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12x Published poet and professional writer and editor with a meticulous attention to detail and an eye for design.

Featured storyteller, reader, and poet at events throughout the state of New Hampshire.

HIGHLIGHTS

Nominated for Best of the Net 2013 by *Metazen* for poem "Obsession as Artichoke." Poems "Meditate" and "Lake Massabesic," respectively, featured in the 2013 AWP Issue anthology by *Extract(s)* and selected by *Compass Rose* as Editors' Choice.

Read select poems alongside the late New Hampshire poet laureate Walter E. Butts, as well as the former poet laureate of Connecticut Dick Allen, at Poetry AND Politics.

EDUCATION

**Master of Fine Arts
Creative Writing Poetry**
New England College | 2012

**Bachelor's Degree
Creative Writing Poetry**
Chester College of New England | 2008

PUBLICATIONS, INTERVIEWS, AND FEATURE ARTICLES

"Prepping for winter"

The Concord Monitor | October 2018

"How Poets Celebrate National Poetry Month"

NH Writer, New Hampshire Writers' Project | April 2013

"NiNi Bambini center holds grand opening"

The Bedford Journal | October 2012

"Police, residents initiate neighborhood watch"

The Bedford Journal | October 2012

"MFA Graduate Redefines Community in New Hampshire's North Country"

Today Magazine, New England College | October 2012

"Dance to Freelance"

Today Magazine, New England College | October 2012

"From Open Mic to MFA: Lea Deschenes Talks About Her Transition in Poetry"

Today Magazine, New England College | October 2012

"Recovery after fire at Perry Hill Farm"

The Bedford Journal | September 2012

"Bedford student reaches National Geographic Bee Top 10"

The Bedford Journal | June 2012

"Bask on the Frost Place Porch: An Interview with Maudelle Driskell"

NH Writer, New Hampshire Writers' Project | April 2012

"Scanlon, Greiner take Bullock to task during press conference"

The Bedford Journal | March 2012

"NEC Professor Shares Her Insight on Foster Care at Global Roundtable"

Today Magazine, New England College | October 2011

"NEC Professors Bring Shakespeare Into the Present"

Today Magazine, New England College | October 2011

"NEC Earns \$650,000 Grant: Three Professors to Conduct Biomedical Research"

Today Magazine, New England College | October 2011

"Psychology of a Positive Attitude"

Today Magazine, New England College | October 2011

AS SEEN PUBLISHED IN...

Ad Hoc Monadnock
Amoskeag
The Bedford Journal via The
Nashua Telegraph
Big Lucks
Chester College of New
England Admissions 9-Month
School Year Student Calendar
Compass Rose
The Concord Monitor
Extract(s)
The Henniker Review
Metazen
NH Writer
OVS Magazine
Petrichor Machine
The Scapegoat Review
Today Alumni Magazine
The Tower Journal,

including articles picked up by
the National Institutes of
Health and Dartmouth College.

PUBLICATIONS CONTINUED...

"Sangha, or the Need to Connect with Other Writers" an interview with poet Anne Waldman, as transcribed by Dawn Coutu

NH Writer; New Hampshire Writers' Project | August 2011

"Digital Poetry: Q&A with Mary Ann Sullivan"

NH Writer; New Hampshire Writers' Project | April 2011

"Making Connections at Writers' Day: A Doorknob, Turned"

NH Writer; New Hampshire Writers' Project | November 2010

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Presented publishing tips for writers

New Hampshire Writers' Project

- Co-taught the topic "Venues for Your Work," a 45-minute presentation at Author and Poet School, at the Nackey S. Loeb School of Communications.

Lectured on the craft of poetry

New England College

- Gave a 45-minute lecture on the subject of "Christian Bök's book *Eunoia* as a Poetic Resource," followed by a highly engaged Q&A session and subsequent conversation.

Tutored in creative writing

Private Clients | Subjects: Creative Writing, English, and Critical Thinking

- Created a customized lesson plan for high school student, focused on strengthening their weaknesses over the summer-long tutoring session, meeting 1:1 twice a week. Engaged student by reading banned books, creating personalized word search puzzles with weekly vocabulary, and asking them questions about the material in order to make unusual connections between the material and their interest in sports. At the end of the summer session, their parents were amazed that he didn't complain at all, not even once, even though English was his weakest subject at the time. 100% success rate with super happy clients.
- Tutored adult over several months of biweekly sessions, focused on how to write creatively and how to "spice up" their personal writing.

Taught elementary and middle school grades

New Hampshire School System

- Repeatedly asked back for new assignments, after leaving detailed notes for each teacher. Successfully taught students in grades 3 through 6.