Poem, What Now?” The Writer’s Circle, Hayesville, NC
 2011 “Momentous Writing,” Coastal Carolina University, Pawley’s Island, SC
 2011 “The W’s of Writing: Self-Sustaining Writing Prompts,” NC Writers Network Fall Conference
 2011 “6 Degrees of Collaboration,” Sensoria, CPCC, Charlotte, NC
 2011 “The Greatest Writing Prompt Ever,” Minetta Lane Center for Arts, Hickory, NC
 2011 “The Best Writing Prompt Ever,” Writers’ Workshop, Isothermal Community College, Spindale, NC
 2011 “The Best Writing Prompt Ever,” Blue Ridge Writers’ Conference, Blue Ridge, GA
 2011 “Publishing in Online Poetry Journals,” Blue Ridge Writers’ Conference, Blue Ridge, GA
 2011 “The W’s of Writing: Self-Sustaining Writing Prompts,” The Writer’s Circle, Hayesville, NC
 2011 “What Poetry Isn’t,” Catawba Valley Community College, Hickory, NC
 2011 “Getting Started,” Catawba Valley Community College, Hickory, NC
 2010 “The Best Writing Prompt Ever,” NC Writers’ Network Spring Conference, UNCG, Greensboro, NC
 2010 “The Best Writing Prompt Ever,” NC Poetry Society, Wayne Community College, Goldsboro, NC
 2010 “What Poetry Isn’t,” Catawba Valley Community College, Hickory, NC
 2009 “Top 10 Things I Wish Someone Had Said to Me along the Way,” Mitchell Community College, Statesville, NC

Published Reviews

Abbatte, Robert. *Courage of Straw*. Wild Goose Poetry Review, 2010.
 Abbott, Anthony. *If Words Could Save Us*. Wild Goose Poetry Review, 2012.
 Abbott, Anthony. *New and Selected Poems*. Wild Goose Poetry Review, 2009.
 Absher, Stan. *Night Weather*. Wild Goose Poetry Review, 2011.
 Albrecht, Malaika King. *Lessons in Forgetting*. Wild Goose Poetry Review, 2010.
 Amen, John. *At the Threshold of Alchemy*. Wild Goose Poetry Review, 2009.
 Armstrong, R.D. et.al. *Long Way Home*. Main Street Rag, 2009.
 Baddour, Margaret Booth. *Scheherezade*. Outlook, 2009.
 Bathanti, Joseph. *Land of Amnesia*. Wild Goose Poetry Review, 2009.
 Beall, Glenda. *Now Might as Well Be Then*. Wild Goose Poetry Review, 2009.
 Beers, Shaindel. *A Brief History of Time*. Wild Goose Poetry Review, 2010.
 Campbell, Pris. *Hesitant Commitments*. Wild Goose Poetry Review, 2009.
 Campbell, Pris. *Postscripts to the Dead*. Wild Goose Poetry Review, 2012.
 Campbell, Pris. *Sea Trails*. Wild Goose Poetry Review, 2009.
 Carty, Jessie. *At the A & P Meridiem*. Main Street Rag, 2009.
 Carty, Jessie. *Paper House*. Wild Goose Poetry Review, 2010.
 Carty, Jessie. *The Wait of Atom*. Wild Goose Poetry Review, 2009.
 Claytor, Sara. *Howling on Red Dirt Roads*. Wild Goose Poetry Review, 2009.
 Claytor, Sara. *Memory Bones*. Wild Goose Poetry Review and The Pilot, 2011.
 Cook, Corey. *What to Do with a Dying Parakeet*. Wild Goose Poetry Review, 2011.
 Day, Lucille Lang. *The Curvature of Blue*. Wild Goose Poetry Review, 2010.
 Erickson, Terri Kirby. *Telling Tales of Dusk*. Wild Goose Poetry Review, 2009.
 Faith, Melanie. *Bright Burning Fuse*. Wild Goose Poetry Review, 2008.
 Ferguson, Linda Annas. *Bird Missing from One Shoulder*. Wild Goose Poetry Review, 2008.
 Ferguson, Linda Annas. *Dirt Sandwich*. Wild Goose Poetry Review, 2009
 and Pirene’s Fountain, 2010.
 Frischkorn, Suzanne. *Lit Windowpane*. Wild Goose Poetry Review, 2008.
 Fuller, Janice Moore. *Séance*. Wild Goose Poetry Review, 2008.
 Geiger, Timothy. *The Curse of Pheromones*. Wild Goose Poetry Review, 2008
 Grant, Alex. *Fear of Moving Water*. Wild Goose Poetry Review, 2010.
 Grant, Alex. *The Circus*. Wild Goose Poetry Review, 2010.
 Griffin, Bill. *Snake Den Ridge*. Wild Goose Poetry Review, 2009.
 Herman, Mimi. *Logophilia*. Wild Goose Poetry Review, 2013.
 Honeycutt, Irene Blair. *Before the Light Changes*. Wild Goose Poetry Review, 2008.

Hostovsky, Paul. *Bending the Notes*. Wild Goose Poetry Review, 2009.

Hostovsky, Paul. *A Little in Love a Lot*. Wild Goose Poetry Review, 2012.

Jackson, Beverly. *Every Burning Thing*. Wild Goose Poetry Review, 2008.

Johnson, Larry. *Veins*. Wild Goose Poetry Review, 2011.

Kaufman, Debra. *Moon Mirror Whiskey Wind*. Main Street Rag, 2009.

Kaufman, Debra. *The Next Moment*. Wild Goose Poetry Review, 2010.

Kaye, Ami. *What Hands Can Hold*. Wild Goose Poetry Review, 2010.

King, Robert S. *The Gravedigger's Roots*. Wild Goose Poetry Review, 2011.

Krawiec, Richard. *Breakdown*. Wild Goose Poetry Review, 2008.

Krawiec, Richard, editor. *The Sound of Poets Cooking*. Wild Goose Poetry Review and Pirene's Fountain, 2010.

Kwochka, Annalee. *Seventeen*. Wild Goose Poetry Review, 2011.

Lader, Bruce. *Landscapes of Longing*. Wild Goose Poetry Review, 2009.

Lane, John. *Abandoned Quarry*. Wild Goose Poetry Review, 2011.

Losse, Helen. *Better with Friends*. Main Street Rag, 2009.

Maginnes, Al. *Ghost Alphabet*. Main Street Rag, 2009.

Maginnes, Al. *Greatest Hits*. Wild Goose Poetry Review and The Pilot, 2011.

Manning, David T. *Continents of Light*. Wild Goose Poetry Review, 2010.

McDowell, Gary L. *American Amen*. Pirene's Fountain, 2011.

Mitchell, Felicia. *The Cleft of the Rock*. Wild Goose Poetry Review, 2009.

Moore, Lenard, editor. *Solo Café 8&9: teachers & students*. Wild Goose Poetry Review, 2011.

Moran, Ron. *Waiting*. Wild Goose Poetry Review, 2010.

Moran, Ron. *The Jane Poems*. Wild Goose Poetry Review, 2011.

Nelson, Paul. *Sea Level*. Wild Goose Poetry Review, 2008.

Peeler, Tim. *Checking Out*. Wild Goose Poetry Review, 2010.

Posey, Nancy. *Let the Lady Speak*. Wild Goose Poetry Review, 2011.

Post, Connie. *And When the Sun Drops*. Wild Goose Poetry Review, 2013.

Post, Connie. *Trip Wires*. Wild Goose Poetry Review, 2011.

Rash, Ron. *Waking*. Wild Goose Poetry Review, 2011.

Redmond, Glenis. *Under the Sun*. Wild Goose Poetry Review, 2008.

Rice, Molly. *Mill Hill*. Wild Goose Poetry Review, 2013.

Rigsbee, David. *Two Estates*. Wild Goose Poetry Review, 2009.

Rigsbee, David. *The Pilot House*. The Pilot and Wild Goose Poetry Review, 2011.

Rigsbee, David. *The Red Tower: New & Selected Poems*. Wild Goose Poetry Review, 2010.

Riviere-Seel, Pat. *The Serial Killer's Daughter*. Wild Goose Poetry Review, 2009.

Roberts, Steven. *Another Word for Home*. Wild Goose Poetry Review and Pirene's Fountain, 2010.

Romine-Powell, Danyne. *A Necklace of Bees*. Wild Goose Poetry Review, 2008.

Scott Joanna Catherine. *An Innocent in the House of the Dead*. Wild Goose Poetry Review, 2012.

Scott, Joanna Catherine. *Night Huntress*. Wild Goose Poetry Review, 2008.

Sherrill, Steven. *Ersatz Anatomy*. Wild Goose Poetry Review, 2011.

Simpson, Nancy, editor. *Echoes Across the Blue Ridge*. Wild Goose Poetry Review, 2010.

Smith, Mike. *Multiverse*. Wild Goose Poetry Review, 2010.

Smith, Steve. *A Short Report on the Fire at Woolworth*. Wild Goose Poetry Review and The Pilot, 2010.

Steele, Celisa. *How Language Is Lost*. Wild Goose Poetry Review, 2011.

Taylor, Richard Allen. *Punching through the Egg of Space*. Wild Goose Poetry Review, 2010.

Terry, Daniel Nathan. *Waxwings*. Wild Goose Poetry Review, 2013.

Trull, Rhett Iseman. *The Real Warnings*. Wild Goose Poetry Review, 2010.

York, John Thomas. *Naming the Constellations*. Wild Goose Poetry Review, 2011.

Readings Given

2013 Barton College, Wilson, NC

2013 Blue Ridge Writers Conference, Blue Ridge, GA

2013 Mill Creek Middle School, Claremont, NC
2013 NC Poetry Society Anniversary, Malaprops Bookstore, Asheville, NC
2013 Burke County Arts Council, Morganton, NC
2013 Caldwell Arts Council, Lenoir, NC
2013 Bethlehem Library, Bethlehem, NC
2013 Joe Milford Poetry Show, blogtalkradio.com
2013 Wordplay, ashevillefm.org
2013 Writers' Night Out, Young Harris, GA
2013 McIntyre's Fine Books, Carrboro, NC
2013 Lazy Lion Bookstore, Fuquay-Varina, NC
2013 Poetry Lincolnton, Lincoln Cultural Center, Lincolnton, NC
2013 Taste Full Beans Coffeehouse, Hickory, NC
2013 Hickory Museum of Art, Hickory, NC
2012 Gaston College, Gastonia, NC
2012 Catawba College, Salisbury, NC
2012 St. Andrew's Presbyterian College, Laurinburg, NC
2012 Callanwolde, Atlanta, GA
2012 Alexander County Library, Bethlehem, NC
2012 Sherrill's Ford Library, Sherrill's Ford, NC
2012 Writers' Night Out, Hiawasse, GA
2012 McIntyre's Fine Books, Carrboro, NC
2012 Poetry Hickory, Taste Full Beans Coffeehouse, Hickory, NC
2012 City Lights Bookstore, Sylva, NC
2012 Poetry Lincolnton, Lincolnton, NC
2012 Working Title Farm, Newton, NC
2012 Hickory Museum of Art, Hickory, NC
2012 Caldwell Community College, Hudson, NC
2011 Sensoria Arts Festival, Central Piedmont Community College, Charlotte, NC
2011 Blue Ridge Writers' Conference, Blue Ridge, GA
2011 NC Writers' Network Fall Conference, Asheville, NC
2011 Writers' Night Out, Young Harris College, Young Harris, GA
2011 Writers' Forum, St. Andrews Presbyterian College, Laurinburg, NC
2011 Litchfield Tea & Poetry Series, Waccamaw Center for Higher Education, Pawley's Island, SC
2011 Wilkes Community College, Wilkesboro, NC
2011 Caldwell Community College, Hudson, NC
2011 Isothermal Community College, Spindale, NC
2011 Wilkes County Library, N. Wilkesboro, NC
2011 Burke County Library, Morganton, NC
2011 Minetta Lane Center for the Arts and Peace, Hickory, NC
2011 Poetry Lincolnton, Lincolnton, NC
2011 Flyleaf Books, Chapel Hill, NC
2011 Barnhill's Books and Wine, Winston-Salem, NC
2011 McIntyre's Fine Books, Carrboro, NC
2011 Books & Breadboard, Asheville, NC
2011 Cellar 101, Fuquay-Varina, NC
2011 Royal Bean Coffeehouse, Raleigh, NC
2011 Malaprop's Bookstore, Asheville, NC
2011 Poetry Hickory, Taste Full Beans Coffeehouse, Hickory, NC
2011 NC Poetry Society Reading Series, McIntyre's Fine Books, Pittsboro, NC
2011 Poets & Writers with Henry McCarthy, WEHC 90.7, Emory & Henry College, Emory, VA
2011 Joe Milford Poetry Show, blogtalkradio.com
2011 Wordplay, ashevillefm.org

2010 NC Writers' Network Spring Conference, UNCG, Greensboro, NC
2010 Visiting Writer, Wilkes Community College, Wilkesboro, NC
2010 Barton College, Wilson, NC
2010 Mitchell Community College, Statesville, NC
2010 Surry Community College, Dobson, NC
2010 Catawba Valley Community College, Hickory, NC
2010 Black Cat Reading Series, Catawba College, Literary BookPost, Salisbury, NC
2010 Wayne Community College, Goldsboro, NC
2010 Poetry Hour, Durham Technical Community College, Durham, NC
2010 Gaston College, Gastonia, NC
2010 Poetry Extravaganza, Burke County Library, Morganton, NC
2010 Wilkes County Library, North Wilkesboro, NC
2010 Alexander County Library, Bethlehem, NC
2010 Hickory City Library, Hickory, NC
2010 Caldwell County Library, Lenoir, NC
2010 Gaston County Library, Gastonia, NC
2010 NC Poetry Society Awards Day, Southern Pines, NC
2010 WordPlay with Jeff Davis, Broadcast from Asheville, NC
2010 Joe Milford Poetry Show, blogtalkradio.com
2010 Jane Crown Poetry Show, blogtalkradio.com
2010 Coffee with the Poets, Phillips & Lloyd Booksellers, Hayesville, NC
2010 Curiosity Bookshop, Murphy, NC
2010 Quail Ridge Books, Raleigh, NC
2010 Todd General Store, Todd, NC
2010 NC Poetry Society Reading Series, McIntyre's Fine Books, Pittsboro, NC
2010 National Poetry Month Celebration, Barnes & Noble, Hickory, NC
2010 Aroma of Art, Hickory, NC
2010 Green Rice Gallery, Charlotte, NC
2010 Railwalk Gallery, Salisbury, NC
2010 Poetry Hickory, Taste Full Beans Coffeehouse, Hickory, NC
2010 Poetry Lincolnton, Generation Bean, Lincolnton, NC
2010 Osondu Booksellers, Waynesville, NC
2010 Malaprops Book Store, Asheville, NC
2010 Red Headed Stepchild Celebration, Hickory, NC
2009 Visiting Writer, Catawba Valley Community College, Hickory, NC
2009 ArtsFest, Central Piedmont Community College, Charlotte, NC
2009 Visiting Writer, Catawba College, Salisbury, NC
2009 Gaston County Library, Gastonia, NC
2009 Hickory City Library, Hickory, NC
2009 Burke County Library, Morganton, NC
2009 Main Branch Poetry Series, Poetry Society of SC, Charleston, SC
2009 Joe Milford Poetry Show, blogtalkradio.com
2009 WordPlay with Jeff Davis, Broadcast from Asheville, NC
2009 NC Poetry Society Reading Series, McIntyre's Fine Books, Pittsboro, NC
2009 Joseph Beth Booksellers, Charlotte, NC
2009 Poetry Hickory, Taste Full Beans Coffeehouse, Hickory, NC
2009 Aroma of Art, Hickory, NC
2009 Main Street Rag / Iodine Poetry Journal Event, Green Rice Gallery, Charlotte, NC
2009 Dead Mule Round Up, Hickory, NC
2008 Joe Milford Poetry Show, blogtalkradio.com
2008 Poetry Hickory, Taste Full Beans Coffeehouse, Hickory, NC
2008 Aroma of Art, Hickory, NC

2008 Quail Ridge Books, Raleigh, NC
2008 NC Poetry Society Reading Series, McIntyre's Fine Books, Pittsboro, NC
2008 Malaprops Book Store, Asheville, NC
2008 Zander's Coffee Shop, Newton, NC
2008 First Talk with Hal Row, AM 1290, Hickory, NC
2008 Main Street Rag, Charlotte, NC
1995 Caldwell Community College, Lenoir, NC
1995 Poplar Street Books, Charlotte, NC
1994 Lenoir Rhyne Visiting Writers Series
1994 Blumenthal Writers & Readers Series
1994 Rowan-Cabarrus Community College, Salisbury, NC
1994 Central Piedmont Community College, Charlotte, NC
1994 Borders Bookstore, Charlotte, NC
1994 Elizabeth Coffee & Tea, Charlotte, NC
1994 Stanleyville Grill, Charlotte, NC
1994 Charlotte Poetry Review Literary Festival, Dilworth Brewing Company, Charlotte, NC
1994 Myers Park High School, Charlotte, NC
1993 Rowan-Cabarrus Community College, Salisbury, NC
1993 St. Mary's House, UNC Greensboro, Greensboro, NC
1993 Barnes & Noble Bookstore, Charlotte, NC
1993 Books at Quail Corners, Raleigh, NC
1993 Paper Skyscraper, Charlotte, NC
1993 Poplar Street Books, Charlotte, NC
1992 UNC Charlotte, Charlotte, NC
1992 St. Mary's House, UNC Greensboro, Greensboro, NC
1992 Poplar Street Books, Charlotte, NC
1992 Center of the Earth Gallery, Charlotte, NC
1992 Dilworth Brewing Company, Charlotte, NC
1991 UNC Charlotte, Charlotte, NC
1991 Central Piedmont Community College, Charlotte, NC
1991 Poplar Street Books, Charlotte, NC
1990 UNC Charlotte, Charlotte, NC
1990 Gaston Day School, Gastonia, NC
1990 Seon, The Arts Alliance, Charlotte, NC
1989 UNC Charlotte, Charlotte, NC
1989 Poplar Street Books, Charlotte, NC

Published Poems

More than 1200 poems published. Sample places of publication listed below.

2014, "Breaking Morning," *Poet's Market*
2013, "Of 10 or More in a Room," NC Poetry On the Bus / *Raleigh Review*
2012, "The Imperfection of Deities," *South Carolina Review*
2011, "A Partial List of Things That Happened at Harris Landing," *South Carolina Review*
2010, "Debating Human Nature at the Petro Express a Week after Ike," *Writing the New South*, NCWN
2009, "Cleaning House," *North American Review*
2008, "The Arrival of Wings" and "Prosody," *Tar River Poetry*
2007, "If He Had Seen the Day Shining in One More Window," *Pedestal*
1996, "Something of Morning," *Wellspring*
1995, "Remote," *Hollins Critic*
1994, "The Sun Was Like an Oxymoron," *Poetry East*
1993, "The Ashes and Poplars Bent Down Toward Her Corolla," *Georgia Review*
1992, "Breakings," *Poet & Critic*

- 1991, "Meetings in Poultry," *Chattahoochee Review*
1990, "Dowry," *Pembroke*
1989, "The Event Rightfully Remembered," *Southern Poetry Review*

Published Articles

- More than 100 articles published as "Musings" column in *Outlook* newspaper, Newton, NC
2014, "Poetry Readings: The Place Where Everyone Wins," *Poet's Market*
2013, "The Long Distance Poet," *Outlook*
2012, "Whether They Work Together or Apart," Vagabondage Press
2012, "Why I Write Poetry," NCWN Newsletter
2011, "Perpetual Writing Prompts," NCWN Newsletter
2011, "Providential Pairings," 234
2011, "Six Degrees of Collaboration," *Pirene's Fountain*
2010, "The Well-Balanced Plate: Poetry and Multitasking," NCWN Newsletter
2010, "Said One Collaborator to the Other," *Referential Magazine*
2009, "How I Became a Regional Rep," NCWN Newsletter
2008, "Why Go to a Poetry Reading," WFAE, NPR Charlotte Affiliate

Other Professional Activities

- Editor, *Wild Goose Poetry Review*, 2008 - Present
Founding Editor, *234*, 2011 - Present
Founder and Coordinator, Poetry Hickory 2007 – Present
Founder and Coordinator, Writers' Night Out, 2008 - Present
Vice President, North Carolina Poetry Society, 2012 - Present
Founder and Facilitator, Art of Poetry, Hickory Museum of Art, 2012 - Present
Poetry Editor, *Catawba*, 2009 - Present
Editor, *Best of Poetry Hickory*, 2011 - Present
Manager, Oscar Arnold Young Poetry Book Competition, 2011-2013
Vice President, Poetry Council of North Carolina, 2009 - 2013
Local Organizer, 100 Thousand Poets for Change, 2011-2012
Facilitator, Sandra Beasley Workshop, 2013
Facilitator, Ce Rosenow Workshop, 2012
Facilitator, Lenard Moore Workshop, 2012
Facilitator, Maureen Sherbondy Workshop, 2012
Facilitator, Joseph Mills Workshop, 2012
Facilitator, Richard Kraweic Workshop, 2012
Facilitator, Robert Lee Brewer Workshop, 2012
Facilitator, Debra Kaufman Workshop, 2012
Facilitator, Alex Grant Poetry Workshop, 2011
Facilitator, NCPS Joseph Bathanti Poetry Workshop, 2010
Facilitator, Richard Kraweic & Maureen Sherbondy Poetry Workshop, 2010
Associate Editor, *Southern Poetry Review*, 1994 - 1998