

Favorite Poets

- Free K
- Lyrical Faith
- Jennifer N
- Eboni
- Kyla Jenêe Lacey
- Ayanna Florence

Channels

- Def Jam
- Slam Find
- Button Poetry
- Write About Now
- Youth Speaks
- Voices in Power
- Poetry me, please

General Poetry

- ▶ "Queen shit" x Free.K x @wanpoetry
- ▶ Free.K - "Shelf life" @WANPOETRY (Black Open Mic 22)
- ▶ UChicago Charter - Woodson - Oratory 2016
- ▶ Rashad Wright - intro
- ▶ Deep: "Open Classroom" (Where tf do you fit in, Politics,
- ▶ Danny B. - "My Father" @ Voices In Power | Philadelphia | Spoken Word Poetry (Fatherhood, Daddy)
- ▶ Ayanna Florence - "Namesake" @ Voices In Power | Philadelphia | Spoken Word Poetry
- ▶ CBLKev - Always Find A Way

Mental Health/Life Skills/Relationships

- ▶ Kyla Jenêe Lacey - "Depression is a House" @WANPOETRY
- ▶ Maui - Invisible Girl
- ▶ Crystal Valentine & Aaliyah Jihad - Hide Your Shea Butter
- ▶ Ayanna Florence - "Intrusive Thoughts" @CharmCitySlam (Oct '23)
- ▶ Jennifer N - Steps on how to love me correctly (Profanity, Love, Anxiety, and Relationships,)
- ▶ PoetryLived - "Hey Girl" @WANPOETRY (Depression, Struggle, Pain, Upliftment, You Matter)
- ▶ "man in the mirror" x A spoken word artist x @wanpoetry (Depression, Suicide, Long Metaphor, Getting through)
- ▶ Free.K - "V.I.C." @wanpoetry

- [▶ This mouth, this body, this being, is an act of rebellion | DC Youth Slam Team | TE...](#)
- [▶ Blaqwildflowr - Undeclared \(Abuse, Religion, Depression\)](#)
- [▶ Just A Friend || Spoken Word || Sophia Thakur x Chozen](#)
- [▶ Lyrical Faith - "Lay My Edges" @WANPOETRY](#)
- [▶ Ebony Stewart - Mental Health Barz](#)
- [▶ Steven Willis - Instead of a Suicide Note, I Wrote This \(Suicide,](#)
- [▶ This Is What It Feels Like To Be Depressed \(Suicide, LETting Go of Lonliness,](#)
- [▶ Nayo Jones - "Healing" \(Suicide,](#)
- [▶ "I'm Learning" x Mello x @wanpoetry \(Grief, Losing a mom\)](#)

Blackness

- [▶ R.J. Wright + Xach Blunt - "I'm So Black" @WANPOETRY \(NPS CYPHER 2017\)](#)
- [▶ Ebony Stewart - Burnt Sugar \(Colorism\)](#)
- [▶ YOU SO BLACK Theresa tha SONGBIRD BOUNCE TV 2019 TRUMPET AWAR...](#)
- https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NbEiLHSD6Mo&list=TLPQMTExMTIwMjOFqihsuKLWug&index=7&ab_channel=poetryme%2Cplease
- [▶ Neil Israel - When a Black Man Walks](#)

Black Joy & Black Beauty

- [▶ UChicago Charter - Woodson - Oratory 2016](#)
- [▶ PoetryLived - "Ain't that like Black" @WANPOETRY](#)
- [▶ YOU SO BLACK Theresa tha SONGBIRD BOUNCE TV 2019 TRUMPET AWARDS](#)
- [▶ "Curlfriends" x Kyla Jenée Lacey x @wanpoetry](#)

Black Feminism

- [▶ "Shoot Your Shot" Team Chicago • Brave New Voices 2019](#)
- [▶ Shanelle - Just Shine Black girl Shine, Workforce Bigotry](#)
- [▶ Dominique Christina - "Mothers of Murdered Sons"](#)
- [▶ 2018 Women of the World Poetry Slam - Melania Luisa "Mad" \(Tensions w/ White womanhood, Anger\)](#)
- [▶ Maui - Invisible Girl](#)
- [▶ SURA ALI - BLACK BODIES \(NYC, The media, self-image, oversexualization\)](#)
- [▶ Deep: "Open Classroom"](#)
- [▶ "BOY MATH" x Cari Jané x @wanpoetry](#)
- [▶ Ayanna Florence - Boy Calls Me Pretty](#)
- [▶ SURA Ali - My Ode to Black Girls \(Profanity, Colorism, Beauty, Black Womanhood, Authentic Tone\)](#)
- [▶ Russell Simmons Presents Brave New Voices | "That Girl" | HBO \(Relationship Trauma, Hiding Love,](#)

- [▶ Kai Davis - "For Bigoted Black Men" \(BABEL Legacy '18\)](#)
- [▶ IWPS Finals 2014 - Porsha O. "Angry Black Woman"](#)
- [▶ Keyma Flight - Birth of a Nation](#)
- [▶ Brandon Alexander Williams - "Black Women Studies" @WANPOETRY](#)
- [▶ Alysha Wise - "To Black Women" | All Def Poetry x Da Poetry Lounge | All Def P...](#)
- [▶ Kai Davis, Nayo Jones & Jasmine Combs - Sandra Bland](#)
- [▶ This mouth, this body, this being, is an act of rebellion | DC Youth Slam Team | TE...](#)
- [▶ Tianna Bratcher - "This Be the Rebellion of My Hips" \(Profanity, Sexualization, Reclaiming Power\)](#)
- [▶ 2016 - Brave New Voices - Grand Slam Finals: Atlanta \(Build a Bitch, Bitches,](#)
- [▶ Blaqwildflowr - Undeclared \(Abuse, Religion, Depression\)](#)
- [▶ Ebony Stewart - Burnt Sugar](#)
- [▶ 2016 - Brave New Voices - Grand Slam Finals: Chicago "Femicide"](#)
- [▶ K Love the Poet at A Love Jawn | Voices In Power | Philly 2023 \(Sisterhood, Love, Husbands, Black Love, Revolution, Black REvolutionary Love\) h](#)
- [▶ Alysia Harris - "Guinness Skin"](#)

Education

- [▶ Deep: "Open Classroom"](#)
- [▶ Lacey Roop - "Education" @WANPOETRY](#)
- [▶ 2016 NPS Finals - House Slam - Ashley Davis & Oompa "Simon Says"](#)

Racism

- [▶ Free.K - "Shelf life" @WANPOETRY \(Black Open Mic 22\) '](#)
- [▶ NPS 2016 Finals - San Diego - Rudy Francisco "Adrenaline Rush" \(Police\)](#)
- [▶ Steven Willis - The Hustle Speaks \(drugs,](#)
- https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=d5jI6KDI4Jc&list=TLPQMxMTIwMjPrAPEZ6XjFhQ&index=2&ab_channel=ButtonPoetry (BLM, Long Metaphor, Teacher)
- [▶ Lady Brion - "Starbucks is Coming For Me" @WANPOETRY \(Housing, Gentrification](#)
- [▶ Elisabet Valesquez - "New Brooklyn" \(#PoetsForPuertoRico\)](#)
- [▶ Ephraim Nehemiah - "Poverty On A First Name Basis" @WANPOETRY](#)
- [▶ Kyla Jenee Lacey - "White Privilege" @WANPOETRY](#)
- [▶ Kyla Jenée Lacey - "White Privilege" @WANPOETRY](#)
- [▶ 2017 - Brave New Voices - Detroit - "Black Nerd Problems"](#)
- [▶ "White House not a home" x UC.Jae x @wanpoetry](#)
- [▶ Crystal Valentine "If Gentrification Was a Broom Then..." - ALL DEF POETRY | A...](#)
- [▶ Cristina Martinez - "Chicana" @WANPOETRY \(UNOFFICIAL NPS CYPHER 2016\)](#)

Family

- [▶ "My Mama SO loud" x Free.K x @wanpoetry](#)
- [▶ Zariya Allen \(Dad, Anger, Sadness,](#)

Language

- ▶ "May Pen" x Sherrika Mitchell x @wanpoetry
- ▶ Lady Brion - "I talk Black" @WANPOETRY (WOWPS CYPHER 2018)
- ▶ 2017 - Brave New Voices - Bay Area "Black Poetry"

Love, & Joy

- ▶ R.J. Wright + Xach Blunt - "I'm So Black" @WANPOETRY (NPS CYPHER 2017)
- https://youtu.be/5j_WG-opz_I?si=3rzR52-0ZqzqSUqX

Love & Pain

- ▶ PoetryLived - "Ain't that like Black" @WANPOETRY
- ▶ Maui - Your Soul is Shallow
- ▶ Matt Capone - "My Man, My Man, My Man"

Latine Poetry

- ▶ Cristina Martinez - "Chicana" @WANPOETRY (UNOFFICIAL NPS CYPHER 2016)
- ▶ Chicanismo by Manuel Gonzalez.mpg
- ▶ Xavier CoolKid - "Latin Boys Don't Cry" @WANPOETRY (TGS 2017) (Masculinity, Crying)
- ▶ José Olivarez - "Mexican-American Disambiguation" (Americanness and Mexicaness)
- ▶ Joaquin Zihuatanejo - "19 Mexicans" @WANPOETRY (Migration, Death,)
- ▶ Paola Gonzalez & Karla Gutierrez - At The Wall, US/Mexican Border, Texas, 2020
- ▶ Melissa Lozada-Oliva - My Spanish
- ▶ Melissa Lozada-Oliva - "How To Survive The Zombie Apocalypse As An 82 year old Guate..."
- ▶ National Poetry Slam 2015 Finals - Melissa Lozada Oliva "Like, Totally Whatever"

Death

- ▶ 2016 - Brave New Voices - Grand Slam Finals: Chicago "Femicide"

Gun Violence/ The Hustle

- ▶ Louder Than a Bomb - The Steinmenauts
- ▶ Steven Willis - The Hustle Speaks
- ▶ "Shots Fired" by Get Lit (Brave New Voices)
- ▶ 2016 - Brave New Voices - Grand Slam Finals: Chicago

Politics

- ▶ "49 Seconds" by Team Nashville (Brave New Voices 2023) (society)

<https://youtu.be/cnoUXTGJvym0?si=5WPiWkR9r4iQ5i6u> (Christianity, Jesus was not American)

- ▶ Jahman Hill - Slavery, Freedom, and Authority
- ▶ Crystal Valentine & Aaliyah Jihad - Hide Your Shea Butter (Cultural Appropriation)
- ▶ Juneteenth - Christian Paige
- ▶ This mouth, this body, this being, is an act of rebellion | DC Youth Slam Team | TEDxFogg...
- ▶ Movement: Minor Disturbance at TEDxMileHigh
- ▶ "Black-Bird" by Team Nashville (Brave New Voices 2023)
- ▶ "The Artist Circle" Sura Ali (Slave)
- ▶ Lauryn Hill - Motives and Thoughts HD (Def Jam,)
- ▶ Muna Abdulahi - Pronounce Us Correctly (Islamophobia,
- ▶ 2016 - Brave New Voices - Grand Slam Finals: Twin Cities
- ▶ 2016 - Brave New Voices - Grand Slam Finals: Baltimore (BLM, Black bodies, Civil Rights, Gun Violence, Resistance)

Prisons and Policing

- ▶ Camron Lee Recites "War on Black Boys"
- ▶ Ephraim Nehemiah - "Battle Rap From The Prison Industrial Complex" @WANPOETRY
- ▶ "Black-Bird" by Team Nashville (Brave New Voices 2023)
- ▶ Proving there is life after prison one poem at a time | Lady Unchained | TEDxLondonWomen

Gender & Sex, Masculinity

- ▶ Xavier CoolKid - "Latin Boys Don't Cry" @WANPOETRY (IGS 2017)
- ▶ NPS 2018 Finals - Lindsay Young - "Queerphobic"
- ▶ 2016 - Queeriosity - "Straight People" by Maya
- ▶ Team Tampa "Toxic Masculinity" | Brave New Voices 2019 (Manhood, Masculinity, Emotions)
- ▶ Alesha - Go Black Girl (To Be Black and Women, #now, Go)
- ▶ Jennifer N - Enough (Slam Competition // 1st Round) (Abortion, Sexed,)

Slavery, Race, Racism and White-supremacy

- ▶ "The Artist Circle" Sura Ali
- ▶ Jahman Hill - Slavery, Freedom, and Authority
- ▶ Spoken Word Poetry | Post Traumatic Slave Syndrome
- ▶ "49 Seconds" by Team Nashville (Brave New Voices 2023)
- ▶ Justice Tatum - New Religion (When did Murder become the new religion? (Gun Violence)
- ▶ Lauryn Hill - Motives and Thoughts HD
- ▶ Versiz: "Do You Know Why I Pulled You Over?" (Police, Antiracism)
- ▶ NPS 2016 Finals - San Diego - Rudy Francisco "Adrenaline Rush"
- ▶ Crystal Valentine - Little Known Fact

 2016 - Brave New Voices - Grand Slam Finals: Twin Cities

- ▶ "Black-Bird" by Team Nashville (Brave New Voices 2023)
- ▶ 2015 - Brave New Voices (Finals) - "Emmett" by Philadelphia Team (Death, Emmitt Till, Black Boyhood)
- ▶ SURA Ali - My Ode to Black Girls

To Watch:

- ▶ "49 Seconds" by Team Nashville (Brave New Voices 2023)
- ▶ K Love The Poet - Million Dollar Melanin
- ▶ Sonia Sanchez "Put on the sleeves of love."
- ▶ "White House not a home" x UC.Jae x @wanpoetry
- ▶ Chicago poetry phenom takes the stage]
- ▶ Black Chakra - "Running Through Graveyards (Blindspotting)" @WANPOETRY (TGS 2018)

Speeches

[J. Cole Gives Song Writing Advice! - YouTube](#)

- ▶ "The Revolution Will Not Be Televised" - Gil Scott-Heron
- https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TOaRgKHnoqc&t=111s&ab_channel=QRMUW
- ▶ Lauryn Hill: Motivational RARE Footage
 - ▶ BLACK PANTHERS: Huey Newton x Bobby Seale
 - ▶ Angela Davis on Violence, Protest and "Defending Gains of the People" – Black Journal
 - ▶ Using your voice is a political choice | Amanda Gorman
 - ▶ Gil Scott Heron On blues and poetry
 - ▶ Lauryn Hill-Middle School Speech 2016 (Original Version)
 - ▶ Michelle Obama: Last Official Speech as First Lady
 - ▶ Dr. Bettina Love on Cultural Memory in Youth Creativity and Hip Hop
 - ▶ James Baldwin - Pin Drop Speech
 - ▶ Famous Malcolm X speech "Any means necessary"
 - ▶ Fred Hampton on Revolution And Racism
 - ▶ Maya Angelou's 1992 Commencement Address at Spelman College