CASSIE SADE TURNIPSEED, MBA/MS/PhD

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EDUCATION:

| 2010-16 | Middle Tennessee State University, Murfreesboro, TN |
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| | • PhD, Public History—Huhta Fellow (2014-15) |
| 1999 | George Washington University, Washington, DC |
| | • Certificate of Completion, Distance Education & Web-based Instructional Designs |
| 1995-97 | Golden Gate University, San Francisco, CA |
| | • MBA, Marketing/International Management |
| | • MS, Telecommunications Management |
| 1992-93 | University Berkeley, Extension, Berkeley, CA |
| | • Advertising |
| 1989-91 | San Francisco State University, San Francisco, CA |

AWARDS / ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

- 2018 Summer Research Grant—*The Lessons of the Gullah Geechee: Making a Way Out of No Way,* Mississippi Valley State University, 6/18-7/18.
- Diversity Educator of the Year, Institute of Higher Learning, State of Mississippi, 2017
- NAACP, Certificate of Accomplishment, Moorhead, MS, 11/16

• BS, Media (radio & television) Communications

- BOSS Lady: Breaking the Glass Ceiling Award, Grammy Museum, Cleveland, MS, 10/16
- Historic Preservation Award, AKA Sorority, Mound Bayou, MS, 2/22/15
- Middle Tennessee State University -- Huhta Fellow, 2014
- Community Service Tribute: Black History Month Spotlight, New Hope Missionary Baptist Church, Indianola, MS, 2/9/14
- Studio 53, Community Award, St Louis, MO, 2013
- Youth Outreach and Cultural Learning Award, NAACP Freedom Fund Banquet, 4/12
- U.S. Congressional Honor for commitment to preserving the rich history and heritage of the Mississippi Delta, by Congressman Bennie G Thompson, October 23, 2012
- Mississippi Governor Haley Barbour selected Fellow, Delta Regional Authority, Delta Leadership Institute, 2008
- Delta Blues Most Dedicated Award, MS Blues Reunion Festival, Belzoni, MS, 11/11
- Participant, George Melendez Wright, New Orleans Conference, 2011
- Host, Delta Renaissance, Cultural Arts Talk Show, WABG-TV, 2009-current
- Host, Delta Scene, Public Affairs Talk Show, WXVT-TV, Greenville, MS, 2007-09
- Delta Regional Authority: Delta Leadership Institute, Fellow, '08-09
- MC/Announcer, Indianola Christmas Parade, Indianola, MS
- First African American Woman to sit on the Economic Development Foundation, Board of Directors, in Choctaw County Mississippi, USA, 2004-2007
- Diaspora (USA/Canada/South America/Caribbean/West Indies) Rep., Pan African Film & Video Festival, Ouagadougou, (FESPACO)-Paul Robeson Award, 2003-09
- Entrepreneur of the Year: African Bridge, Inc, 2004
- Black Filmmaker's Hall of Fame—Best Producer Award, 1993
- Telecommunications Education Trust--Jack P. Eckley, Graduate Scholarship, 1995
- TeleCommunications Association (TCA) Fellowship, 1994
- Republique de Cote d'Ivoire, Ville d'Abidjan—Les Palmes d'Honneur de la City, issued by Mel Theodore EG, Maire de Cocody, 1993
- Independent Producer of the Year, Black Filmmakers Hall of Fame, 1993
- American Women Radio & TV (AWRT), Outstanding Media Student Award, 1987

TEACHING EXPERIENCE:

Courses:

- History: American / African / World / Public History—Mississippi Valley State University, Itta Bena, MS
- History: American / African—Cal State University, Northridge, CA
- Public Relations: Marketing / Mass Media University District of Columbia, Washington, DC
- Video Production: Scriptwriting / Photography—Chatsworth High School, Chatsworth, CA

| 2013- 2011-12 | Assistant Professor, History—Mississippi Valley State University, Itta Bena, MS |
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| | Healthy U Youth Empowerment Program, da' House/Khafre, Inc, Indianola, MS |
| 2012 | Lecturer, Youth Bridges Mentoring Program, BB King Museum, Indianola, MS |
| 2008 | Visiting Professor, Errol Barrow Centre for Creative Imagination, University of |
| | Barbados, Barbados WI |
| 2007 | Visiting Professor, Errol Barrow Centre for Creative Imagination, University of |
| | Barbados, Barbados WI |
| 2005-13 | Young Publishers' Network, Red Clay Publishing/Khafre, Inc, Mississippi |
| 2002-04 | Professor (Adjunct)—Dept. of African Studies, Cal State Univ., Northridge, CA |
| 2002 | Professor (Adjunct)—Dept. of Communications, El Camino College, CA |
| 2002 | Professor (Adjunct)—Dept. of Communications, West Coast Univ., L.A., CA, |
| 2001-03 | Instructor, Art Department, Los Angeles Unified School District, L.A., CA |
| 2000-01 | Instructor, English Department, Los Angeles Unified School District, L.A., CA |
| 1998 | Professor (Adjunct)—Dept. of Communications, University of DC, WDC |

BUSINESS/ PUBLIC RELATIONS/CULTURAL MANAGEMENT:

National Association of Black Storytellers (NABS), CHAIR, PUBLIC RELATIONS Dr. Mary Ann Harris, Karen "Queen Nur," Karen Abdul-Malik Presidents-2013-2017

KHAFRE Inc., FOUNDER/EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, Non-profit Mississippi-based arts organization, 10/2003-current

Projects underway:

- Cotton Pickers of America Monument Complex/Cotton Kingdom Historical Trail, Founder
- MS Delta Blues Back to Africa Education and Cultural Exchange, Creative Director
- Youth Empowerment Program, Healthy U; Young @ Heart—Let's Do Art!

da' House of Khafre, GENERAL MANAGER, Cultural Arts Center, Historical Downtown Indianola, MS, 2010-current.

FESPACO, Presenting Reel African Images (PRAI), INTERNATIONAL OUTREACH CONSULTANT, Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso, W. Africa 2003-09

Delta Renaissance And Delta Scene—Television Talk Show(s), HOST/PRODUCER Red Clay and KHAFRE Productions...Greenville, MS 2007–current

BB King Museum and Delta Interpretive Center, DIRECTOR, EDUCATION & PROGRAMMING SPECIALIST/OUTREACH Indianola, MS—9/2007—10/2009

Pan African Film Festival, Ouagadougou—FESPACO

UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVE ~ Presenting Reel African Images (PRAI), Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso, W. Africa 2003-09

Mississippi Action for Community Education (MACE), DIRECTOR, CULTURAL ARTS, Greenville, MS, 2007

YOUNG PUBLISHER'S GLOBAL NETWORK, FOUNDER/MANAGING DIRECTOR, Ackerman & Louisville, MS –2006—2007

Women's Channel/WORLDSPACE, Inc., SR. V.P. PUBLIC RELATIONS / SR. WRITER PRODUCER, AFRICA, Washington, DC, 1999

SADE'S COURT—An Eclectic Boutique of African Designs, OWNER/BUSINESS MANAGER, Oakland, CA 1990-1993

KQED-TV Public Broadcasting Service, PUBLIC RELATIONS/AUDIENCE SERVICES ASSOCIATE, San Francisco, CA, 1990-92

Peralta Colleges Television Network, (PCTV), PROGRAMMING DIRECTOR / FILM FESTIVAL PROMOTIONS COORDINATOR, Oakland, CA, 1987-90

INTERNATIONAL CULTURAL EXCHANGE:

CARIBBEAN:

- Creative Writing Workshop, The Blues History, Errol Barrow Centre for Creative Imagination, University West Indies, Barbados, October 2008
- Creative Writing Workshop, Ida B. Wells: American Shero, Errol Barrow Centre for Creative Imagination, University West Indies, Barbados, October 2009
- Writing Workshop Facilitator, Harriet Tubman Writin' Workshop, National, 2007

AFRICA:

- INVITATION: Fourth World Summit of Mayors and Leaders from Africa and of African Descent, June 1-3, 2015, Accra, Ghana.
- INVITATION: College of Humanities Research Conference 2015, at University of Ghana, from June 18-20, 2015, Accra, Ghana.
- FESPACO/PRAI: Diaspora Coordinator, The Paul Robeson Award Initiative (2009), Sade Turnipseed, Chair
- FESPACO/PRAI: Diaspora Coordinator/Presenter, The Paul Robeson Award Initiative (2007), Charles Burnett, Chair
- Best of the Best African Television Market (BOBTV)— Diaspora Coordinator/Presenter, Abuja, Nigeria 3/06
- FESPACO/PRAI: Diaspora Coordinator/Presenter, The Paul Robeson Award Initiative (2005), Harry Belafonte, Chair
- FESPACO/PRAI: Diaspora Coordinator/Presenter, The Paul Robeson Award Initiative (2003), Maya Angelou, William Greaves, Chair
- FESPACO 2005 "Telling Our Story" The Documentary, Producer, 2005

EUROPE:

- Presenter, Inclusive Museum Conference 2017 University of Manchester, London England, 9/15-17/17
- INVITATION: Panelist, Mississippi Delta Blues, at the Notodden International Blues Festival 2008, Notodden, Norway

PUBLIC LECTURES/PRESENTATIONS:

- Presenter, United Nations Commission on the Status of Women, March 12-23, 2018, New York, NY
- Presenter, J.A. Fair School District, 2/22-23, 2018, Little Rock, AR
- Presenter, Center for Advancing Opportunity, "State of Opportunity in America Summit," Washington, DC, 2/5-6/2018
- O Holy Night First Presbyterian Church, 12/30/2017, Greenwood, MS

UNITED STATES:

- The 6th Annual Cotton Pickers Ball for Khafre, Inc @ da House of Khafre, Indianola, MS, Nov 10, 2017
- The 6th Annual Sweat Equity Investment in the Cotton Kingdom Symposium for Khafre Inc @ MVSU, Nov 10, 2017
- 3rd Annual Historical Narrative Student Competition, 10/2017-11/2017
- The 2nd Annual Sweat Equity Investment Brown Bag @ MVSU, Nov 9, 2017
- Presenter, Jackson State University, 11/2/2017, Jackson, MS
- Presenter, 18th Annual Graduate History Conference-University of Memphis, 10/20/17, Memphis TN
- Presenter, The 3rd Conference on the Social Sciences, Sociology and Globalization in Asia 9/1-3, 2017, Hiroshima, Japan
- Presenter, Inclusive Museum Conference 2017 University of Manchester, London England, 9/15-17/17
- Presenter/Facilitator, College of Charleston Conference "Transforming Public History from Charleston to the Atlantic World," 6/14-17/17
- Invited Speaker, Borough of Manhattan Community College, NY, 2/24/17
- Invited Guest, Maya Angelou's Dedication, Wake Forest University, Winston Salem, NC, 2/16-19/17
- Acceptance Speech, Diversity Educator of the Year, IHL in Jackson, MS, 2/16/17
- Keynote Presenter: "Embracing Our Greatestness," Reflection and Youth Development Museum, EE Bass Auditorium, Greenville, MS, 2/11/17
- Keynote Presenter: Celebrating Our Legacy, Mound Bayou, MS, Dec 2, 2016
- Presenter: Preserving Black Communities and Townships, Houston, TX, Nov 16-19, 2016
- Presenter: The 5th Annual Cotton Pickers Ball @ da House of Khafre, Indianola, MS, Nov 11, 2016
- Plenary Session Presenter/Organizer: The 5th Annual Sweat Equity Investment in the Cotton Kingdom Symposium @ MVSU, Nov 11, 2016
- Judge/Organizer: 2nd Annual Historical Narrative Student Competition, 10/2016-11/2016
- Coordinator: The 1st Annual Sweat Equity Investment Brown Bag @ MVSU, Nov 10, 2016
- Panelist: Challenging The Exclusive Past / Strategies for a New Public History of Agriculture and Rural Life, Baltimore, MD, 3/17/16
- Panelist: Historical Memory and Commemoration, 58th Annual Missouri Conference on History and Midwest Regional Meeting of Phi Alpha Theta, Columbia, MO, 3/11/16.
- Keynote Presenter: The Year of Cotton, University S. Carolina (Columbia), 3/3/16
- Keynote Presenter: Ida B. Wells presentation, Holly Grove M.B. Church, Lexington, MS, 2/28/16
- Keynote Presenter: Ida B. Wells presentation, Columbus-Lowndes Public Library, Columbus, MS, 2/18/16
- Keynote Presenter: Auburn University Montgomery (AUM) Conference, Montgomery AL, 2/6/16 (invited)

- Panelist: MLK, Jr Commemoration—Empowerment of the Minds/Discussing Civil Rights in America, MVSU, Itta Bena, MS, 1/17/16
- Presenter (Love): An Evening of Community Leaders, Oak Grove Missionary Baptist Church, Inverness, MS, 11/28/15
- Keynote Presenter: Cotton: The Fabric of Complexity, Drew University, N.J., 11/17/15
- Keynote Presenter: Cotton: The Fabric of Complexity, United Nations, N.Y., 11/16/15
- Plenary Session Presenter/Organizer: 4th Annual Sweat Equity Investment in the Cotton Kingdom Symposium, MVSU, Itta Bena, MS, 11/12/15
- Presenter: Humanities Council Symposium, Appalachia University, Charlotte, NC, 10/9/15
- Moderator / Presenter: California Black Chamber of Commerce 20th Annual Ron Brown Symposium-Women's Leadership Forum, Sacramento, CA, 9/15
- Presenter: BB King Day-"Blues People and the Food They Eat," MVSU, Itta Bena, MS, 9/3/15
- Keynote Presentation: "Making the Connection" Merritt Middle School, Indianola, MS 5/15
- Keynote Presentation: "How Long" St Luke's COGIC, Moorhead, MS 2/22/15
- Organizer/Emcee—3rd Annual Sweat Equity Investment in the Cotton Kingdom Symposium, MVSU, Itta Bena, MS, 11/7/14
- Emcee—The 31st NAACP Banquet, Congressman Bennie G. Thompson, Keynote, Moorhead, MS, 10/25/14
- Judge—3rd Annual Delta Hot Tamale Festival, Greenville, MS 10/18/14
- Emcee—Mound Bayou Summer Fest, Mound Bayou, MS 8/30/14
- Presenter—43rd Testimonial Program honoring Dr. David Matthews and Mrs. Lillian Matthews for 63 years of Service, Bell Grove Baptist Church, Indianola, MS 8/24/14
- Presenter—Embracing Opportunities Beyond the 21st Century, MVSU 8/19/14
- Presenter—N's Scholarship Gala, Greenwood/Leflore Civic Center, 5/14
- Panelist—Crossing Over: Borders & Bridges, Kentucky-Tennessee American Studies Association (KTASA), 5/16/14
- Presenter—History is Lunch (Brownbag), MS Dept. of Archives and History, 5/14/14
- Welcome Address—NV Scholarship Gala, Greenwood, MS Convention Center 5/3/14
- Emcee, Retirement Celebration—Curtis L. Smith, Indianola, MS 5/3/14
- Panelist—Founder's Week—Valley Pioneer Forum & Panel Discussion: Building on Traditions of the Past to Reclaim our Destiny, Mississippi Valley State University, 4/22/2014
- Emcee, A Night of Creativity—Greenville Scholars, EE Bass Aud., Greenville, MS, 4/14
- Featured Presenter—The Kentucky-Tennessee American Studies Biennial Meeting, Heritage Center of Murfreesboro, TN, 5/16-17/14
- Featured Speaker—BROWNBAG History is Lunch, Jackson, MS, 5/14/14
- Featured Speaker—Raspberry Men's Club, Charter School Issues, Indianola, MS, 4/15/14
- Featured Speaker—Telling Our Stories, Revel's Missionary Baptist, Indianola, MS 2/23/14
- Featured Presenter—From the Flatlands to the Coast: Bringing the Mississippi Delta to the Mississippi Gulf Coast, Mary C. O'Keefe Cultural Center/University of Southern Mississippi panel discussion, Ocean Springs, MS 1/31/14
- Featured Presenter—Workers Built This Country, A Smithsonian presentation, Henry M. Seymour Library, Indianola, MS, 12/17/13
- Organizer/Emcee—2nd Annual Sweat Equity Investment in the Cotton Kingdom Symposium, MVSU, Itta Bena, MS, 10/18/13
- Emcee—Grab the Mic Talent Showcase, Containment Ent., Greenville, MS, 9/27/13
- Judge—Grab the Mic Talent Showcase, Containment Ent., Greenville, MS, 9/14/13
- Facilitator—Sunflower Cty School Bd Meet and Greet, NAACP, Indianola, MS, 9/12/13
- Emcee/Presenter—Celebration of the Arts 2013, Floyd & Bessie Johnson Foundation, and 18TH Jazz and Heritage Festival, Greenville, MS, 8/13
- Keynote Presenter—Los Angeles Black Book Expo, 8/13

- Panelist—Oxford Blues Festival panel on tourism, Oxford, MS, 7/13
- Emcee—Grassroots Festival, Duck Hill, MS, 7/13
- Emcee—A Special Tribute and Street Unveiling Ceremony in honor of Mary Francis Shepard (AKA "Queen of Jook"), Club Ebony, Indianola, MS 5/13
- Presenter—National Black Graduate Students Association conference, Detroit MI, 3/13
- Panelist—Relevance of HBCUs, MVSU, Itta Bena, 2/13
- Panelist—Roots & Migration: Celebrating Art and the History of the Mississippi Delta Symposium, St Louis Art Museum, St Louis, MO, 2/13 (a special 2-day event)
- Judge—Poetry Out Loud Competition, MS Art Commission, BB King Museum, 2/13
- Organizer/Emcee—1st Annual Sweat Equity Investment in the Cotton Kingdom Symposium, MVSU, Itta Bena, MS, 10/12
- Emcee—Congressman Bennie Thompson's Town Hall Meeting: Get Out the Vote, Indianola, MS, 10/12
- Emcee—Grassroots Festival, Duck Hill, MS, 8/12
- Community Awards Presenter—NAACP Freedom Fund Banquet, Indianola, MS 4/12
- Health Awareness Presenter—Delta Health Alliance Health Fair, Indianola Promise Community, Indianola, MS, 4/12
- Presenter, Anti-Bullying Student Engagement Rally, Rolling Fork H.S., Rolling Fork, MS
- Emcee—Mary Francis Shepard Day "MS Delta's Queen of Jook," Indianola, MS, 4/12
- Presentation—African American History Month, New Hope COGIC, Indianola, MS, 2/12
- Emcee—African American History Month Celebrating African American Education, NAACP, Indianola, MS, 2/12
- Lecture/Presentation—NBGSA South Central Regional Conf., MSU, Starkville, MS, 11/11
- Emcee—Mississippi Blues Reunion Festival, Belzoni, MS, 11/11
- Emcee—Robert Johnson Remembrance Festival, Greenwood, MS, 10/11
- Emcee—Delta Blues and Heritage Festival, Greenville, MS, 9/11
- Emcee—Grassroots Festival, Duck Hill, MS, 8/11
- Lead Judge—X-FACTOR (talent search preliminaries)–FOX TV, 5/11
- Emcee—Grassroots Festival, Duck Hill, MS, 8/10
- Emcee—B.B. King Homecoming Festival, Indianola, MS, 6/09
- Emcee—Sunflower County Christmas Parade, Indianola, MS, 12/09
- Presenter—Ida B. Wells: Creative Writing Workshop into American History, Mississippi Arts Commission, Oxford, MS, 7/09
- Presenter—Ida B. Wells: Creative Writing Workshop into American History, Mississippi State University, Writer's Club, Starkville, MS, 05/09
- Presenter—Fannie Lou Hamer Empowerment, B.B. King Museum, Indianola, MS, 3-5/09
- Presenter—Ida B. Wells: Creative Writing Workshop into American History, City College San Francisco, CA-luncheon, SF, CA, 8/08
- Presenter—Blues Harmonica Project, B.B. King Museum, MS (statewide), 4/08
- The Harmonica Project/Parade, Grand Opening Ceremonies for the B.B. King Museum & Delta Interpretive Center, approximately 8, 000 students participated in a statewide effort to promote Blues in Mississippi. The Harmonica Parade had approximately 1,500 participants from schools throughout the Mississippi Delta, 2008
- Presenter—Young Publisher's Network, North Eastern Mississippi, 1/06-07
- The Fannie Lou Hamer Empowerment Project for the B.B. King Museum & Delta Interpretive Center, twenty-one ninth grade girls participated in the inaugural program, 2009.
- Don't Judge Me, A Poetrical (creative director), 2007
- Guest Lecturer—Winston County School District, Louisville, MS, 8/03-06
- Guest Lecturer—Choctaw County School District, Ackerman, MS, 8/03-06
- Writing Instructor—Choctaw County Public Library, Ackerman, MS, 6/04-06

- A Small Child Shall Lead Them to Love (creative director), 2006
- Forty Years Tribute to Community Service, Marion Barry, Mayor Washington, DC, 1988
- Fashion in the Symbols of the Adinkra--Ghanaian Embassy, 1987
- Dr. Maya Angelou and Sweet Honey in the Rock for a "Sweet Sunday at the Zellerbach-A Tribute to Women" UCB Zellerbach Auditorium, Berkeley, CA, 1987

VIDEO PRODUCTIONS:

- Lessons of the Gullah Geechee: Making a Way Out of No Way, 2018
- Dr. John Henrik Clarke: Master Teacher of All Time--video series, 1986-89
- JUNETEENTH: Oakland Style (Award winning documentary), 1988
- Fashion in the Symbols of the Adinkra--Ghanaian Embassy, 1987

ARTICLES PUBLISHED:

- Turnipseed, C. Sade and Pillow, Laurie (6/14/2018) *The Original Gullah Festival: A Memorable Link to History*, Beaufort, SC
- Turnipseed, C. Sade (8/12/2016) "Creating A Commemorative Site on The Heritage and Memory of Cotton Pickers in The Mississippi Delta: A Community Driven Movement"
- Turnipseed, C. Sade (5/30/2013) "Khafre, Inc Helps to Empower Delta Youth" Life in the Delta, Greenville, MS
- Turnipseed, C. Sade (6/2012) "Minnie Cox, Postmaster" Enterprise Tocsin, Indianola, MS
- Turnipseed, C. Sade (2/2012) "The NAACP Annual Freedom Fund Banquet" Enterprise Tocsin, Indianola, MS
- Turnipseed, C. Sade (2009) "The Thrill is Here" Blues Festival Guide 2009
- Turnipseed, (2006) Delta Democrat Times, free-lance
- Turnipseed, (2006) "B.B. King, The Blues King" Goge Africa, contributing editor
- Turnipseed, (2006) Winston County Journal, columnist
- Turnipseed, (2006) Choctaw County Plaindealer, columnist
- Turnipseed, (2006) Public Relations Strategies for African Film Producers of the 21st Century--Best of the Best African Television Market—Abuja, Nigeria 3/06
- Turnipseed, (2006) "To Brand or Not to Brand, Is No Longer the Question"—Best of the Best African Television Market—Abuja, Nigeria 3/06
- Turnipseed, (2006) No More Room for Anything but LOVE, Poetry, Ackerman, MS
- Turnipseed, (1990) American Women in Radio & Television, Writer, San Francisco, CA
- Turnipseed, (1985-6) CA Voice Newspaper, Contributing Editor, Berkeley, CA
- Turnipseed, (1985) Sun Reporter, Affiliate Staff Writer, San Francisco, CA

Partial listing

BOOKS PUBLISHED:

- Turnipseed, C.S., National Dialogue: Grandmama'nem and the Wisdom they Shared—7th Annual Sweat Equity Investment in the Cotton Kingdom Symposium, Anthology, pending
- Turnipseed, C.S., Up From the Cotton Patch, Revisited, pending
- Turnipseed, C.S., Lessons of the Gullah Geechee: Making a Way Out of No Way, pending
- Turnipseed, C.S. Field Hollers and Freedom Songs, 6th Annual Sweat Equity Investment in the Cotton Kingdom Symposium, Anthology, pending
- Turnipseed, C. Sade (2016) Cultural Heritage, Monuments, and Memory of Cotton Pickers in the Mississippi Delta: A Community Driven Historical Preservation Movement, Mound Bayou, MS—PhD Dissertation
- Turnipseed, (2009) Delapabeauty: How Mother Nature Reclaims Itself, Mississippi Delta, Indianola, MS
- Turnipseed, (2005, 2015) Saving Ourselves: A Surrogate Embrace by Writers of the 21st Century, Anthology, San Francisco, CA

• Turnipseed, (2005) Kissin' My Dust, Poetry, San Francisco, CA

BOOKS (EDITED):

- Hurst, Andrew (2010), "Wayne Ave."
- Barlow, Elvie (2009), "Covered by the Blood"
- McNutt, Peggie (2007), "Divine Inspirational Poetic Messages"
- Hannah, Troy A. (2007), "My Life: A Poetic Story Of Love"
- Norton, T. Clarice (2006), "Poetry's Mistress"
- Lee, Walterine (2006), "Poetry From The Heart...Then And Now"
- Fair, Maxine (2006), "Country Gurl: Poetry From Down South"
- McNutt, Peggy, (2006), "A Divine Call"

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS:

- National Black Graduate Students Association, 2013
- National Association of Black Storytellers (NABS)—Public Relations Chair, 2012
- Delta Regional Authority, Board Member (alternate MS state representative) 2012-
- National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP), Executive Committee, 2012
- Mississippi Delta Arts Alliance, 2011
- George Melendez Wright, (National Parks Affiliate), 2011 Fellow
- Blues Foundation, Board of Directors, 2009-2012
- Blues Society, Indianola, Board of Directors (Parliamentarian), 2009-current
- Delta Regional Authority/Delta Leadership Institute, Fellowship 2008-09
- Folk Alliance, International, 2007-current
- Mississippi Action for Community Education (MACE), Cultural Arts Director, 2007
- Best of the Best African Television Market, BOBTV—Abuja, Nigeria, 2007
- U.S. Rep., Pan African Film & Video Festival, Ouagadougou, (FESPACO), 2003-09
- National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP), North East Mississippi Regional, Member, 2006
- Choctaw County Econ. Dvmt. Bd. of Directors, Ackerman, MS—Member, 2003-07
- Young Publisher's Global Network, Chair, 2006-07
- University of California, Northridge, English Instructor-Pan African Studies, 2002-03
- El Camino Community College, Public Relations Instructor, 2002
- West Coast College, Public Relations Instructor, 2003
- Los Angeles Unified School District, English Teacher, 2000-02
- West Valley Chamber of Commerce, Northridge, CA--Vice-Chair, 2001
- University of District of Columbia, Adjunct Professor- Communications, 1999
- Sacramento Cable Board Commission, Sacramento, CA—Member, 1993
- San Francisco Cable Foundation, SF, CA--Executive Board Member, 1991
- TeleCommunications Association (TCA), member, Sacramento, CA, 1990

OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

Creative Arts Knowledge Management and Academic Leadership; Entrepreneurship and Economic Development; and Global Poverty & Peace

INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL:

Aruba, Barbados (x 4), Belize, Burkina Faso (x 7), Canada, Cuba, Egypt (x 2), England (x 2), Ethiopia, France (x 3), Ghana (x 4), Grenada (x 2), Ivory Coast (x 4), Jamaica (x 11), Nigeria (x 3), Norway, Mexico (x 3), Puerto Rico, Roatan / Honduras, St. Thomas, Senegal, Venezuela.

PERSONAL INTERESTS:

Traveling, Writing, Theater, Reggae / Soul / Classical Music, Sunsets, Walking along any ocean shore...

PROFESSIONAL REFERENCES:

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Prof. Walter Turner, College of Marin—510.206.7149 ~ waturner@igc.org

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Dr. Carroll Van West, Director, Center of Historic Preservation, MTSU—615.210.0953 ~ cwest@mtsu.edu

Sen. Willie Simmons, Senate District 13 Mississippi—662.402.1662