

CURRICULUM VITAE

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Summary of Interests and Skills

I enjoy writing, teaching, public speaking, leadership, and event-planning for non-profit organizations. In addition to writing journalistic pieces and creative non-fiction, I also have experience writing narrative for grant proposals, speeches, and press releases.

Education

- **Masters of Fine Arts in Writing** – October 2003, Spalding University, Louisville, Kentucky.
- **Master of Social Work** – December 1980, University of Iowa, Iowa City, Iowa.
- **Bachelor of Arts in Social Work** – June 1977, University of Iowa, Iowa City, Iowa.

Professional Experience

- **Instructor and Sole Proprietor** of Shape & Flow Writing Services, June 2012 to present.
- **Part Time Faculty, Department of Liberal Studies**, Spalding University, Louisville, Kentucky, November 2003 to present.
- **Adjunct Faculty, School of Social Work**, Spalding University, Louisville, Kentucky, February 2004 to present.
- **Freelance Writer**, Louisville, Kentucky, September 2000 to present.
- **Psychiatry Triage Coordinator**, Norton Hospital Psychiatric Clinic, Louisville, Kentucky, September 1993 to January 1997.
- **Social Worker, Visiting Nurse Association**, Louisville, Kentucky, August 1988 to June 1989.
- **Social Worker, University of Hospitals and Clinics**, Burn Trauma Center and Emergency Room, Iowa City, Iowa, January 1981 to January 1986.
- **Social Worker, St. Luke's Hospital**, Davenport, Iowa, June 1977 to August 1979.

Scholarship

- **“Writing as a Social Work Practice Skill,”** a journal article co-authored with Spalding University MSW Director, Erlene Grise-Owens, published in the Fall 2013 issue of the *Journal of Social Work Education*.
- **“The Importance of Self-Expression in Zora Neale Hurston’s Folklore and Fiction,”** An extended critical essay submitted in partial fulfillment of the requirements of the Masters in Fine Arts Degree, March 2003.
- **“Seized by the Spirit,”** A creative thesis submitted in partial fulfillment of the requirements of the Masters Degree in Fine Arts Degree, September 2003.
- **“Characteristics of Burn-Injured Children Reported for Child Abuse and Neglect,”** a research paper presented to the Fifteenth Annual American Burn Association meeting, New Orleans, Louisiana, March 1985.
- **“Marital Satisfaction of the Post-Rehabilitation Burn Patient,”** The Journal of Occupational Health Nursing, July 1983.
- **“Marital Satisfaction of the Post-Rehabilitation Burn Patient,”** a research paper presented to the Thirteenth Annual American Burn Association meeting, Orlando, Florida, March 1983.

Honors and Awards

- **Mother Catherine Spalding Social Ministries Award,** Cathedral of the Assumption, Louisville, Kentucky 2010
- **Second Place,** Society for Professional Journalists, Louisville Chapter, for a feature-article, “Infused with Joy,” for Today’s Woman Magazine, June 2009.
- **Second place,** Society for Professional Journalists, Louisville Chapter, June 2006, for an article titled, “A Woman’s Place,” for Today’s Woman Magazine, May 2005.
- **First place,** Society for Professional Journalists, Louisville Chapter, June 2004 for a profile of a female Navy reservist, titled “The World on Her Shoulders,” Today’s Woman Magazine, February 2003.
- **First place,** Society for Professional Journalists, Louisville Chapter, June 2002, for a profile of a civil rights activist, titled “The Power of Conviction,” Today’s Woman Magazine, October 2001.
- **Second place,** Society for Professional Journalists, Louisville Chapter, June 2001, for an article about adolescent girls and their mothers, titled “Releasing Rapunzel,” Today’s Woman Magazine, September 2000

Community & Professional Service

- **President, Louisville Literary Arts**, beginning January 2014.
Chairperson, Spirit Ball fundraiser for the Conrad-Caldwell House Museum, Louisville, Kentucky, October 2012 & 2013
- **Board Member**, Louisville Literary Arts, beginning 2012
- **Vice-Chair**, Parish Council, Cathedral of the Assumption, Louisville, Kentucky, March 2010 to February 2013
- **Chairperson**, St. James Art Show High School Scholarship Competition, October 2009 through October 2012
- **Chairperson**, Social Concerns Committee, Cathedral of the Assumption, February 2007 to February 2013
- **President**, Board of Directors, Help Ministries of Central Louisville, Inc., Louisville, Kentucky, June 2000 to June 2003.
- **Troop Leader**, Girl Scouts of America, Louisville, Kentucky, 1997 through 2001.
- **President**, Harvey Browne Presbyterian Women, 2002- 2004
- **Officer**, Board of Directors, Iowa Chapter NASW, Des Moines, Iowa, August 1984 to June 1986.