

# 2020 Legislative Questionnaire

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## CANDIDATE CERTIFICATION

Candidate Name:

Office Sought: State Legislator

I have read the attached questionnaire responses and certify that the information provided is accurate and the opinions stated accurately reflect my own positions.

Candidate Signature: (

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- What, if any, elected or appointed government office(s) have you held, including the one you're seeking?
   None
- 2. If you have previously held a government office:
  - a. What are the primary issue areas in which you were involved?
  - b. What committees, caucuses or working groups have you served on? Does not apply.
- 3. What community or policy issues have you worked on, and in what capacity, outside of government? (Please provide the names of two or three individuals who can provide information about your previous work.)

Public Education, Arts and Culture, Positive Youth Development, Social Justice, Community Inclusion in Neighborhood Development.

Irv Akelsberg, Loretta Witt, Bill Ewing

4. Please provide copies of all your significant campaign materials, including position papers, and information on your campaign strategy, expected funding sources, and endorsements.

Under separate cover.

5. What is your plan to win this race.

To utilize a data driven grassroots strategy that focuses on the pertinent issues - going door to door, block to block and person to person.

#### **ISSUES**

Please note: Although many of the following questions may be answered "yes" or "no" you should feel free to elaborate if doing so would provide a clearer statement of your position. If you believe you do not have enough information to answer a question, or have not formed an opinion, please say so.

#### I. OVERALL

What would be your three highest priorities as a legislator? Explain.

Saving Public Education, Increasing the minimum wage and stemming the gun violence that plagues communities across the commonwealth.

#### II. Education

- 1) Do you believe public college, or community college, should be tuition free? Yes. Absolutely. College debt is a strain on community wealth.
- 2) What role do you believe standardized tests should play in evaluating teachers, schools and students, if any?
  - Data indicates that standardized tests are culturally biased. Teachers are underpaid, under-resourced and teach in overcrowded classrooms. With the lack of academic, administrative, and social/community support, it is unfair to evaluate teachers with standardized testing. These tests do not necessarily capture a student's academic growth or development. Once adequate resources are afforded to all public schools and teachers enjoy the benefit of these resources, then standardized tests can be part of an evaluation equation.
- 3) What factors do you believe should be considered in determining *overall* levels of school funding in the Commonwealth, and funding per school district?
  - All students across the commonwealth of PA deserve a high quality public education. Funding should be equitable across the state and districts should receive adequate resources based upon the needs of the schools and district. Because teachers do a great job under difficult conditions, they should be paid accordingly (higher pay). A formula that works, where every entity pays their fair share to contribute to the education of our youth.
- 4) Approximately 33% of Philadelphia students are enrolled in charter schools. What is your position on the expansion of charter schools? Should they be given public money via vouchers or similar programs (like ESAs)? What role do you think public schools play in our city?

There should be a freeze on public school expansion, so as to commit our efforts to fixing this fatally flawed funding formula and work on increasing teacher pay, reducing class size, re-installing high functioning libraries with librarians, and the provision of the arts and extra curricular programs and activities that address the student. I am against the privatization of public schools, under any name, and public dollars must be spent on public schools! Public schools are the building block of thriving neighborhoods and communities, and are the churning force of the economy.

## III. Budget and Taxes

- Do you support a Constitutional Amendment to permit progressive taxation in PA, in whole or part?
   I would support a Constitutional Amendment to support a progressive tax structure in PA. Considering that America and PA effectively operates within a regressive tax structure that perpetuates gross income inequality, a progressive tax would provide relief to the less wealthy and mandate that those who make more, pay more.
- 2) Would you support raising the tax on unearned income as a way to increase state revenue without increasing burdens on working people? Yes, although, with a formula that didn't place an unfair burden on the poor who receive minimal gifts or family endowments.
- 3) What changes if any would you support in corporate net income tax levels?

The PA corporate net income tax is one of the highest in the nation, however, with loopholes, etc, the question is: "Who is really paying their fair share of taxes?"

- 4) What changes, if any, would you support in the personal income tax? A progressive income tax would work well for PA workers.
- 5) Do you support full elimination of the Delaware loophole?
  Absolutely! The Delaware loopholes provides a hiding place for wealth and profits, while robbing states of needed tax money that can be used for education, public services, etc.
  - 6) Do you support a tax on fracking, and at what level?
    First, I am against Fracking. Understanding the reality, there should be a tax on the extraction of natural resources. And probably other stuff.
  - 7) Do you support the Keystone Opportunity Zone program? Would you introduce legislation to eliminate it, or to limit the number of times a parcel's KOZ designation can be renewed or extended? More generally, do you support tax breaks to lure or retain businesses?

We need tax breaks for families who have lived in and paid taxes to PA for generations! Tax breaks for corporations have run its course. PA families and workers need relief. Keystone Opportunity Zones were designed to attract development to "underdeveloped communities" thereby having a positive economic impact. It has quickly resulted in corporations taking advantage of tax breaks, increasing profits and, in-effect, robbing communities of wealth. We have to at least eliminate the extensions and seriously consider eliminating it all together.

## IV. Public Banking

Would you support the creation of a Pennsylvania Public Bank, modeled after <u>the Bank of North Dakota?</u>

Yes! Public banks work in the interest of the public good and are used to invest in localities, thus increasing community services and wealth.

## V. Women's Rights

- 1) Do you believe there should be any restrictions on a woman's right to choose? If so, what? None, whatsoever!
- 2) What additional protections should be enacted into law to protect women's health care? Women have the right to choose and have access to birth control and abortions.
  - 3) Would you support proposals to ensure that women and men working in the Commonwealth receive equal pay for equal work?
    - Equal work for equal pay is long overdue....
  - 4) Do you support legislation to protect individuals against sexual assault? Absolutely! No gray area.

#### VI. Children and Families

- 1) Should the state require businesses to provide paid family leave? Yes.
- 2) Should the state provide universal availability of affordable child care? If yes, how would you achieve this? Yes Early child care should be free, however, affordable childcare is a must. Parents are burdened with an oppressive minimum wage that makes it impossible to afford childcare. So, if possible, the living wage and affordable childcare should be packaged in a single bill, to start. Then we have to build the legislative consensus and relationships to lead on this issue.

#### VII. Environment

- 1) What measures, if any, would you support to move PA off its reliance on fossil fuels and expand use of renewable energy sources? Climate change is a scientific reality. We have to make it untenable and "taxing" for the continued use of fossil fuels, so as to encourage the transition to renewable energy sources.
- 2) Do you support a ban on fracking in whole or part? In whole.
- 3) Do you think Philadelphia should be compelled or induced to sell PGW? Compelled or induced. Whatever works to get the sale.
- 4) The Philadelphia Chamber of Commerce advocates converting Philadelphia into an "energy hub" for oil and natural gas, or the "Houston of the East Coast." Do you agree or disagree with this vision?

Don't want to be the "Houston of the East Coast." I am not to familiar with this model, however, Philadelphia should lead the nation in utilizing energy sources that are renewable and reduce carbon emissions.

5) What, if any, other measures would you support to preserve or improve our environment? (water issues, park preservation, detoxification of school buildings, etc.)

All of the above. We must protect our water source, conduits and residents from harmful contaminants(consider Flint Michigan). We must encourage and foster the greening of public spaces with increased funding, and all of the school buildings must be examined and made free from hazardous and airborne matreials.

## **VIII. Criminal Justice**

- 1) Should stop and frisk be limited or outlawed? Outlawed. Period. It is racist and discriminatory.
- How would you deal with the problem of mass incarceration of minorities, particularly minority youth?
   PA and America's criminal justice system must be overhauled.
- 3) Should marijuana be legalized for recreational use? Not at all (and i think this is not in line with your position). I have watched a few generations of young folks, particularly African American youth, totally get lost in the haze of marijuana use. The criminalization of it is another story and is. Medicinal cannabis, I am in favor of. I am not in favor of drugging down

our youth, They need all of their senses and clarity to make the best of some tough situations that await them in a slow moving society of "White Privilege."

- 4) Should privately-owned prisons be permitted in Pennsylvania?

  Not at all. The Prison Industrial Complex is fed from the inner cities of our state and detrimentally and disproportionately incarcerates Black youth.

  People who invest in private prisons want a return on their investment. Black and Brown communities suffer as a result. I could go on and on.....
- 5) Should we ban the box in Pennsylvania? Absolutely!
- 6) Should PA continue to build new prisons?

  No, PA should reform the prisons that it has and invest in offender rehabilitation not the punitive warehousing of people.
  - 7) Should PA begin to close prisons? Explain.
    Yes. PA prisons are filled with non-violent offenders who have been victims of racist and discriminatory policy and practices, including inadequate representation, the "parole violation" process and many others. Prisons have become the economy driver for certain sections of PA.
  - 8) Do you support an end to the death penalty?
    Absolutely, without question because of many things, with one reason being, it is overwhelmingly used on African American and poor populations.
  - 9) When if ever, should a juvenile be tried as an adult? Juveniles should not be tried as adults.
  - 10) As a general matter, what do you think the state can do to reduce the murder rate in Philadelphia, while maintaining respect for civil liberties and the overall need for decarceration of our city?

Adequately fund public schools, increase the minimum wage, provide state of the art and relevant vocational training for Tech jobs and opportunities, and at least pass some common sense gun legislation - for a start.

## IX. Campaign Finance Reform

Would you support legislation to provide public financing for state and local election campaigns?

Yes. Money in politics has created a corrupt political environment.

#### X. Labor

1) Would you support legislation to strengthen protection for workers trying to form or join a union?

Workers have the right to organize and form unions without fear of retribution.

2) Should the minimum wage be increased? If so, to what level and should the increase be indexed to inflation?

Yes the minimum wage should be increased to at least \$15/hr, with the understanding that from that point on it should be adjusted with the rate of inflation (because prices/costs do).

- 3) Do you believe that Philadelphia and other municipalities should continue to be pre-empted from increasing the minimum wage on their own? I don't. With that being said, the state needs to increase the minimum wage.
- 4) Do you support privatization of retail liquor sales in Pennsylvania? Are there any other services that you believe should be considered for privatization? Not all liquor stores, although I think it would be an economy booster for entrepreneurs.
  - 5) Philadelphia remains the most impoverished major city and about 75% of our residents lack bachelor's degrees. What policies would you implement to ensure that decent, high-paying jobs created here are accessible to the majority of our population, not just the relatively well-educated and already well off?

Education, early ed through college are important pieces in this quandary of poverty and opportunity. Low cost to no-cost state colleges, the proper funding of public schools and the implementation of 21st century vocational programming and skills training are essential in bringing people out of poverty and preparing them for new age employment opportunities in our region.

## **XI. Reforming Legislative Districts**

1) Do you support legislation that would (1) form an independent commission, and (2) apply sound methodologies, to draw all congressional, State House, and Senate districts fairly in Pennsylvania?

Yes. Gerrymandering is discriminatory.

#### XII. Public Health

Would you support state legislation to create a single-payer system in PA? Yes.

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#### In Brief:

· Literary Scholar

Public Education Advocate

Non-Profit Executive

· Arts and Culture Industry Leader

· Youth Advocate and Mentor

Lecturer

Supreme D. Dow is the founder, executive director and curator of the Black Writers Museum (BWM) in Philadelphia, PA. He is regarded as a trailblazer, establishing the only museum in America dedicated solely to the preservation, examination, celebration and exhibition of the vast contributions of African American authors and their literature. Transforming a severely underdeveloped historic landmark in Fairmount Park, the Vernon House, into an educational and cultural institution, the BWM attracts thousands of visitors yearly with exhibits, an archives, and cultural arts programming. As the curator of a comprehensive collection of rare and first edition books, documents, journals, magazines, images, artifacts, and taped and vinyl recordings, Dow has developed the BWM into a national destination for students, researchers, and tourists. He lectures and conducts professional presentations for universities, conferences, public, private and community based agencies. As an industry leader in community arts and culture, Dow has interviewed, hosted or performed with some of America's most renowned artists and activists, including Danny Glover, Susan Sarandon, Stanley Clarke, Sonia Sanchez, Askia Toure', Dr. Haki Madhubuti, and the late Amiri Baraka.

As a public education advocate, Dow began working in public schools in 1992, as a volunteer for his elementary school in Germantown and quickly moved into the classroom as a supportive services assistant providing individual instruction to students in reading and math. With eight children attending public schools, Dow served as president of two Home and School Associations; the C. E. Pickett Middle School in 1995/96 in Germantown; and John Story Jenks Elementary in Chestnut Hill, in 2010/2011. As president of these associations, Dow was known for increasing parent, school and community collaboration. As an organizer for the Alliance Organizing Project for Education Reform, in 1996, he was so successful in forging integrated community/school partnerships he was chosen by the Philadelphia Home and School Council to serve as a Cluster Representative.

Graduating with honors from Lincoln University in 1998 with a Masters Degree in Human Services, Dow continued to focus on youth and public education. Having written his thesis entitled, "Social Promotion: The Unwritten Policy of Urban Public Education," Dow elucidates on a community based approach to strengthening public schools. He has travelled across the United States garnering best practices for public education and has developed the bully and

violence prevention curriculum, "Writin' is Fightin'." Throughout his career, Dow has gained expertise in youth program and curriculum development and evaluation, and has provided student workshops and staff training for non-profit agencies serving challenged young African American men and at-risk populations.

With over 30 years in the Human Service and Helping professions, Dow has worked with government, private, non-profit and community based institutions in education, economic, and empowerment initiatives. He served as the Archival Research Assistant in the Opportunities Industrialization Centers of America (OIC/A), in 1985; Research Assistant at the Joseph J. Peters Institute in 1992; Lead Family Center Development Specialist for the Germantown Family Center in 1995; Program Director of the OIC/A Life Skills and Job Training Program in 1999; Youth Programs Director for the Father's Day Rally Committee in 2004; and founded the Black Writers Museum in 2010. Dow holds a certificate from the LaSalle University Non-Profit Center in Non-Profit Management and he continues to work with agencies in strategic planning, organizational development, and capacity building.

Recognized for his authentic and "trenchant" poetry, in 2016, Dow released *Quiet Screams*, a compilation of poetry that addresses issues of social justice and challenges the presence of institutional poverty and the marginalization of communities. Highly sought after for his comprehensive lectures and poetry presentations, Dow has recently presented at University of Pennsylvania, Temple, West Chester, and Yale Universities, and was the featured poet at the Macy's Philadelphia Black History Program 2017.

Because of his life-long work and commitment to social justice, in 1994, Dow was chosen by the International Electoral Commission, through the First United Methodist Church of Germantown, to serve in South Africa as an International Non-Governmental Observer for the first All People's Election. This service abroad has helped to shape his writing and perspectives on social constructs and global communities. He is now writing a memoir detailing his experience helping to make world history in South Africa.

Over his career, Dow has received numerous community service and literary awards including the *Changing Lives, Impacting His Community* from Poet-Ify, 2017; *Outstanding Service and and Dedication* from the Unity Community Center of South Jersey, 2014; *Community Advocacy and Service*, Celebration of Black Writing, Art Sanctuary; *Outstanding Citizenship* from the NAACP, 2007; *Ronald T. Ramashala Memorial Award*, Lincoln University, 1998.

Supreme's ability to lead by example, to relate to young men and bring perspective to policy work in the Family Centers has been invaluable.... He has a remarkable sense of humor which facilitates the building of relationships necessary to change systems, and individual beliefs and behaviors.....

D. Leann Ayers, Executive Director Mayor's Cabinet of Children and Families, Philadelphia, PA

## LECTURES, PERFORMANCES AND PRESENTATIONS

- 2018 Maat, Maafa, and the New Urban Culture, Lecture Molefi K. Asante Institute for Afrocentric Studies Philadelphia, PA
- 2017 If It Ain't, Poem Featured Poet, 51st Anniversary Kwanzaa Celebration Kwanzaa Cooperative, Philadelphia, PA
- 2017 *Quiet Screams*, Reading of Selected Poems
  Pan African Connection Bookstore and Cultural Center
  Dallas, Texas
- 2017 *Black No More,* By George Schuyler, Visiting Lecture and Discussion Temple University, English Department
- 2017 "Libation and Talk," Kente Graduation Ceremony West Chester University, Department of Multi-Cultural Affairs West Chester, PA
- 2017 In-Class Interview and Discussion University of Pennsylvania, Liberal Arts Majors
- 2017 *Quiet Screams,* Reading of Selected Poems Featured Poet, Poet-Ify Germantown Church of the Brethren
- 2017 *Quiet Screams*, Reading of Selected Poems
  Juneteenth Annual Community Celebration and Festival
  Johnson House Historic Site, 6300 Germantown Avenue
- 2017 Keynote Address, Rising Teens Jack-n-Jill of Montgomery County, PA
- 2017 Featured Poet, Reading of Selected Poems Macy's Black History Program and Celebration Philadelphia, PA
- 2017 If It Ain't, Poem Annual Mingle and Jingle, Germantown Artist Roundtable Philadelphia, PA
- 2016 *Middle of the Ring,* Poem 50th Anniversary Kwanzaa Celebration Kwanzaa Cooperative, Philadelphia, PA

- 2016 Book Release, *Quiet Screams*Black Writers Museum, Philadelphia, PA
- 2016 University of Pennsylvania Student Discussion, Host and Facilitator Black Writers Museum, Philadelphia, PA
- 2016 *Building Black Institutions*, Visiting Lecture and Discussion Yale University, Sociology Department
- 2016 Reading of Selected Poems, Tribute to the Drum Memorial Celebration Stenton Park, Philadelphia, PA
- 2016 Reading of Selected Poems, Featured Poet
  Juneteenth Annual Community Celebration and Festival
  Johnson House Historic Site, 6300 Germantown Avenue
- 2016 Host of Annual Sonia Sanchez Poetry Showcase Black History and Culture Showcase Pennsylvania Convention Center, Philadelphia, PA
- 2015 Children Call Us, Reading Commissioned Work St. Barnabas Mission 15th Anniversary Community Celebration Episcopal Community Services, Philadelphia, PA
- 2014 Tasting Dreams, Reading Commissioned Work Sharmain Matlock-Turner, 15 Year Celebration at UAC Westcott Financial Advisory Group, Philadelphia, PA
- 2013 "Libation and Talk," Kente Graduation Ceremony
  West Chester University, Department of Multi-Cultural Affairs
  West Chester, PA
- 2013 Middle of the Ring, Poem
  Campaign reception for Ras Baraka for Mayor of Newark, NJ
  with Sonia Sanchez, Amiri Baraka and Odean Pope
  Warm Daddy's Restaurant and Jazz Club, Philadelphia, PA
- 2012-2014 Poetry and Creative Writing, Enon Tabernacle Summer Enrichment Program Enon Tabernacle Baptist Church, Philadelphia, PA
- 2012 Weapon of Choice, Poem Delta Sigma Theta Annual Meeting, Philadelphia Chapter Philadelphia, PA 19144
- 2010 University of Pennsylvania Student Workshop, Host and Instructor Black Writers Museum, Philadelphia, PA

- 2010 *The Power of the Pen: How to Become a Better Writer,* Instructor Carson Valley/Mother's In Charge, Philadelphia, PA
- 2009 Black Classic Book Club, Facilitator Germantown High School, Philadelphia, PA
- 1998 Call To Arms, Poem Lincoln University, MHS Homowa Closing Ceremony Oxford, PA
- 1994 *The Power of Literacy,* Performance Workshop Dobbins Vocational High School, Philadelphia, PA
- 1994 *Male Empowerment,* Workshop Presenter Berean Institute, Philadelphia, PA
- 1993 Delaware Valley Poetry Showcase and Contest, Sponsor Sankofa Bookstore, Philadelphia, PA
- 1993 Charles Blockson Literary Society, Poetry Reading Opening Reception, The Institute for Contemporary Art University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA
- 1993 The Black Social Workers Reunion, Poetry and Jazz Performance with Byard Lancaster and the Sounds of New Africa Zanzibar Blue, Philadelphia, PA
- 1993 Campaign Reception for Honorable Dwight Evans, Poetry and Jazz Zanzibar Blue, Philadelphia, PA
- 1993 *Black History Month Address,* Keynote Philadelphia Electric Company, Plymouth Meeting, PA
- 1992 Holiday Reception, Guest Speaker and Poet Presented with Mayor W. Wilson Goode Mary Jane Enrichment Center, Philadelphia, PA
- 1992 South New Jersey Kwanzaa Celebration, Sponsor Willingboro, NJ
- 1992 *Poetry Plus+ Magazine,* Launch Philadelphia, PA
- 1992 *Chocolate Raindrops,* Book Release Temple University, Philadelphia, PA

#### PROFESSIONAL CONFERENCES AND TRAINING

- 2017 Trauma as Expressed in Classic Fictional Black Literature, Conference Presenter National Black Child Development Institute, Philadelphia Chapter Deliverance Evangelical Baptist Church, Philadelphia, PA
- 2016 The Inner City School: Inequality and Urban Education, Attended Yale Urban Ethnography Project, Yale University
- 2011 Non-Profit Management, Certificate
  The Nonprofit Center, LaSalle University
  Philadelphia, PA
- 2004 Dare To Be King, Train the Trainer
  Positive Youth Development Model, Certificate
  University of Maryland, Eastern Shore, Princess Anne, MD
- 2000 Field Operations Director, Campaign Leadership Training Certificate, Ron Brown-Paul Tulley Institute for Political Action Memphis, TN
- 1999 Nurturing Full Service Schools: Building Bridges to the Community Panelist, Collaborative for Integrated Schools Harvard University, Graduate School of Education
- 1995 Counseling and Treating People of Colour, Attended Stony Brook University, School of Social Welfare
- 1995 Child Development Through Educational Guidance & Support to Parents Certificate, Parents as Teachers National Center, Inc
- 1994 Effective Schools Approach, Follow Through Specialist Certificate, School District of Philadelphia

#### **AWARDS AND HONORS**

## 2017 Poet-Ify

"Changing Lives, Impacting His Community and Paying it Forward" RuNette Ebo, Founder, Victoria Peurifoy, Partner

#### 2016 Books for Tots

"Humanitarian Award" Karen Walker, Executive Director

### 2014 City Council of Philadelphia

"Citation"

City Councilwoman Cindy Bass, Presenter

### 2014 Unity Community Center of South Jersey

"Outstanding Service and Dedication"

Robert and Wanda Dickerson, Founders

### 2014 Poetic Ventures and National Black Authors Tour

"20 Years of Poetic Excellence"

Philadelphia Black Poetry Honors

James "Osay" Johnson and Maurice Henderson, Chairs

## 2011 Celebration of Black Writing, National Conference

"Community Advocacy and Service"

Lorene Carey, Executive Director, Art Sanctuary

#### 2007 NAACP, Philadelphia Chapter

"Outstanding Citizenship"

J. Wyatt Mondesire, President

#### 2007 Honorable Lucien E. Blackwell Award

"Guiding Light in the Community"

Malik Aziz, Councilwoman Jannie Blackwell

#### 2007 American Cities Foundation

"Men Making a Difference"

Sandra Dungee-Glenn

## 2005 Men United for a Better Philadelphia

"Unsung Hero"

#### 2001 Moorish Unification Council

"Outstanding Community Service"

Wesley Wilson-Bey, Chair

1998 Lincoln University, MHS Homowa Closing Ceremony Ronald T. Ramashala Award "Outstanding Community Service and Consumer Advocacy"

1995 Urban League Young Professionals of Philadelphia "Recognition of Valued Participation" LeNard Shotwell, President

1994 New Jersey African American Studies Conference
"Community Service Award"
Camden County Community College and National African American Club

1992 School District of Philadelphia

Certificate: "Helping to Lead the Path to Excellence" Operation Footprints

Constance E. Clayton, School Superintendent

## **Past Board Appointments and Memberships**

Black Writers Museum Board of Directors, President (Current)

National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP)

John Story Jenks Elementary School - Home and School, President

Father's Day Rally Committee

Home and School Cluster Representative

C.E. Pickett Middle School - Home and School President

Germantown Boys and Girls Club

Germantown Community Collaborative Board

Urban League Young Professionals

Charles Blockson Literary Society

#### **MEDIA**

- 2017 *Contemporary Black Canvas*, Blog Radio Podcast Dr. Pia Deas, Host, Lincoln University
- 2017 Black Writers Museum, Feature Article Final Call Newpaper
- 2016 Morning Mojo, WURD FM/AM Radio Interview w/ Jazz Bassist Stanley Clarke Stephanie Renee, Host
- 2016 Speaking to Harmony, Blog Radio Podcast Bro. Herman Umoja, Host
- 2016 Black Writers Museum Inherits Rare Find, Article Philadelphia Tribune
- 2016 *Middle of the Ring,* Published Poem Philadelphia Tribune
- 2014 Talking Drum, WURD FM/AM Radio Interview w/ Philadelphia Poet Laureate Sonia Sanchez Barbara Grant, Host
- 2014 Daybreak with Thera Marin Milling, WURD 900 AM Radio Thera Martin Milling, Host
- 2011 School Days, WURD 900 AM Radio Sandra Dungee-Glenn
- 2010 Fatima Ali Show, WURD 900 AM Radio Fatima Ali, Host
- 1996 Philadelphia Daily News, Article

  Brother 2 Brother Rap Group, C. E. Pickett Middle School

  After School Mentor Group
- 1995 *The Elders Speak,* WURD 900 AM Radio Dr. Edward Robinson, Calvin Robinson, Co-Hosts
- 1994 Commentary: Story of My Experience in South Africa During Election Germantown Courier

- 1994 *Visions*, Television Program
  Interview with "Mother and Son"
  Reporting from South Africa, First All People's Election
  Vernon Odom, Host
- 1994 Poetry Plus Craft Show/Book Fair...., Article Germantown Courier
- 1993 Elenore Jean Henley Show, WHAT 1340 AM Radio Elenore Jean Henley, Host
- 1993 *There's a Resurgence of Poetry in the United States,* Article Philadelphia Tribune
- 1993 *Weapon of Choice*, Published Poem Real News Newspaper
- 1993 Poetry Plus+ Magazine Hosts Evening of Poetry at Sankofa, Article Philadelphia Tribune
- 1992 *Kwanzaa: Celebration of a Culture,* Article Burlington County Times
- 1992 Supreme Dow Debuts "Chocolate Raindrops," Article SCOOP U. S. A. Newspaper
- 1986 Zion Baptist Church Hosts Re-Archival Exhibition, Article Philadelphia Tribune