

Literary Resume of Bernadette Lynn Wagner

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Writing and Editorial Background

Writing: 16 years, with experience in literary, magazine, newspaper, and online writing. Author of one poetry collection, seven poetry chapbooks, three blogs, articles in local and national periodicals. Poetry published in several literary journals and eight anthologies in Canada and the USA, broadcast on CBC Radio One, Radio Two, CBC-TV, CJTR Radio, and on film, CD and YouTube.

Editing: Editor, *Tales from the Lake: Stories, poems and whatnot inspired by Last Mountain Lake* (Upcoming); Editor, *A Fragmented history of Mental Health in Saskatchewan* (CMHA Sask, 2012). Editor of 15 poetry chapbooks (B Print Editions), several reports, briefs and newsletters.

Online Writing: Web manager for three blogs, occasional contributor to others including rabble.ca.

Teaching: Writer-in-Residence, Last Mountain Lake Cultural Centre; Mentor, CMHA Sask; Co-leader, Saskatchewan Writers Guild *Write Now!* youth writing workshop. Leader, several writing workshops including, *Create Your Own Blog*, *Making Peace With Earth*, and *In the Write Space*. Facilitator, Young Writers course, Regina Public Library. Facilitator, Writing an Artist Statement, Regina Food Bank. Guest author in Bethune, Canora, Melville, Regina Beach and Regina elementary schools, Campbell Collegiate, and University of Regina classes.

Memberships and Associations

Writing: League of Canadian Poets, Full Member, 2010 to 2013, Associate Member, 2002 to 2003, Feminist Caucus Moderator, AGM Session, 2002; The Writers Union of Canada, Member, 2010 to 2012; Cathedral Village Arts Festival, Co-Chair, 2013, Literary Co-ordinator, 2010 to present; Saskatchewan Writers Guild, Member, 1994 to present; *Grain Magazine*, Member, Advisory Committee, 2005 to 2007; Common Weal Community Arts Inc., Member, Board of Directors, 2005 to 2006; Judge, Acorn-Plantos Award for People's Poetry, 2005;

Social Justice: Sask Women's Forum, Connecting Women's Voices, Organizing Committee 2012-13; Abortion Rights Coalition of Canada, Member 2010 to present; Prairie Lily Feminist Society, Co-Founder, 2009; Regina MayDay Coalition, Organizing Committee, 2001 to 2004; Friends of the Regina Public Library, Co-Founder, 2003; Regina Peace Action Coalition, Founding Member, 2002.

Parent-based: Campbell & Area Music Parents Association, Communications Chair & Editor, CAMPA Notes, 2006 to 2008; Mes Ami(e)s en Francais Parent Co-operative, Board Member, 1995 to 1998; Cathedral Preschool Co-operative, Table Officer, 1994 to 1995.

Music: *Widening Embrace* recording project, Regional Song Leader (SK), 2010 to present; *My Heart is Moved* recording project, Singer, 2007 to 2008; Saskatchewan Singers of the Sacred Web, Member, 2000 to present. Teacher, introductory piano, 1980, 1990 to 1991.

Education & Training

Nonfiction: Canadian Mennonite University School of Writing, Creative Non-Fiction workshop, Myrna Kostash, 2011; SWG, *Once Upon a Life: A Memoir Workshop*, Lorri Neilsen Glenn, 2010.

Fiction: Banff Centre, *Writing With Style (Young Adult)* Arthur Slade, 2011; Manuscript Evaluation, Lois Simmie; RPL Writer in Residence Manuscript Evaluation, Terry Jordan; Sage Hill Writing Experience, Introduction to Writing Fiction & Poetry, Rosemarie Nixon & Bill Robertson, 1996; SWG, Introduction to Creative Writing, Dave Margoshes, 1995, 1993.

Poetry: Sage Hill Poetry Workshop, Elizabeth Bachinsky, 2010; The Erratics, Poetry Workshop, Dave Margoshes, 2008, Gerald Hill, 2006; Manuscript Evaluation, Jeanne-Marie de Moissac, 2005; Mysticism, Women & the Spoken Word, Diane di Prima, 2004; Spirituality, Poetry & Social Action, Margaret Dyment, 2004; Voice & Courage, Bruce Rice, 2004; Oral Poetry, Sheri-D Wilson, 2004; Essence and Embellishment, Mick Burrs, 2004; Work Poetry, Tom Wayman, 2003; Sage Hill Poetry Workshop, Betsy Warland, 2002; Mentorship Program for Emerging Writers, Gillian Harding Russell, 2002.

Voice: Sacred Web Sask., Carolyn McDade, 2001 to present, Norma Luccock, 2011, 2007

Readings, Performances & Collaborations

Spring 2013: Last Mountain Lake Cultural Centre, Regina Beach (upcoming); **Spring 2012:** LCP National Poetry Festival; Word-up Wednesday Slam Team Finals; Sask Festival of Words Poetry Slam; **Winter 2012:** Saskatchewan Council for International Co-operation Global Justice Poetry Slam; Word-up Wednesday Poetry Slam; Vertigo Reading Series; International Women's Day Celebration of Women & The Arts. **Fall 2011:** SWG Short Manuscript Awards Luncheon, Regina SK; Maritime Tour (Halifax NS, Charlottetown PEI, Fredericton NB); Emerging Artists' Reading, Ottawa ON; Writing With Style Student Readings, Banff, AB. **Spring 2011:** Aqua Books, Winnipeg MB; Art Bar, Toronto, The Bookroom, Windsor ON. **Fall 2010:** Ottawa ON, Moose Jaw SK. **Spring 2010:** Book launches, Regina, Saskatoon, Earl Grey, Prince Albert, North Battleford, Lumsden, Big River, Assiniboia SK, Winnipeg MB, Edmonton, Calgary, Cold Lake AB, Vancouver BC. **Other:** Vertigo Reading Series, Regina 2010, 2009; Prairie Lily Feminist Society Fundraising Dinner, Regina 2009; *Canadian Dimension* Gala, Regina 2008; Eco-Moms, Regina 2008; Cathedral Village Arts Festival, Regina 2011, 2008, 2005, 2001, 1995; B Print Editions Chapbook Launches, 2002-2007.

Host: Culture Days Poetry Slam, 2012; **Host:** Cathedral Village Arts Festival Poetry Slam, 2012 **Host:** International Women's Day Celebration of The Arts, 2012; **Soloist:** Private event, 2011; **Host:** Cathedral Village Arts Festival Poetry Slam, Regina 2011; **Host:** Word on the Street, Calgary; **Duet:** Regina Folk Festival Daytime Stage, 2007; **Duet:** Briarpatch Magazine Benefit; **Soloist:** Singing Our Way Home: A Gathering of Women, Regina 2007.

Soul Sisters, Music & Poetry with **Dawn Alexis**, Musician; *Consumerism*, Poetry & Art with **Barbara Vance Mader**, Painter & Print-maker; *The Elm Dance : after deer valley*, Poetry & Art with **Barbara Vance Mader**, Painter & Print-maker; *Ceres*, Poetry & Clay with **Cara Gay Driscoll**, Ceramic Artist.

Awards

Writer-in-Residence, Last Mountain Lake Cultural Centre. **Participant**, Saskatchewan Writers / Artists Retreats, 1998 to 2013. **Finalist**, WUW Regina Slam Team. **First Place**, 2011 SWG Short Manuscript Award for Children's Literature. **Recipient**, 2011 Canada Council Emerging Artist's Award (Children's Literature). **Nominee**, 2010 Saskatchewan First Book Award. **First Place**, 2008 Best Environmental Feminist blog. **Nominee**, 2007 Lefty's blog award. **Recipient**, 2007 Imminent Travel Assistance Grant, Saskatchewan Arts Board. **Slam Champion**, Cathedral Village Arts Festival, 2005; **Recipient**, 2003 Individual Assistance Award (Poetry), Saskatchewan Arts Board. **Recipient**, 2002 Sage Hill Writing Experience W. O. Mitchell Bursary Award. **Finalist**, 2002 Sandburg-Livesay poetry award. **Slam Champion**, SWG Erotic Poetry Slam, 1995. **Recipient**, 1996 Sage Hill Writing Experience Jerry Rush Scholarship.