

All My Ancestors, Afro-Latinx: Creating from the Archive of Memory, Story, & Document

Allegany Room, Festival

Raina J. León
Darrel Alejandro Holnes
Malcolm Friend
Roberto Carlos Garcia

A Decade of Poetic Experiment: 2014 to 2024

Festival Ballroom

Lauri Scheyer
C.S. Giscombe
Meta DuEwa Jones
Douglas Kearney
Mark McMorris
Aldon Lynn Nielsen
Mendi Lewis Obadike

Nature & Politics in Contemporary Black Pastoral Poetry: A Creative & Critical Conversation

Room 3313, Rose Library

Maya Marshall
Ariana Benson
Iain Haley Pollock
Nathan McClain

blk folks, it's this thing callt love

Room 3311, Rose Library

Mariahadessa Ekere Tallie
Enzo Surin Silon
Shauna Morgan

The Making of Wheatley at 250: Black Women Poets Re-Imagine the Verse of Phillis Wheatley Peters

5th Floor Seminar Room, Rose Library

Danielle Legros Georges
Artress Bethany White
Gabrielle Civil
Shara McCallum

The African Poetry Book Fund Celebrates Ten Years of Publication: Canonizing & Promoting African Poetry & Poetics

Highlands Room, Festival

Marguerite L Harrold
Chris Abani
Lorna Dawes
Patricia Jabbeh Wesley

The New Archivists: Resisting the Silence by Adding to the Archive

Multipurpose Room, Atlantic Union Bank Center

Chet'la Sebree
Damaris B. Hill
Courtney Faye Taylor
Kiki Petrosino

Writing Back, Writing Forward: Black Poets & the Practice of (Re)Writing Form

Conference Room 7, Festival

Carmin Wong
Tiffany R. Pennamon
Angel C. Dye

Black Woman's Avant-Garde
Conference Room 6, Festival

Nakia Chaney
Anastacia-Renée
Tameka Cage-Connely
Cynthia Manick
Natalie Graham

CONCURRENT SESSION 2 | THURSDAY, SEPT.19, 2024 | 3:30pm-4:45pm

PANELISTS/PERFORMERS

The Earth is a Living Thing: Eco poetics of Black Aliveness
Conference Room 7, Festival

Ariana Benson
Ashia Ajani
Bernard Ferguson
Kenia Hale

Black Feminism in Art Song, Poetry, & Literature
Highlands Room, Festival

Shana Oshiro

Black in Translation
Allegheny Room, Festival

Danielle Legros Georges
Aaron Coleman
Esther Kondo Heller

Cultivating Poetic Abundance at HBCUs: Writing Communities at Spelman & in the AUC
Room 3313, Rose Library

Sharan Strange
Wandeka Gayle
Sequoia Maner
Sarah RudeWalker
Tangela Mitchell
Patience Stuckey
AT Rhodes

Home & Away: Black Poets Reflect on Global Living & Travel
Room 3311, Rose Library

Chanda Feldman
Dante Micheaux
Myronn Hardy
Charif Shannahan

Poetry Prize Winner & Honorable Mention with Roger Reeves
Festival Ballroom

Roger Reeves
Michelle Alexander
Raejeana Brooks

Black Poets of the American West: Voices from Beyond the (Continental) Divide
Multipurpose Room, Atlantic Union Bank Center

Camille Dungy
Sean Hill
Danusha Laméris
Rio Cortez

One Window's Light: A Chorus of Haiku

L. Teresa Church

5th Floor Seminar Room, Rose Library

Gideon Young
Sheila Smith McKoy
Crystal Simone Smith
Lenard Moore

Song of a Soul Sistah: A Film Screening & Panel Discussion
Conference Room 6, Festival

Rahnda Rize
Kimmika Williams-Witherspoon
Jaz
Pheralyn Dove

CONCURRENT SESSION 3 | FRIDAY SEPT. 20, 2024 | 8:15am-9:30am

PANELISTS/PERFORMERS

Non-Human Worlds: The Black Avant-Garde as Poetic Play
5th Floor Seminar Room, Rose Library

Constance Collier-Mercado
Ashia Ajani
Vincente Perez

Finding a Black South Aesthetic in the Ancestry of Dirt
Room 3311, Rose Library

Tyree Daye
Ra Malika Imhotep
Marlanda Dekine
Destiny Hemphill

The New Black Arts Movement
Alleghany Room, Festival

Heather Buchanan, Moderator
Keisha-Gaye Anderson
Elijah Pringle
Ewuare Osayande
Brian Gilmore

Utilizing Poetics to Transverse the Atlantic Divide
Conference Room 7, Festival

Tyrice Brown
Karla Brundage
Shawna Sherman
Quaye Kojo aka Sir Black

Black Poetic Experimentation Now
Multipurpose Room, Atlantic Union Bank Center

Lizzy LeRud
Ed Pavlić
Matt Sandler
Courtney Thorsson

Dear Yusef: Celebrating the Life & Work of Poet & Professor Yusef Komunyakaa
Festival Ballroom

Lynne Thompson
Nicole Sealey, Moderator
Joel Dias-Porter
Linda Susan Jackson
Dante Micheaux

Masters of Our Own Destiny: Black Poets & Professors on Institution Building & the Black MFA Experience
Highlands Room, Festival

Iman Byfield
April Gibson
Kelly Norman Ellis
Derrick Harriell

Poetry as Activism in Delaware: Poetic, Archival, & Activist Voices in Community
Room 3313, Rose Library

Traci Evadne Currie
Yalonde JD Green
Britney Henry
Jacinta Saffold

CONCURRENT SESSION 4 | FRIDAY SEPT. 20, 2024 | 9:45am- 11am

PANELISTS/PERFORMERS

A Time to Mourn: Black Elegies & Remembering
Alleghany Room, Festival

Kaylon Cannon
Sequoia Maner
JP Howard

Theorizing Otherwise: AfroFuturism, AfroPessimism, AfroSurrealism, AfroProphecy
Room 3313, Rose Library

Jon Woodson
Melane Ferdinand-King
Ajanae Dawkins
Zorina Frey

Black Lives, Black Archives
Room 3311, Rose Library

Rasaq Malik Gbolahan
Erica Cavanagh
Tyechia Thompson
keondra bills freemyn

I Can Move Through the World & Raise a Song: Studying the African American Persona Poem in the 21st Century
Highlands Room, Festival

Herman Beavers
Ryan Sharp
Patricia Smith

Walk With Me: Freedom Fighter's Homage
Festival Ballroom

Latorial Faison
Hermine Pinson
Leah Glenn
Steve A. Prince

Understudied & Misread: The Ongoing Work of De-Colonizing Literary Criticism
5th Floor Seminar Room, Rose Library

Abdul Ali
Megan Madramootoo
Traci Williams

Black Poetry | Public Spheres: Explorations & Intersections
Multipurpose Room, Atlantic Union Bank Center

Almas Khan
Ryan J. Petteway
Sarah Jenkins

Poetic Explorations of Afro-Diasporic Youth Un/Belonging in Australia
Conference Room 6, Festival

Denise Chapman
Melanie Baak
Manal Younus

CONCURRENT SESSION 5 | FRIDAY, SEPT. 20, 2024 | 2pm - 3:15pm

PANELISTS/PERFORMERS

Magnitude & Bond: A Preview of a Field Study on Black Literary Organizations
Festival Ballroom

Lisa Willis
Duriel E. Harris
Shelagh Patterson
Candace Wiley

Is Hope a Madness? An Interactive Panel Conjuring Aliveness in Times of Catastrophe
Room 3313, Rose Library

Umniya Najaer
Ra Malika Imhotep
Aurielle Marie

Poetics & Politics of the Unspoken: Mental Health, Trauma, & Resilience
Highlands Room, Festival

Robin Michel Caudell
Teri Elam
Yona Harvey
Amber Flora Thomas

Poetics of Black Ecology
Conference Room 7, Festival

Tyler Isaiah Campbell
Calvin Walds

Rachel Clifford

Controlled Burn: Making Poems, Shaping Books
Room 3311, Rose Library

M. Nzadi Keita
Tim Seibles
Tyehimba Jess

A Rainbow of Shadows: Black Autists Have Landed
5th Floor Seminar Room, Rose Library

Joel-Dias Porter
Lesile McIntosh
Said Shaiye
Shelley Nicole

Saying Anew: Reinterpreting Black Women's Poetry
Alleghany Room, Festival

Jessica Brofsky
Mariahadessa Ekere Tallie
Rony Bhopla
Brittany Rogers

Black Between the Lines
Multipurpose Room, Atlantic Union Bank Center

El Williams III
Tobi Kassim
Nick Makoha
Christian Campbell

White Pages: Black Experiments
Conference Room 6, Festival

Ryan Sharp
Lizzy LeRud & Jennifer Ryan-Bryant
Brittany Marshall
Hannah Loeb

CONCURRENT SESSION 6 | SATURDAY, SEPT. 21, 2024 | 8:15am-9:30am

PANELISTS/PERFORMERS

In Praise of Tribal/Indigenous Languages: Contemporary African Poets on Writing & Translating Poetry
Highlands Room, Festival

Chinua Ezenwa-Ohaeto
Rasaq Malik Gbolahan
Ber Anena
O-Jeremiah Agbaakin

The Umbra Galaxy
Room 3311, Rose Library

Tonya M. Foster
David Grundy
Jean-Phillipe Marcoux

Sister Scribes in The Sanctuary - Collard Greens, Griot, Platanos, Tamales
5th Floor Seminar Room, Rose Library

Badiana Badio
Debra Powell-Wright
Maricel Goris
Veronica Puente

(Sub)Verses Collective Voices & Shared Poetics Panel
Multipurpose Room, Atlantic Union Bank Center

Sheila Carter-Jones
Sierra Leone
Gwendolyn A. Mitchell
janera solomon

Homegoing, Home Gone: On Black Diaspora, Geographies, & Poetic Liminality
Conference Room 7, Festival

Kira Tucker
Michelle Oppong
Tramaine Suubi

Growing a New Garden: Furious Flowering in Classrooms
Festival Ballroom

Keisha-Gaye Anderson
Anastacia-Reneé
allia abduallah-matta
Hayes Davis
Carmin Wong
Teri Ellen Cross Davis

The Page vs. The Stage: A Dialogue Exploring Spoken Word, Poetry Slam, & the Racialization of Poetics in Academia
Conference Room 6, Festival

Imani Wallace
Steven Willis
Jahman Hill
Kwyn Riley

A Poignant Line: Black Queer Poets on Love

Alleghany Room, Festival

The Necessity of Want
Room 3313, Rose Library

Aurielle Marie
Courtney Faye Taylor
E. Hughes
W.J. Lofton

Brittany Rogers
m. mick powell
Jae Nichelle

CONCURRENT SESSION 7 | SATURDAY, SEPT. 21, 2024 | 12:30pm -1:45pm

PANELISTS/PERFORMERS

Confronting the Dead: Black Trans Poets & the Art of Accessing & Immortalizing Past Selves
Room 3313, Rose Library

Amari Amai
Avery Robinson
Maya Williams
Cai Rodrigues Sherley
Taylor Johnson

Black Buffalo Woman: The Poetry & Poetics of Lucille Clifton
Alleghany Room, Festival

Kazim Ali
Bettina Judd
William Fogarty
Marina Magloire

The Sisterhood: Documenting Histories of Black Women's Creative Networks
Room 3311, Rose Library

Opal Moore
Trudier Harris
Alexandria Russell
Meta DuEwa Jones
DaMaris Hill
Liseli Fitzpatrick

The Creativity of the Black Woman: From Phillis Wheatley to Margaret Walker to Today
Conference Room 7, Festival

Maryemma Graham
Ebony Lumumba
Airea D. Matthews
Robert Lockett

Editing African American Poetry Books
Conference Room 6, Festival

Joanne M. Braxton
David Grundy
Aldon Lynn Nielsen
Lauri Scheyer
A.B. Spellman
Laura Vrana

Readers, Publishers, & Paratexts: Mid-Twentieth Century Black Poetry & the World Beyond the Page
Multipurpose Room, Atlantic Union Bank Center

Joshua Kotin
Mollie Godfrey

Black Joy in Song
Festival Ballroom

Black Poetry in Community & Praxis
5th Floor Seminar Room, Rose Library

Kinohi Nishikawa
Ayesha Hardison

Sonya G. Baker
Albert Lee

Kadija George Sesay
Adrienne D. Oliver
Imani Wallace
Dorothea Smartt

CONCURRENT SESSION 8 | SATURDAY, SEPT. 21, 2024 | 2pm- 3:15pm

PANELISTS/PERFORMERS

A Vital History: The Cambridge Anthology Roundtable
Festival Ballroom

Keith D. Leonard
McKinley Melton
Meta DuEwa Jones
Marta Webanowska
Annette Debo
Carlyn Ferrari
Matt Sandler
Emily Ruth Rutter

Recovering Black Girl Poets
5th Floor Seminar Room, Rose Library

Katharine Capshaw
Rachel Conrad
LaKisha Michelle Simmons

Symbolizing Strategies: Encoding Blackness in Diasporic Black Poetry
Multipurpose Room, Atlantic Union Bank Center

isaiah a. hines
Jeannine M. Pitas
Barbara Gfoellner
Rachel Ansong

A Pursuit of Fugitive Choreographies: Poetics that Trouble the Line
Alleghany Room, Festival

Aurielle Marie
Danez Smith
Douglas Kearney
Joy Priest

In Focus: Close Reading Black Poets
Room 3313, Rose Library

Bartosz Wójcik
Renee M. Kingan
Shelagh Patterson

Black History in Poetry & the Visual Archive
Conference Room 7, Festival

Alison C. Rollins
Ashley E. Wynter
Tyree Daye

Embodied Archives: Exploring the Epistemologies of Black Underground Poetic & Cultural Movements

Conference Room 6, Festival

Intimate Inheritance & Uses of Poetry

Highlands Room, Festival

Niki Herd

Brad Waldron
jessica Care moore
Regina Brooks

Courtney Thorsson
Kevin Quashie
Anthony Reed
Laura Vrana