SHERILYN HARPER

EDUCATION

Ashland University, Ashland, OH
MFA: Mixed Media Creative Nonfiction and Poetry
Completed Thesis: Winters Learning Ducks   2016-2018
Led Poetry contests at PoetrySoup, participated in online discussion and class critique

Carlow University, Dublin, Ireland
MFA Fiction Coursework: Book of Changes Draft, student critique and discussions   2013

Seton Hill University, Seton PA
MFA Fiction Coursework: Dinosaur Book draft, student critique and discussions   2012

Hugo House, Tacoma CC, UCLA, Oxford, Stanford University
Editing, Screen Writing, Character Development, Publication, Essay, Memoir, Short Story,
Plot, Science Fiction Writing, Spanish Language Coursework with student critique and discussions
No Placers Completed, Hot Flash Completed, Cultured Quandaries Completed, Space Development draft   2003-2013

University of Central Florida, Oviedo, FL
Coursework in Political Science, Anthropology, Masters Student Class Development
Completed Golf with Camoluscious Galley   2009-2011

University of WA Extension, Seattle, WA
Certificates Adv. Fiction, Fiction, Poetry   2001
Publications: Decalmaker, Excerpt from No Placers

City University, Seattle, WA
MBA Coursework in Information Management
Classes in Leadership, Marketing, International Law, including class presentations, group facilitation   1992

Western Washington University, Bellingham, WA
B.S. Computer Science   1985
Areas of Concentration: Applied Mathematics, Physics, Database

AWARD

Gurushots PhotoExhibits, Magazine Publications and Newspaper Publication	2019 – 2020
Pixoto Awards	2018 – 2020
Top Writer at Quora	2014 – 2018
Honorable Mention, Writers of the Future "Dangerous Wells of the Moon"	2011
Novel Finalist, No Placers, Royal Palm's Literary Association	2010
Nominated for a PushCart Award by Ed. Fred Coppersmith Kaleidoscope for poem "Biology Experiment"	2007
Honorable Mention, Writers of the Future, "Ice Crux"	2006
Second Place, Byline New Writer's Short Story Contest, "Betal's Decision"	2004
Second Place, Seattle Writer's Association Poetry Contest, "Journalist"	2004
Honorable Mention, Byline New Writer's Poetry, "Journalist"	2004
Third Place, Kay Snow Award, Williamette Writer's Poetry, "The Miner"	2003

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Poetry Contest Administrator at PoetrySoup.com   2014 – 2019

Catholic PREP Teacher Grade 5, 6, 7, 8   2012-2017
Developed course lesson plans, presented Concepts, led discussions, administered tests

Teaching Assistant in "High School Graduation Required Math"   2015
Explained concepts to students, aided students in computer course usage, graded tests, answered questions

CRITTERS.org HelpDesk   2004-2009
Provided online help with the use of CRITTERS.org software and data

Creative Writing Group Facilitator, Seattle Writer's Association						2004-2009
Led discussions and writing exercises

Critique Group Coordinator, Seattle Writer's Association						2004-2009
Led writing exercises and facilitated critique

Level Three Help Desk and Systems Analysis, Port of Seattle, Seattle, WA
On the Job training, diagnosis, repair, and rebuild of computer equipment and software,
also worked with building educational training tracking system for Security Dept.				1996-1999

BOECOM Documentation Team Leader
Development team support for the BOECOM Business Process, System, and Network Design
Teams in charge of training engineers in methodology, leading discussions, documenting design decisions.		1990

BASE Deployer, Systems Analyst, Boeing Huntsville, AL, Tukwila, WA,					1989
Provided on the job training, problem diagnosis, software support for a variety of tools used by
Engineers at ALS, NLOS, Space Station, FOGM projects

VAX Graphics Developer for Schedule, Device Drivers, Boeing, Tukwila, WA				1987-1988
Prepared and taught classes in the use of the Schedule software package and for building PVI Device
Drivers.

Teaching Assistant in "Ada Programming Language"							1985
Graded Ada Programming Assignments, Tested Programs, Graded Exams

NONPROFIT EXPERIENCE

Red Cross
Fire Prevention Smoke Alarm Installation Brevard County							2018-2019

Holy Name of Jesus
Thrift Store sorting, Book Store Sales, Food Prep							2018-2019

Baltic Writing Residency
Reader													2017-2020

Feeding Children Everywhere
Orlando Cares—Hope for Puerto Rico, packaging food							2017

RiverTeeth
Reader													2014 – 2017

FireCracker Awards											2014 – 2016
Reader and Poetry and Fiction Judge

St. Stephen's Catholic Community, Oviedo, FL							2012-2017
Transportation, Sorting and storing food drive supplies, PREP Teacher, Winterfest decorations,
cleanup, set up, Yarns of Love, Crafts, Soup Dinner Cleanup

Zooniverse												2011-2020
Data entry, analysis, identification

Pacific Northwest Writer's Association								2004-2015
Yearly Contest Judge, one year presentation facilitator

FireCracker Awards-											2014 – 2016
Reader and Poetry and Fiction Judge

St. Stephen's Catholic Community, Oviedo, FL							2012-2017
Transportation, Sorting and storing food drive supplies, PREP Teacher, Winterfest decorations,
cleanup, set up, Yarns of Love, Crafts, Soup Dinner Cleanup

Zooniverse												2011-2017

Data entry, analysis, identification in a variety of astronomy, geology, biology, and archival projects

Earthwatch: Exploring an Active Volcano, PI's Prof. Hazel Rymer, Dr. Hilary Erenler, Nicaragua   2015
Identified butterflies, collected grass samples, collected data

Earthwatch: Amazon Riverboat Exploration, PI Dr. Richard Bodmer Peru   2014
Counted birds, mammals, dolphins, fish, bats, frogs on hikes and boat rides, entered data

Northwest Garden Show   2008
Represented Seattle Community College to interested visitors

Shine Magazine   2007
Poetry Judge

Seattle Writer's Association   2004-2008
Collected membership fees and maintained the membership database.

Earthwatch: PI Dr. David Westcott, Australia   1999
Radio-tracked birds, collected, identified and entered data about forest seeds

Compulsive Reader   1997-2013
Book Reviewer

Earthwatch: PI Dr. Turkey   1993
Took photographs at sites of historical use, built a map of the Kesara Valley using GPS

Earthwatch: Underwater Meadows, PI Dr. Garriet W. Smith, Bahamas   1991
Collected, cleaned, dried, sorted and identified sea grasses used in tracking global warming

Earthwatch: Kanuka Forest Bird's Project,PI Dr. Ian G. McLean, New Zealand   1989
Tracked birds through forest, took tree size information

Earthwatch: Maya Sea Trader's Project, PI Dr. Jeffrey MacKinnon, Belize   1988
Removed vegetation and dirt from Mayan structures, collected, washed potsherds

Boeing Employees Good Neighbor Fund Representative   1987
Provided employee overviews and encouraged membership

Boeing Savings Bond Representative   1986
Provided employee overviews of US Savings Bonds and encouraged purchase.

Seattle Art Museum, Docent for China Exhibit   1986
Answered questions and watched over exhibits.

Jury Duty, King Country, Kent and Seattle, WA   1981-2004
Sat on juries, voted on sentences

St. Stephen's Catholic Church, Kent, WA   1971-1982
Worked with Catering Guild, helped with donated inventory help, helped with yearly craft show.

INDUSTRY EXPERIENCE

Editor, SheriFresonkeHarper.com, EmbracingLiterature.com, CulturewCamy.com,
FamilyMentalHealthPuzzle.com   2004-2019
Blogged, edited, built and maintained software and links

Reviews, Yelp, FourSquare, Yahoo, Google, Goodreads, Travel   2004-2019

500px, YouPic, ViewBug, Pixoto, Igpoty, Flickr, Instagram, Gurushots
Freelance Photographer   2009-2019
Took photographs of Architecture, Nature, Wildlife, Landscapes, Sports, etc.

Associated Content, Yahoo!Contributors, Helium, Triond, Bukhisa, Ehow,
Freelance Journalist   2008-2014
Wrote freelance articles for pay by hit

Port of Seattle, Seattle, WA and SeaTac Airport
Systems Analyst   1996 – 1999
Designed and built Lost and Found, Training Records, Building Permit, Building Inspections Systems
in MS Access & Basic, provided training, documentation, helpdesk support.

Boeing Company Computing Management Organizations, Tukwila, WA
Business Process and Data Architect   1992-1996
Supported Facilities, Human Resources, Finance, Customer Engineering and Customer Services
Business Process Redesign teams, supported DCAC/MRM, ATA teams, ensured architectural
consistency with equipment orders, educated projects about standards

BCAG Test Tools and Methods, Boeing, Tukwila, WA
Systems Analyst and AI Specialist   1990-1992
Worked with AI tools to write a test generator that parsed COBOL Code, wrote a document analyzing the
potential to reduce software cost via automated designed. Consulted with CQI Test Standards Team.

BCS BOECOM Documentation Team, Bellevue, WA   1990
Provided development tool training, team facilitation and documentation, consulted with configuration
management team, tested designs and matched design to data design

BCS BASE Deployment, 2167a Military Projects, Kent, WA, Huntsville, AL   1988-1990
Provided tool consultation, training, and support development.

BCS VAX Graphics Support, Kent, WA   1985-1988
Designed the Schedule program to build Gantt charts for B1B program, maintained the PVI User's
Library, wrote device drivers, wrote articles for the VAX Graphics News

Decalmaker, Boeing Renton Plant, Renton, WA   1978-1982
Silkscreened, metal-etched, and other fabrication of decals used on the Boeing company airplanes.

K-Mart, Renton, WA   1978
Food services making deli sandwiches, scooping ice cream, etc, clean up and customer support.

Floor Lead, McDonald's, Renton, WA   1974-1978

Food Services, Woodland Park Zoo   1974
Packaged peanuts, made cotton candy, served customers

PUBLICATIONS AND PAPERS

"Winter Learning Ducks", "Emotional Curve in Mental Health Memoirs", misc. poems
Class Reading, Class Graduation, Open Mike   2015-2016

Chimera World 6, Chimericana Press
"Essin and the Summer of Secrets" short story   2009

Beacons of Tomorrow, Tyrannosaurus Press
Short Story "WARM, INC"   2008

Decalmaker
Chapbook of Poems Published by Puddinghouse Press
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Natural Selections, Visual Selections, Dance on the Edge, Goodbyes to Hold
Self-published four chapbooks of poems for use at PoetsWest Readings   2003-2005

Tales of the Talisman, Hadrosaur
Short Story "Ice Crux"   2006

Excerpt from No Placers, New Voices V Anthology, Goodfellow Press
Classroom public reading   2002

Guest Poet at PoetsWest Readings
Read from my poems on television and in public PoetsWest Readings   2002-2009

"Why it is Imported to Standardize on Facilities Software"
Paper Presented to BCAG Computer Management Meeting   1995

BOECOM Network Module, Boeing, Bellevue, WA
Edited and helped design the Software module documentation   1990

BOECOM Design Document, Boeing, Bellevue, WA
Edited and helped design the Software design documentations   1990

BOECOM Business Model, Bellevue, WA
Edited the final version matching up sources and sinks to user paper flows   1990

Schedule User's Manual, Boeing, Renton, WA
Documentation for using the software "Schedule"   1988

"How to Write a Black and White PVI Device Driver"
Paper published and Guest Speaker at the Precision Visuals, Inc. Annual User Group Meeting   1987

LANGUAGES

English—native language
French—speak average and read/write with proficiency
Spanish—speak limited and read/write with proficiency
Computer Languages—Ada, C, C++, BASIC, Unix, VAX, Microsoft, Pascal, FORTRAN, COBOL, LISP,
SNOBAL, SQL, various others with advanced work in BNF format use in Testing with AI programming

INTERESTS

Orlando Arts—Ballet, Broadway Across the America, Shakespeare Theater, Science Museum, Orlando Zoo
Golf—Central Florida Golf, Twin Rivers Golf Club
Gardening, Birdwatching, Travel, Photography

MEMBERSHIPS

Central Florida Golf
Florida Golf Association
Pacific Northwest Writers Association
PoetsWest
Williamette Writers Association
Critters.org
Audubon Society
Earthwatch
Florida Golf Association
ACW
AASI
AWP
Poets and Writers
Poetry Foundation
Poetry.org