

# Archive 2015

**January 9, 2015**

**Facilitation Workshop**

**Hilo, HI**

Not my typical audience, and I'm pleased to join the [Hawaii Island Realtors Association](#) for their annual leadership event!

**January-March, 2015**

**San Marcos, CA: Social Advocacy**

As every spring, it's my pleasure to be in Southern California to teach in the graduate program in Sociological Practice. [Check out the program](#), if you're interested — you too could be joining me for 8 half day workshops on Social Advocacy at some point in the future...

**February 9, 2015**

**Cal State Los Angeles: [Summer Arts](#) program**

Do you know about the memoir course I'm offering in 2015? I'll be doing some classroom visits on February 9th to spread the word during this visit. If you're on that campus, let me know and I'll stop in...

**February 10, 2015**

**Cal State Los Angeles**

I'm pleased as punch to be performing [Becoming the Subject of Your Own Story](#) for the good people of Cal State LA.

**February 18, 2015**

**Cal State San Marcos**

The Arts and Lectures Series will present my [Gender, Race and Money](#) Lecture in the USU Ballroom. Get tickets here: <https://www.csusm.edu/al/calendar.html>. If you're a student or faculty member, your ticket is free!

**March 18, 2015**

**Westminster College**

**Salt Lake City, Utah**

I'm pleased to be performing [Becoming the Subject of Your Own Story](#) (rather than the Object of Another's Gaze) at 7:30 in the Dumke Student Black Box Theatre. This performance is free and open to the public. Come on down!

**March 21, 2015**

**Salt Lake City,**

**[Art Access workshop on Poetry, Performance and Politics](#)**

I'll drop in briefly to add something wonderful during a workshop led by the brilliant [Meg Day](#). Good times; looking forward to it.

**March 31, 2015**

**Bridgewater State University  
Bridgewater, MA**

I'll be performing "[Is that a Dude? Inside Lesbian Gender](#)" at this event. It's always a pleasure to tell some stories and talk about gender and sexuality with nice folks. Thanks [Bridgewater State](#).

**April 7-8, 2015**

**San Francisco Bay area campus visits for Cal State Summer Arts**

Do you know about Summer Arts? ([www.csusummerarts.org](http://www.csusummerarts.org)) Do you know about the memoir course I'm offering in 2015? I'll be doing some classroom visits to spread the word during this week at San Francisco State, San Jose State, Cal State East Bay and Cal State Monterey Bay. If you're on any of those campuses and would like me to stop into your classes, please let me know!

**April 12-20**

**Writing retreat at sea.**

Don't expect a reply. I'll have no internet and will be writing for 8 days, then on vacation for a week to follow!

**April 30, 2015**

**Storytelling (in English)**

**Barcelona, Spain**

Yes, it's a lesbian bar in Barcelona. Look for into on their [website](#).

**May 8-10, 2015**

**Blaney Spa and Yoga Center, Yoga for Every Body**

I'm thrilled to spend a weekend at [Blaney Spa and Yoga Centre](#) doing a all bodies retreat! I've taught yoga here before and it's a beautiful spot near Lough Erne. Retreat Intention: Joyful living in the body you have today, using yoga and storytelling as tools, ways to build balance, strength and flexibility in our bodies and in our lives. All bodies and all stories are welcome. Get more info and booking info [here](#).

**May 11, 2015**

**Portstewart, Northern Ireland**

**Spoken Word Feature, 9 p.m.**

Ah, it's a good old fashioned spoken word event called A Little of What You Fancy, and I'm the feature. It'll be at The Anchor Complex at 9 p.m. Check out [their Facebook page](#) and come on down.

**June 8-13, 2015**

**Kalani Honua Hawaii**

**[Yoga and Story: An All Bodies, All Stories Retreat](#)**

Facilitating the Yoga for Every Body retreat in June 2014 was seriously the highlight of my summer. And we're doing it again. You should be there; no lie. We'll use yoga and nature and beauty and wonder to explore the stories we carry and create in our bodies. All levels of fitness and yoga practice are welcome. There will be daily yoga and writing for exploration and swimming and storytelling and the sea and gorgeous food and and and. You won't believe your good fortune. (And if you live on Hawaii and don't need lodgings, kama 'aina rates are available.)

**June 20, 2015**

**Kalani Honua, HI**

**Healing the World, One Personal Story at a Time, 9-4 p.m. with [Stewart Blackburn](#)**

Stewart is the author of [The Skills of Pleasure](#) and he's a wonderful workshop facilitator too. We're teaming up for a workshop on storytelling. You totally want to be there - Kalani has great meals too. Stay for lunch or dinner.

**June 29- July 12 2015**

**[Cal State University Summer Arts](#)**

**Monterey Bay CA**

This is where you want to be. My course is called Memoir Writing: Explorations in Place, Memory, and Culture and the guest artists will wow you, no doubt. [Lidia Yuknavitch](#), [Lynda Barry](#), and [Jimmy Santiago Baca](#) will all be with us. Even if memoir's not your thing, apply for SOMETHING at [www.csusummerarts.org](http://www.csusummerarts.org). This is my favorite adult summer camp for creative people ever and I'm thrilled to be involved again!

**July 6, 2015**

**Cal State Monterey Bay World Theatre**

I'm hosting this evening primarily focused on the poetry, stories and mind-blowing moments with the inimitable [Jimmy Santiago Baca](#). [Jerry McGill](#) and I will open with some stories as well. Get tickets at [www.csusummerarts.org](http://www.csusummerarts.org)

**July 13-25, 2015**

**[Cal State University Summer Arts](#)**

**Monterey Bay, CA**

Okay, I'm staying on in Monterey after my course is finished to PARTICIPATE in the Poet's Metamorphosis course. Yes, Summer Arts is that rad.

**August 15, 2015**

**Hilo, HI Ku'ikahi Mediation Center workshop**

**"Becoming a Brilliant Bystander Facilitator"**

It's always my pleasure to work with Ku'ikahi. [Contact them](#) about this half day workshop.

**October 8-10, 2015**

**University of British Columbia, Vancouver BC**

**International Symposium on Poetic Inquiry**

I attended the inaugural ISPI symposium at UBC back in 2007 and have only missed one since. What an amazing group of scholars using poetry for a variety of purposes. I'll be telling stories and sharing "Bad Poetry About my Mother." You think I'm kidding, but ohhh, nooo.

**October 13, 2015**

**[The Narrators, Tiger Tiger](#)**

**San Diego, CA**

My friends have begun a storytelling event in San Diego and I'm so there for a story on this evening's

theme: “Creeps.” It’s a free show. Check out the [podcasts](#), too.

### **October 15, 2015**

#### **The Gayness: Love and Hate in America**

**11am, West Valley College, Saratoga California**

I don’t often get to talk about being gay so early in the day. Maybe I should take up coffee-drinking, like the rest of America. :::smile:::

### **October 16-17, 2015**

#### **Cal State Monterey Bay**

I’ll be meeting with the other Coordinators for [CSU Summer Arts](#) to plan for the 2016 program. I’m offering a course called Essay Writing: Public Issues and Personal Passions. You’ll want to be there...

### **October 25- November 6, 2015**

#### **[Dickinson House, Belgium, writing retreat](#)**

Isn’t this great that I’ll spend two weeks at this beautiful place, supported by a Raveel Grant? I sure think so; thanks so much.

### **November 12-15, 2015**

#### **Milwaukee, WI**

#### **[National Women’s Studies Association](#)**

I’m spending time (again) with the fabulous Fat Studies scholars and presenting a story on a panel called: *Spilling Over: Fat Bodies’ Refusal to be Contained*. C’mon down.

### **November 19-22, 2015**

#### **National Communication Association Conference**

Thank you, friends in performance studies, for your urging and opportunities. I’ve never been to this conference before; it’ll be a first. Talking about pedagogies of hope and fat sex. Not at the same time, of course...

### **December 4, 2015**

#### **10-3 West Hawaii Mediation Center Facilitator Training**

#### **Waikoloa, HI**

Always a pleasure to work with the fine folks who provide mediation services in the islands...

### **December 14-19, 2015**

#### **Kalani Honua Hawaii**

#### **[Yoga and Story: An All Bodies, All Stories Retreat](#)**

Yes, two yoga and writing retreats in one year. Come in June or December, or both. We’ll use yoga and nature and beauty and wonder to explore the stories we carry and create in our bodies. All levels of fitness and yoga practice are welcome. There will be daily yoga and writing for exploration and swimming and storytelling and the sea and gorgeous food and and and. You won’t believe your good fortune. (And if you live on Hawaii and don’t need lodgings, kama 'aina rates are available.)