

LAURA LEE BEASLEY

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EDUCATION

Ph.D., English, Concentration in Creative Writing, Poetry, Georgia State University, 2014

M.A., English, Concentration in Creative Writing, Poetry, Georgia State University, 2011

B.A., English, Minor in Journalism, Georgia State University, 2007

Valdosta State University, Journalism, 2002-2004

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Graduate Teaching Assistant, Georgia State University, Fall 2009-Spring 2014

Courses Taught: English 1101, English 1102, Creative Writing 3150A

Participated in Professional Development Community with faculty leader

Graduate Assistant, The Writing Studio, Department of English, Georgia State University, Fall 2008-2011

Graduate Assistant Mentor, chosen by Director to be leader and trainer for 5 new graduate students working in The Writing Studio, 2010-2011

Tutored undergraduate and graduate student writers

EDITING AND PUBLISHING EXPERIENCE

Freelance Copyeditor, St. Martin's Press, May 2014-present

Poetry Editor, *New South Journal of Arts & Literature*, Georgia State University, Spring 2012-Spring 2014

Editorial Assistant, *Eudora Welty Review*, Georgia State University, Fall 2011-May 2014

Assistant Editor, *Five Points - Journal of Literature & Art*, Georgia State University, Fall 2008-Spring 2010

PUBLICATIONS

"Welty's 'Cindy and the Joyful Noise'" in the *Eudora Welty Review*, Fall 2013

"Looking for Quarters in a Public Pool" (pushcart-nominated) in *Silk Road Review*, Fall 2012

“Double Elegy,” “Leaving,” “Nothing,” and “The Egyptians,” in *Time You Let Me In*, an anthology of 25 poets chosen by Naomi Shihab Nye, HarperCollins, February 2010

“Funeral for Sgt. M.G., Killed in Iraq,” “Moving my Grandmother to Morningside” in *The Texas Observer*, March 2009

ACADEMIC SERVICE

Served on the Committee of Student Communication, Georgia State University, Spring 2014

Helped to organize the *New South* Reading Series, Georgia State University, 2012-present

Gave the graduate mentoring session “Success Strategies for First-Year Composition,” Georgia State University, Spring 2012

Participated in Digital Pedagogy Mentoring Project, Georgia State University, Spring 2012

Represented the Center for Collaborative & International Arts at the GSU Arts Fair, Georgia State University, Spring 2012

Helped to organize the Southern Writer’s Onstage performances, Georgia State University, Spring 2012

AWARDS AND ACADEMIC HONORS

Summa Cum Laude graduate, Georgia State University, Spring 2007

Harold Gulliver Memorial Scholarship, Valdosta State University, Fall 2006

Study Abroad Participant, Paisley University, Scotland, Spring 2005

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Volunteer copyeditor at VOX Teen Communications, Summer 2014-present

Guest poetry reader at the Parkview High School Honor Society Induction, Spring 2011

Writer and editor of promotional blog for the 2011 Skateraid fundraiser benefiting Children’s Healthcare of Atlanta, the RET Foundation, and The Brain Tumor Foundation for Children, Inc., Summer 2011

FOREIGN LANGUAGES

French, reading knowledge