

## PAUL LISICKY

### *Educational Background*

- 1990 M.F.A. in Creative Writing, The University of Iowa Writers' Workshop.  
 1986 M.A. in English, Rutgers University.  
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- “The Best LGBT Books of 2011: 92 Authors Select Their Favorites.” *Band of Thebes*, November 29, 2011. (Contributor, on Michael Graves’ *Dirty One*) <<http://bandofthebes.typepad.com/bandofthebes/2011/11/the-best-lgbt-books-of-2011-1.html>>
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- “The Sort of Book that Helen Would Like: A Conversation with Michael Cunningham.” *Inprint News* (Fall 2001), 1-6.
- “If You Know Too Much.” *Fiction Writer* (June 2000), 25.
- “Tribute to James Purdy.” *James White Review*, 17 (Winter 2000), 43.
- “Brokenness: On Form and the Short Story.” *Blithe House Quarterly* <http://www.blithe.com>, 2 (Spring 1998), Number 2.
- “A Talk with Elizabeth McCracken.” *Provincetown Arts*, 12 (1996), 106-109.
- “A Talk with Michael Cunningham.” *Provincetown Arts*, 11 (1995), 36-41.

#### *Awards and Honors*

- NPR Books We Love 2025 for *Song So Wild and Blue*.
- UCR Most Exciting Rock Books of 2025 for *Song So Wild and Blue*.
- Desert Rat Residency, 2025.
- BookBub Best Biography and Memoir of March 2025 for *Song So Wild and Blue*.
- Lit Hub Most Anticipated Book of 2025 for *Song So Wild and Blue*.
- Electric Lit Most Anticipated Queer Book of 2025 for *Song So Wild and Blue*.
- The Millions Most Anticipated Book of 2025 for *Song So Wild and Blue*.
- Kirkus Reviews Most Anticipated Nonfiction of 2025 for *Song So Wild and Blue*.
- Kirkus Reviews 20 Early 2025 Books That We Love for *Song So Wild and Blue*.
- Rose Dorothea Award, Provincetown Public Library, 2022.
- Best Nonfiction of 2020-2021, *Entropy Magazine* for *Later*.
- NPR Best Book of 2020 for *Later*.
- Electric Lit Favorite Nonfiction Book of 2020 for *Later*.
- O, The Oprah Magazine, Best LGBTQ Book of 2020 for *Later*.
- Harper’s Bazaar, Best LGBTQ Book of 2020 for *Later*.
- Entertainment Weekly, 20 Must Reads for March 2020 for *Later*.
- Washington Post, Ten Books to Read in March 2020 for *Later*.
- O, The Oprah Magazine Most Anticipated LGBTQ Book of 2020 for *Later*.
- Philadelphia Inquirer Best Book of Spring 2020 for *Later*.
- Library Journal Most Anticipated Book of 2020 for *Later*.
- BuzzFeed Most Anticipated Book of 2020 for *Later*.

- The Millions* Most Anticipated Book of 2020 for *Later*.
- them*, 14 Upcoming Queer Books to Get You To Summer, for *Later*, 2020.
- Book Riot*, 30 Small Press Books from 2020 We Can't Wait to Read, for *Later*, 2020.
- Book Mark* Most Anticipated Book by a LGBTQ Author of 2020 for *Later*.
- The Rumpus* Most Anticipated Book of 2020 for *Later*.
- Big Other* Most Anticipated Small Press Book of 2020 for *Later*.
- Provincetown Arts* 2018/19, Featured Writer.
- Randy Shilts Award for Gay Nonfiction from the Publishing Triangle, Finalist, 2017.
- AWP Conference 2017, Washington, D.C., Featured Presenter.
- Best LGBTQ Books and Music of 2016, *Miami Herald*, for *The Narrow Door*.
- Best 2016 Books by LGBTQ Authors, *The Coil*, for *The Narrow Door*.
- Google Play Best Books of 2016 for *The Narrow Door*.
- Largehearted Boy Favorite Nonfiction of 2016 for *The Narrow Door*.
- Shelf Awareness* 2016 Best Books of the Year for *The Narrow Door*.
- Pushcart Prize Nomination, Fall 2016, for "Tony's House" from *Provincetown Arts*.
- Mid-Year 2016: The Year's Best Nonfiction (So Far), Vol. 1 *Brooklyn*, for *The Narrow Door*.
- Powell's Midyear Roundup: Best Books of 2016 So Far for *The Narrow Door*.
- John Simon Guggenheim Memorial Foundation Fellowship (\$50,000), 2016.
- New York Times* Editors' Choice for *The Narrow Door: A Memoir of Friendship*, 2016.
- Best Small Fictions 2016 for "Modernism."
- Five Books Making News This Week: Life, Death and Squirrels, January 26, 2016, *LitHub*.
- PW Picks, Books of the Week, January 18, 2016, *Publishers Weekly*, for *The Narrow Door*.
- The 27 Most Exciting Books Coming in 2016, *BuzzFeed*, for *The Narrow Door*.
- The Most Exciting Books of 2016, *The Week*, for *The Narrow Door*.
- Most Anticipated, Too: The Great 2016 Nonfiction Book Preview, *The Millions*, for *The Narrow Door*.
- The Best Small Fictions 2016 Nominations for "Beach Town," "Haircut," "His Terrible Feelings," and "Hollywood."
- Pushcart Prize Nomination, Fall 2015, for "Biology" from *Storyscape*.
- Yaddo Residency, August 2015.
- Lambda Literary Award Finalist (Gay Men's Fiction) for *Unbuilt Projects*, 2013.
- Wigleaf Top 50 (Very) Short Fictions of 2013, "Monster."
- Wigleaf Top 50 (Very) Short Fictions of 2013 (longlist) for "Thomas Looked For

- the Happy Ones.”
- Glenna Luschei *Prairie Schooner* Award, 2010.
  - Philadelphia Stories, Push to Publish Conference, October 16, 2010. Keynote Address.
  - Pushcart Prize XXVIII, Special Mention, “Famous Builder 2,” 2004.
  - Lambda Literary Award Finalist (Autobiography) for *Famous Builder*, 2003.
  - Top 10 Book of 2000 for *Lawnboy*, Windy City Times, 2001.
  - Book Sense ‘76’ Selection for *Lawnboy*, 2000.
  - Honor Book in LGBT Literature for *Lawnboy* from the American Library Association (ALA), 2000.
  - Featured Guest, Rutgers-Camden, 20th Anniversary Celebration of M.A. Program in English, May 2000.
  - Borders Book of Distinction for *Lawnboy*, 1999.
  - Ragdale Foundation Residencies, October 1995, February-April 1991, November 1989.
  - Yaddo Residency, April-May 1995.
  - Affymax Corporation Fellowship, 1993.
  - Fine Arts Work Center in Provincetown, Christine Fairchild Magriel Fellow (Second-year Fellowship), 1992-93.
  - Djerassi Resident Artists Program, Artist-in-Residence, June 1992.
  - James Michener / Copernicus Society of America Award (\$10,000), 1991-92.
  - Fine Arts Work Center in Provincetown Writing Fellowship, 1991-92.
  - National Endowment for the Arts Fellowship in Creative Writing (\$20,000), 1990-92.
  - Virginia Center for the Creative Arts Fellowships, July-August 1991, June 1988.
  - Pushcart Prize XV, Special Mention, “Radar” (*Mississippi Review*), 1990.
  - Best American Short Stories 1990, Distinguished Story Citation, “Bad Florida” (*Carolina Quarterly*), 1990.
  - Henfield Foundation / *Transatlantic Review* Award (\$1000), 1990.
  - Sonora Review* Fiction Award (Second Prize) for “Gulf,” 1990.
  - MacDowell Colony Residency, May 1989.
  - New Jersey State Council on the Arts, Fellowship in Prose Writing (\$5000), 1988-89.
  - Millay Colony for the Arts Fellowship, July 1988.
  - Judith Siegel Pearson Award in Fiction (Second Prize), “Bad Florida,” Wayne State University, 1988.
  - Cummington Community of the Arts Residency, April 1988.
  - Writers’ Community, The Writers’ Voice, New York City, Spring 1988.
  - Bread Loaf Writers’ Conference, Working Scholar, 1986.
  - New Jersey State Council on the Arts, Fellowship in Prose Writing (\$1000),

1985-86.

—John C. Wentz Memorial Prize in the Essay, Rutgers University, 1983.

—Athenaeum Honor Society, Rutgers University, 1983.

*Teaching Experience*

—June 2026

Bennington College

Faculty, MFA Program in Creative Writing

—July 2013 to present

Rutgers University, Camden NJ

Full Professor, 2023 to present

Associate Professor with Tenure, 2017-2023

Assistant Professor, MFA Program in Creative Writing and Department  
of English 2013-2017

Director, MFA Program in Creative Writing (2021-2023)

—August 2018-January 2019

University of Texas at Austin, Austin TX

Visiting Professor in Fiction, New Writers Project

—July 2011 to July 2013

Rutgers University, Camden NJ

New Voices Professor in Fiction

—March-April 2010

University of North Carolina Wilmington, Wilmington NC

Visiting Professor in Fiction

—August 2007-January 2011

New York University, New York NY

Adjunct Professor in Creative Writing (Undergraduate Fiction)

—July 2009-January 2010

Rutgers University, Newark NJ

M.F. Steinhardt Visiting Writer (MFA Program in Fiction)

—December 2008-December 2010

Fairfield University, Fairfield CT (Low-Residency MFA program)

## Core Faculty in Nonfiction

—January 2008-May 2008

Cornell University, Ithaca NY

Visiting Professor in Creative Writing (MFA and Undergraduate)

—September 2001-July 2007

Sarah Lawrence College, Bronxville NY

Guest Faculty in Fiction and Creative Nonfiction (MFA and Undergraduate)

—June 2000-January 2002

Antioch University, Los Angeles (Low-Residency MFA Program)

Associate Faculty in Fiction and Creative Nonfiction

—Fall 2000, Fall 1999, Spring 1999

Inprint, Inc., Houston TX

Courses: Fiction, Advanced Fiction

—Fall 1998 to Spring 1999

Writers in the Schools Residency, High School for the Performing and Visual Arts, Houston TX

Courses: Creative Writing (Fiction, Creative Nonfiction, Poetry)

—Fall 1998

University of Houston, Houston TX

Course: English 1303

—1988-1990

University of Iowa, Iowa City IA

Courses: Rhetoric, Advanced Rhetoric

—1983-1986

Rutgers, The State University, Camden NJ

Courses: Introduction to Composition 101, Introduction to Literature 102

### *Additional Teaching (Workshops and Conferences)*

—Atelier Clos Mirabel, Jurançon, France (2027)

—StoryStudio Chicago (Fall 2026), online

- Bread Loaf Writers Conference, Ripton, Vermont (August 2026)
- Writing by Writers, Get the Lead Out Workshop, online (January 2026)
- Washington University, Visiting Hurst Professor in Nonfiction, Saint Louis Missouri (September-October 2025)
- Fine Arts Work Center in Provincetown, Provincetown, Massachusetts (July 2025, June 2024, July 2023, July 2022, June-July 2019, August 2018, August 2017, August 2016, June 2007, August 2005, June 2004, June 2003, August 2002, July-August 2001, July 2000, July 1999)
- Rainier Writing Workshop, Guest Writer, Tacoma, Washington (July 2025)
- Corporeal, Portland, Oregon (October 2024)
- Bread Loaf Writers Conference, Ripton, Vermont (August 2024)
- VCFA Postgraduate Conference, Burlington, Vermont (August 2024)
- Good Contrivance Farm, Reisterstown, Maryland (May 2024)
- Key West Literary Seminar, Key West, Florida (January 2024)
- 24 Pearl Street Sprint Workshop, Provincetown, Massachusetts (June 2023)
- Kenyon Review Summer Online Workshops (June 2023)
- Writing by Writers Boot Camp, Soquel, California (November 2022)
- West Virginia University, Sturm Writer, Morgantown, West Virginia (October 2022)
- Bread Loaf Writers Conference, Ripton, Vermont (August 2022)
- Write On, Door County, Fish Creek, Wisconsin (April 2022),
- Queens University, Charlotte, North Carolina, (September 2021) online
- 24 Pearl Street/Fine Arts Work Center in Provincetown, Provincetown, Massachusetts (August 2021, August 2020)
- Cherry Tree Young Writers' Conference ,Chestertown, Maryland, July 2021), online
- Grub Street Muse and the Marketplace, Boston, Massachusetts (April 2021), online
- Reading Queer, Miami, Florida (March 2021), online
- Juniper Institute Weekend, Amherst, Massachusetts, (February 2021), online
- Winter Prose & Poetry Getaway, Galloway, New Jersey, (January 2021), online
- Writing by Writers Conference, Marshall, California (October 2020), online
- 24 Pearl Street, Provincetown, Massachusetts (August 2020), online
- Writing by Writers, Marshall, California (August 2020), online
- Winter Prose & Poetry Getaway, Galloway, New Jersey (January 2020)
- Corporeal, Portland, Oregon (September 2019)
- Tutka Bay Writers Retreat, 49 Writers, Homer, Alaska (August 2019)
- Truro Center for the Arts at Castle Hill, Truro, Massachusetts (August 2019, August 2008, August 2004, August 2002, August 2001)
- Tin House Winter Novel Workshop, Newport, Oregon (March 2019)

- Juniper Institute, University of Massachusetts, Amherst, Massachusetts (2020, 2018, 2017, 2016, 2015, 2014, 2013, 2012, 2011, 2010, 2009, 2008, 2007)
- Grub Street: The Muse and the Marketplace Conference, Boston, Massachusetts (April 2018, May 2017)
- Tin House Summer Workshop, Portland, Oregon (July 2017)
- Writing by Writers Conference, Marshall, California (October 2016)
- Donna Johnson Private Workshop, Austin Community College, Austin, Texas, (September 2016)
- Conversations and Connections Conference, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, (September 2014)
- Sierra Nevada College, Incline Village, Nevada (2013-2015; low residency program)
- Rutgers-Camden Summer Writers Conference, Camden, New Jersey (2012, 2010)
- Columbia University, New York, New York (2010--ongoing; adjunct thesis reader, adviser)
- Port Townsend Writers Conference, Port Townsend, Washington (July 2009)
- Ellen Bass Private Workshop, Santa Cruz, California (March 2009)
- Napa Valley Writers Conference, Napa Valley, California (July 2008)
- Rowan University, Glassboro, New Jersey, Harrah's Visiting Writer (Spring 2007)
- San Miguel Poetry Week, San Miguel, Guanajuato, Mexico (January 2007, January 2005)
- Bread Loaf Writers Conference, Special Guest, Middlebury, Vermont (August 2006)
- Nebraska Summer Writers' Conference, Lincoln, Nebraska (June 2006, July 2003)
- Omega Institute, Austin, Texas (October 2004)
- University of North Carolina at Wilmington Writers' Week, Wilmington, North Carolina (March 2004)
- University of Oregon, Eugene, Oregon (Individual Conferences with MFA Students, May 2003)
- The Loft, Minneapolis, Minneapolis (Master Classes: January 2003, November 1999)
- Sarah Lawrence Summer Writers' Conference, Bronxville, New York (June 2002)
- Indiana University Summer Writers' Conference, Bloomington, Indiana (June 2002)
- Fine Arts Work Center in Provincetown: Fall Workshop Program (October 2005, October 2003, October 2002, October 2001)

- California State University at Fresno, Fresno, California (July 2000)
- Gemini Ink, San Antonio, Texas (February 2000)
- Iowa Summer Writers Festival, Iowa City, Iowa (July 1999, July 1998, June 1997, July 1996)
- Cranbrook Writers Retreat, Bloomfield Hills, MI (July 1998)
- Rutgers-Camden Summer Writers Conference (July 1996, July 1990)

*Selected Readings, Signings, and Events*

- Rowan University (online), Glassboro NJ, April 2026.
- University of Texas at Austin (online), Austin TX, February 2026.
- Texas Book Festival, Austin TX, November 2025.
- Brattleboro Literary Festival, Brattleboro VT, October 2025.
- New Hampshire Book Festival, Concord NH, October 2025.
- CityLit Stage, Baltimore MD, September 2025.
- Collingswood Arts Foundation, Collingswood NJ, September 2025.
- Fine Arts Work Center in Provincetown, Provincetown MA, with Ron Amato and Nicole Seeley, July 2025.
- Wellfleet Public Library, Wellfleet MA, July 2025.
- WANDER Berkshires, with Kendra McKinley, Pittsfield MA, June 2025.
- Four-Eyed Frog Books, Gualala CA, June 2025.
- In Discussion series at the Sea Ranch Lodge, Sea Ranch CA, June 2025.
- Books and Burlesque at Caveat, New York NY, June 2025.
- Twenty Summers at the Hawthorne Barn, with John Kelly, Provincetown MA, June 2025.
- Mechanics' Hall, Portland ME, June 2025.
- Skylark Bookshop Book Club (online), Columbia MO, May 2025.
- Seriously Entertaining, House of Speakeasy at Joe's Pub, New York NY, May 2025.
- Project Write Now at Red Bank Design Center, Red Bank NJ, May 2025.
- Villanova University, as part of Villanova Lit Festival, Villanova PA, April 2025.
- Prairie Lights, with Garth Greenwell, Iowa City IA, April 2025.
- NYU Residential College, New York NY, March 2025.
- Politics & Prose, with Martha Anne Toll, Washington DC, March 2025.
- Pete's Reading Series, with Jinwoo Chong, Edgar Gomez, and Olivia Wolfgang-Smith, Brooklyn NY, March 2025.
- Tucson Festival of Books, Tucson AZ, March 2025.
- Avon Free Public Library, with Jude Theriot, Avon CT, March 2025.
- East End Books Seaport, with Stephen McCauley, Boston MA, March 2025.
- RiffRaff Bookstore, with Matthew Lawrence, Providence RI, March 2025.

- Center for Fiction, with Ricky Ian Gordon, Brooklyn NY, March 2025.
- P&T Knitwear, New York NY, with Elizabeth McCracken, New York NY, February 2025.
- Writers at Camden, Rutgers University-Camden, with Elizabeth McCracken, Camden NJ, February 2025.
- Village Story Salon, with DeMisty Bellinger and Alejandro Varela, New York NY, February 2025.
- Fine Arts Work Center in Provincetown, with Matthew Olzmann, Provincetown MA, June 2024.
- Good Contrivance Farm, Reisterstown MD, May-June 2024.
- Festival of Faith and Writing, Calvin University, Grand Rapids MI, April 2024.
- Strand Bookshop, with Sarah Schulman and Daniel Allen Cox, New York NY, June 2023.
- University of Chicago, Center for the Study of Sexuality and Gender, Lauren Berlant Lecture, Chicago, IL, April 2023.
- West Virginia University, Morgantown, WV, October 2022 (Strum Writer).
- House of Speakeasy, New York, NY, June 2022 (presenter).
- Write On, Door County, Fish Creek, WI, April 2022.
- Susquehanna University, Selinsgrove, PA, March 2022 (Visiting Writer).
- Provincetown Book Festival, Provincetown, MA, September 2021.
- Cape Cod & the Islands Event, Wildsam Field Guides, with Joseph Lee, Austin, TX, July 2021 (online).
- Cherry Tree Young Writers' Conference, with Idra Novey, Chestertown, MD, July 2021 (online).
- CNF'n Happy Hour, Tacoma, WA, February 2021 (online).
- Rutgers University-Camden, with Micaiah Johnson, Camden, NJ, December 2020 (online).
- Washington University, St. Louis, MO, November 2020 (online).
- University of Texas at Austin, Austin, TX, November 2020 (online).
- Writing by Writers, with Pam Houston, Marshall, CA, October 2020 (online).
- DePaul University, Chicago, IL, October 2020 (online).
- Collingswood Book Festival, Collingswood, NJ, October 2020 (online).
- SUNY Adirondack, Queensbury, NY, September 2020 (online).
- Stonewall National Museum and Archives, Fort Lauderdale, FL, July 2020 (online).
- Fine Arts Work Center in Provincetown, A Book Party for LATER, with Elizabeth McCracken, featuring Polly Burnell, Oren Sherman, and Petey, Provincetown, MA, July 2020 (online).
- Napa Bookmine/Napa Valley Book Festival, with Deb Olin Unferth, Napa, CA, July 2020 (online).

- Asbury Book Cooperative, with Corinne Manning, Asbury Park, NJ, June 2020 (online).
- Women and Children First, with Garth Greenwell, Chicago, IL, June 2020 (online).
- Harvard Bookstore, with Deborah Anne Lott, Cambridge, MA, June 2020 (online).
- Skylight Books, with Deborah Anne Lott, Los Angeles, CA, May 2020 (online).
- LIC Reading Series Five Year Anniversary, Queens, NY, May 2020 (online).
- Franklin Park Reading Series, with Carter Sickels, Matt Ortile, and Camille Perri, Brooklyn, NY, April 2020 (online).
- Brazos Books, with Lisa Olstein, Houston, TX, April 2020 (online).
- Twenty Stories, with Genevieve Hudson and C Pam Zhang, Providence, RI, April 2020 (online).
- House of Speakeasy, with Chavi Eve Karkowsky and Jeff Sharlet, New York, NY, April 2020 (online).
- Image Journal, Seattle, WA, April 2020 (online).
- The Center for Fiction, with Andrea Lawlor, Brooklyn, NY, April 2020 (online).
- Blue Stoop, with Carter Sickels, Philadelphia, PA, April 2020 (online).
- Reading in Groups, April 2020 (online).
- Murphy Writing of Stockton University, Galloway, NJ, April 2020 (online).
- Readings By Writers, Palo Alto, CA, April 2020 (online).
- East End Books, Provincetown, NY, March 2020 (online).
- Homebound, A Virtual Lecture Series for Triangle House, with Emma Copley Eisenberg, Samantha Irby, Cathy Park Hong, and others, Brooklyn, NY, March 2020 (online).
- Books Are Magic, with Susan Choi, Brooklyn, NY, March 2020 (online).
- Tables of Contents Series, Brooklyn, NY, October 2019.
- Corporeal, Portland, OR, September 2019.
- Kachemak Bay Campus KPC, Homer, AK, August 2019.
- Writer’s Block Bookstore & Cafe, Anchorage, AK, August 2019.
- Center for Fiction, with Jean Kyoung Frazier, Andrea Lawlor, Jordy Rosenberg, Brooklyn, NY, June 2019.
- Cannery Reading Series, Philadelphia, PA, May 2019.
- American Short Fiction Series at The Line, Austin, TX, May 2019.
- Lambda Literary Award Finalists Reading, New York, NY, April 2019.
- University of Nebraska-Kearney, Kearny, NB, April 2019.
- Hollins University, Roanoke, VA, March 2019.
- William Paterson University, Wayne, NJ, April 2019.
- Memoir Monday at Powerhouse Arena, Brooklyn, NY, January 2019.
- University of Texas at Austin, Austin, TX, December 2018.

- Free Library of Philadelphia, with Katie Ford, Philadelphia, PA, October 2018.
- A Scoundrel Time Evening of Poetry, Prose and Art, with Karen Bender, Carolyn Ferrell, Daisy Fried, Mary Gaitskill, Hillary Jordan, Alissa Quart, Dana Sachs, Robert Anthony Siegel, Joan Silber, Peter Trachtenberg, Brooklyn, NY, July 2018.
- Mixer Series at Our Wicked Lady, Brooklyn, NY, April 2018.
- Publishing Triangle Awards, New York, NY, April 2018 (presenter).
- Florida Atlantic University, Lawrence Sanders Writer in Residence, Boca Raton, FL, February 2018.
- Pigeon Pages Series, Powerhouse Arena, Brooklyn, NY, September 2017.
- Bard College, Annandale on Hudson, NY, April 2017.
- EWOA Series, Sacramento, CA, April 2017.
- New York University, New York, NY, April 2017.
- Otis College of Art and Design, Los Angeles, CA, March 2017.
- Washington University, St. Louis, MO, March 2017.
- Arcadia University, Glenside, PA, February 2017.
- Fine Arts Work Center in Provincetown, Provincetown, MA, February 2017.
- University of Pennsylvania / Kelly Writers House, Philadelphia, PA, February 2017.
- East End Books, Provincetown, MA, December 2016
- Utica College, Utica, NY, November 2016.
- Gettysburg College, Gettysburg, PA, November 2016.
- Miami Book Fair, Miami, FL, November 2016.
- Texas Book Festival, Austin, TX, November 2016.
- Austin Lit Crawl, Austin, TX, November 2016.
- Tire Fire Series, Philadelphia, PA, November 2016.
- Brattleboro Literary Festival, Brattleboro, VT, October 2016.
- Desk & Moonlight: A Celebration of Elizabeth Bishop’s Poetry, New York, NY, with Howard Altmann, Jonathan Galassi, Meghan O’Rourke, Robert Polito, Emily Skillings, Richard Thomas, and Lawrence Weschler, October 2016.
- #Before I Die Event at Perkins Art Center, Collingswood, NJ, October 2016.
- Warren County Community College, Washington, NJ, October 2016
- Writing by Writers, Tomales Bay, CA, October 2016.
- Austin Community College, Austin, TX, September 2016.
- Provincetown Book Festival, Provincetown, MA, September 2016.
- Santa Fe University of Art and Design, Santa Fe, NM, September 2016 (online).
- Second Tuesday Lecture Series, LGBT Center, New York, NY, July 2016.
- Conjunctions Reading (Affinity Issue), Penn Book Center, Philadelphia, PA, June 2016.

- Strand Books, New York, NY, June 2016.
- Printers Row Lit Festival, Chicago, IL, June 2016.
- The Four Way Books Annual Benefit at Poets House, New York, NY, May 2016.
- Graywolf Press Benefit, New York, NY, May 2016.
- Inkwood Books, Haddonfield, NJ, May 2016.
- LIC Reading Series, Queens, NY, May 2016.
- Biello Martin Studio, Philadelphia, PA, April 2016.
- Bethesda Literary Festival, Bethesda, MD, April 2016.
- CityLit Festival, Baltimore, MD, April 2016.
- Los Angeles Festival of Books, Los Angeles, CA, April 2016.
- Malaprop’s Bookshop, Asheville, NC, April 2016.
- Mission Creek Festival, Iowa City, IA, April 2016.
- West Chester University, West Chester, PA, April 2016.
- Big Blue Marble Bookstore, Philadelphia, PA, March 2016.
- Magers and Quinn Booksellers, Minneapolis, MN, March 2016.
- Saint Elizabeth’s College, Morristown, NJ, March 2016.
- Seminary Cooperative Bookstore, Chicago, IL, March 2016.
- Brazos Books, Houston, TX, February 2016.
- BookPeople, Austin, TX, February 2016.
- Booksmith, San Francisco, CA, February 2016.
- The Elliott Bay Book Company, Seattle, WA, February 2016.
- Housing Works Bookstore Cafe, New York, NY, February 2016.
- Houston Community College, Houston, TX, February 2016.
- Powell’s City of Books, Portland, OR, February 2016.
- San Francisco Art Institute, San Francisco, CA, February 2016.
- University of Texas, Austin, TX, February 2016.
- Writers at Camden Series, Rutgers University-Camden, February 2016.
- Community Bookstore, Brooklyn, NY, January 2016.
- Literati Bookstore, Ann Arbor, MI, January 2016.
- Philly AIDS Thrift at Giovanni’s Room, Philadelphia, PA, January 2016.
- Politics and Prose, Washington, DC, January 2016.
- 2-1-5 Festival, Philadelphia, PA, November 2015.
- Borough of Manhattan Community College, New York, NY, October 2015.
- Hatchery Reading Series, Philadelphia, PA, October 2015.
- Bloomsday Celebration, Philadelphia, PA, June 2015.
- Drexel University, Philadelphia, PA, June 2015.
- Collage Festival, Philadelphia, PA, May 2015.
- Four Way Books at Bureau of General Services-Queer Division, New York, NY, May 2015.
- Denver Quarterly Group Reading, Minneapolis, MN, April 2015.

- Elm Leaves Journal Group Reading, Magers & Quinn Bookstore, Minneapolis, MN, April 2015.
- Shelfish, Shallow and Self-Absorbed Anthology Reading, Housing Works Bookstore, New York, NY, March 2015.
- Tire Fire Series, Philadelphia, PA, March 2015.
- Intermezzo Series, Tucson, AZ, February 2015.
- Pen and Pencil, Philadelphia, PA, February 2015.
- Red Sofa Series, Philadelphia, PA, January 2015.
- Say Something NYC Poetry Rally, New York, NY, December 2014.
- University of San Francisco, San Francisco, CA, October 2014.
- Elizabethtown College, Elizabethtown, PA, April 2014.
- Anthology Reading at Sam's Tavern, Seattle, WA, February 2014.
- Queertopia 2 Group Reading, Seattle, WA, February 2014.
- StoryQuarterly Group Reading, Seattle, WA, February 2014.
- Shelf Life Series, Brooklyn, NY, February 2014.
- Conjunctions Reading (Menagerie Issue), Community Bookstore, Brooklyn, NY, January 2014.
- Miami Book Fair International, Miami, FL, November 2013.
- Rosemont College, Rosemont, PA, November 2013.
- She Has a Name Reading at Dumbo Sky, Brooklyn, NY, November 2013.
- Literary Death Match at Underground Arts, Philadelphia, PA, November 2013.
- Brookdale Community College, Lincroft, NJ, April 2013.
- Four Way Books 20th Anniversary Reading at AWP, Boston, MA, March 2013.
- Who's Yer Daddy Anthology Reading at First Church, Boston, MA, March 2013.
- Couplet Reading Series, New York, NY, February 2013.
- Readings at Google, New York, NY, February 2013.
- Sierra Nevada College, Incline Village, NV, January 2013.
- Fine Arts Work Center in Provincetown, Provincetown, MA, November 2012.
- American University, Washington, DC, October 2012.
- Bucks County Community College, Newtown, PA, April 2012.
- Atlantic Cape Community College, Mays Landing, NJ, March 2012.
- Bloom/Divining Divas Group Reading, Chicago, IL, March 2012.
- Fence Reading, Housing Works Bookstore, New York, NY, March 2012.
- Fiction Addiction Series, New York, NY, March 2012.
- Salisbury University, Salisbury, MD, March 2012.
- VCCA Turns Forty!: An Anniversary Reading, AWP, Chicago, IL, March 2012.
- A Wild Night with Sugar and The Rumpus Starring Cheryl Strayed, with Alexander Chee, Gabrielle Hamilton, Elyssa East, Max Fenton, Stephen Elliott, others, New York, NY, March 2012.

- Washington College, Chestertown, MD, February 2012.
- Atlantic Center for the Arts, New Smyrna Beach, FL, January 2012.
- NonfictionNOW Conference, Iowa City, IA, October 2011.
- New York University, New York, NY, September 2011.
- Poetry-Go-Round, Bridgeton, NJ, September 2011.
- Clinton Bookstore, Clinton, NJ, August 2011.
- The Cake Shop, New York, NY, August 2011.
- Southampton Writers Conference, Southampton, NY, July 2011.
- Booksmith, San Francisco, CA, May 2011.
- Canio's Books, Sag Harbor, NY, May 2011.
- Hotel Rex, San Francisco, CA, May 2011.
- Watchung Booksellers, Montclair, NJ, May 2011.
- One Story Literary Debutante Ball, Brooklyn, NY, April 2011. (Mentor for Jerry Gabriel)
- Sunday Salon Series, New York, NY, April 2011.
- University of North Carolina Wilmington, Wilmington, NC, April 2011.
- University of Alaska Museum at Fairbanks, Fairbanks, AK, April 2011.
- College of Staten Island, Staten Island, NY, March 2011.
- 3 Dollar Bill, AWP Queer Reading, Washington, DC, February 2011.
- VIDA and the Men Who Love Us Reading, Washington, DC, February 2011.
- Experiments and Disorders Series, Dixon Place, New York, NY, December 2010.
- Projection Reading Series, Brooklyn, NY, November 2010.
- SUNY Adirondack, Queensbury, NY, November 2010.
- Tomales Bay Workshops, Marshall, CA, October 2010.
- Nantucket Atheneum, Nantucket, MA, August 2010.
- White Swallow Reading Series, New York, NY, August 2010.
- What's Your Exit Group Reading, Symposia Bookstore, Hoboken, NJ, June 2010.
- What's Your Exit Group Reading, New York University, New York, NY, May 2010.
- Other Means Reading Series, Brooklyn, NY, April 2010.
- Prairie Schooner Baby Boomer Issue Group Reading, Denver, CO, April 2010.
- Eckerd College, St. Petersburg, FL, March 2010.
- Georgia College and State, Milledgeville, GA, March 2010.
- Miami-Dade College, Miami, FL, March 2010.
- Rutgers University-Newark, Newark, NJ, March 2010.
- University of South Florida, Tampa, FL, March 2010.
- University of Tampa, Tampa, FL, March 2010.
- Valencia College, Orlando, FL, March 2010.

- Winter Poetry and Prose Getaway, Cape May, NJ, January 2010.
- Denise Gess Memorial Reading, City College, New York, NY, November 2009.
- University of San Diego, San Diego, CA, November 2009.
- Drew University, Madison, NJ, November 2009.
- Akron State University, Akron, OH, October 2009.
- Cleveland State University, Cleveland, OH, October 2009.
- Loyola College, Baltimore, MD, October 2009.
- Ocean City Arts Center, Ocean City, NJ, September 2009.
- Goddard College, Plainfield, VT, July 2009.
- Allegheny College, Meadville, PA, April 2009.
- Gay and Lesbian Literary Arts Festival, Stonewall Library and Archives,  
Fort Lauderdale, FL, April 2009.
- Georgia State University, Atlanta, GA, April 2009.
- Teachers and Writers Collaborative, New York, NY, March 2009.
- Stanford University, Palo Alto, CA, February 2009.
- Rhapsodomancy Series, Los Angeles, CA, January 2009.
- Atlanta Queer Literary Festival, Atlanta, GA, October 2008.
- Village Zendo Series, New York, NY, October 2008.
- Saints and Sinners Literary Festival, New Orleans, LA, May 2008.
- University of Oregon, Eugene, OR, April 2008.
- Cornell University, Ithaca, NY, February 2008.
- Mixer at The Cakeshop, New York, NY, June 2007.
- Rowan University, Glassboro, NJ, March 2007.
- Centro Cultural Ignacio Ramírez el Nigromante, San Miguel de Allende, GTO,  
Mexico, January 2007.
- Bread Loaf Writers Conference, Middlebury, VT, August 2006.
- Graywolf Press Reading at Gist Street Reading Series, Pittsburgh, PA, July  
2006.
- Grinder Reading Series at No Exit Café, Chicago, IL, October 2005.
- AIDS Project of Southern Vermont, Brattleboro, VT, April 2005.
- Rosenbach Museum and Library, Philadelphia, PA, March 2005.
- Vermont Studio Center, Johnson, VT, July 2004.
- University of North Carolina Wilmington Writers Week, Wilmington, NC,  
March 2004.
- American University, Washington, DC, February 2004.
- Not in Our Name: An Evening of Conscience, New York, NY, with Oscar  
Brown, Jr., Eve Ensler, Danny Glover, Andre Gregory, Jessica  
Hagedorn, Suheir Hammad, Marie Howe, Pete Seeger, Wallace Shawn,  
Marisa Tomei, Howard Zinn, others, October 2003.
- Open House Anthology Reading, Barnes & Noble-Chelsea, New York, NY,

June 2003.

- Lambda Literary Award Finalists Reading, New York, NY, June 2003.
- New York is Book Country, New York, NY, May 2003.
- Writers on the Edge Series, Newport, OR, May 2003.
- Buzzer Thirty Reading Series, Queens, NY, April 2003.
- Blacksmith House, Cambridge, MA, April 2003.
- Books & Books, Coral Gables, FL, April 2003.
- Creative Visions Bookstore, New York, NY, March 2003.
- A Different Light Bookstore, San Francisco, CA, October 2002.
- Portland State University, Portland, OR, October 2002.
- Skylight Books, Los Angeles, CA, October 2002.
- Three Lives Books, New York, NY, October 2002.
- We Think the World of You Bookstore, Boston, MA, October 2002.
- Title Wave Books, Anchorage, AK, April 2002.
- University of Alaska at Anchorage, Anchorage, AK, April 2002.
- Sarah Lawrence College, Bronxville, NY, September 2001.
- Associated Writing Programs Conference, Palm Springs, CA, April 2001.
- Community College of Philadelphia Spring Writers Series, Philadelphia, PA, March 2001.
- Behind Our Masks 3 Conference, Philadelphia, PA, October 2000.
- California State University at Fresno, Fresno, CA, July 2000.
- Beyond Baroque, Los Angeles, CA, June 2000.
- CCS Reading Series, New York, NY, May 2000.
- Fine Arts Work Center in Provincetown, Provincetown, MA, April 2000.
- Ohio State University, Columbus, OH, April 2000.
- University of Houston Library Reading Series, Houston, TX, April 2000.
- Hungry Mind Bookstore, St. Paul, MN, November 1999.
- Mountain Writers Series, Portland, OR, November 1999.
- Whitman College, Walla Walla, WA, November 1999.
- Community College of Philadelphia, Philadelphia, PA, October 1999.
- Cornelia Street Cafe Reading Series, New York, NY, October 1999.
- A Different Light Bookstores, Los Angeles, CA, October 1999.
- Houston Chronicle Book and Author Dinner, Houston, TX, October 1999.
- Brazos Bookstore, Houston, TX, October 1999.
- Cabbages and Kings Bookstore, Haddonfield, NJ, October 1999.
- Iowa Writers' Workshop, Iowa City, IA, October 1999.
- Prairie Lights Bookstore, Iowa City, IA, October 1999.
- Literary Sojourn, Steamboat Springs, CO, September 1999.
- DNA Gallery, Provincetown, MA, July 1999.
- Schoolhouse Gallery, Provincetown, MA, August 1998.

- Cranbrook Writers Retreat, Bloomfield Hills, MI, July 1998.
- University of Utah, Salt Lake City, UT, April 1998.
- Waking Owl Books, Salt Lake City, UT, April 1998.
- Phoenix College, Phoenix, AZ, February 1997.
- Outspoken Reading Series, OutWrite Conference, Boston, MA, February 1995.
- Fall Arts Festival, Provincetown, MA, October 1994.
- DNA Gallery, Provincetown, MA, July 1994.
- Harvard Extension School, Cambridge, MA, April 1993.
- Cafe Musicale, Provincetown, MA, March 1993.
- Wellfleet Public Library, Wellfleet, MA, April 1992.
- Cafe Musicale, Provincetown, MA, March 1992.
- Fine Arts Work Center in Provincetown, Provincetown, MA, November 1991.
- Rutgers University-Camden, June 1990.
- Iowa Writers' Workshop Reading Series, West Des Moines, IA, April 1990.

*Other Invited Addresses*

- East End Books, June 2026. Interviewed Benoit Denizet-Lewis.
- Books Are Magic, February 2026. Interviewed Reena Shah.
- 92nd Street Y, December 2025. Interviewed Elizabeth McCracken with Yiyun Li.
- Head Hi, September 2025. Interviewed Nora Wendl.
- Headhouse Books, July 2025. Interviewed Martha Anne Toll.
- Powerhouse Arena, May 2024. Interviewed Michael Deagler.
- Headhouse Books, September 2022. Interviewed Elisa Gabbert.
- Changing Hands Bookstore, November 2021. Interviewed Marco Wilkinson (online).
- Powerhouse Arena, October 2021. Interviewed Anne Elizabeth Moore.
- A Public Space, July 2021. #APSTogether Book Club for Qui Miaojin's *Notes of a Crocodile* (online).
- Greenlight Bookstore, June 2021. Interviewed Chaney Kwak (online).
- Booksmith, June 2021. Interviewed Matthew Clark Davidson (online).
- Center for Fiction, April 2021. Interviewed Elizabeth McCracken (online).
- Greenlight Bookstore, January 2021. Interviewed Julie Carrick Dalton (online).
- Book Club Bar, September 2020. Interviewed Nick Flynn (online).
- Books Are Magic, June 2020. Interviewed Genevieve Hudson (online).
- Seattle Arts and Lectures, May 2020. Interviewed E.J. Koh, Corinne Manning, and Kristen Millares Young (online).
- Greenlight Bookstore, September 2019. Interviewed Lara Prescott.
- WPU Spring Writers Conference, March 2019. Keynote Address.

- Blue Stoop, February 2019. Interviewed Jessica Chiccehitto Hindman.
- BookPeople, February 2019. Interviewed Elizabeth McCracken.
- Book Culture, November 2017. Interviewed Matthew Lansburgh.
- McNally Jackson Soho, July 2017. Interviewed Victoria Redel.
- Writers at Camden Reading Series, September 2016. Rutgers-Camden, Susan Muaddi Darraj. Introduction.
- Juniper Summer Writing Institute, June 2016. Interviewed Eileen Myles.
- Writers at Newark Reading Series, Rutgers-Newark, Elizabeth McCracken, March 2016. Introduction.
- Fine Arts Work Center in Provincetown, Annual Summer Award, July 2015. Interviewed Elizabeth McCracken, honoree.
- Writers at Rutgers Reading Series, Rutgers University, Mary Gaitskill, February 2013. Introduction.
- Writers at Rutgers Reading Series, Rutgers University, Denis Johnson, March 2012. Introduction.
- Writers at Rutgers Reading Series, Rutgers University, Lydia Davis, March 2011. Introduction.
- Philadelphia Stories, Push to Publish Conference, Rosemont College, October 16, 2010. Keynote Address.
- Writers at Newark Reading Series, Rutgers-Newark, H.G. Carrillo, September 2009. Introduction.
- Featured Guest, Rutgers University-Camden, 20th Anniversary Celebration of MA Program in English, May 2000
- Fine Arts Work Center in Provincetown, Summer Reading Series, Michael Cunningham, July 1992. Introduction.

*Selected Panels*

- “Chosen Family, Narrative Possibility.” AWP Conference, Baltimore, MD, March 2026.
- “Chosen Families.” AWP Conference, Philadelphia, PA, March 2022 (Featured Presenter).
- “Am I Really Going to Do This Until I Die?” AWP Conference, Portland, OR, March 2019.
- “Endings for the End Times?” AWP Conference, Portland, OR, March 2019.
- “Radical Surprise: The Art of Uncertainty.” NonfictionNOW Conference, Phoenix, AZ, November 2018.
- “Boys to Men: Short Fiction on Masculinity,” Texas Book Festival, Austin, TX, October 2018.
- “Fierce Muses,” AWP Conference, Tampa, FL, March 2018.

- “Hit the Ground Running: How to Build a Better Workshop,” AWP Conference, Tampa, FL, March 2018.
- “Memoir Time,” NonfictionNOW Conference, Reykjavik, Iceland, June 2017.
- “Looking Outward: Avoiding the Conventional Memoir,” AWP Conference, Washington, DC, February 2017.
- “Minimalist, Maximalist, Memoirist,” AWP Conference, Washington, DC, February 2017.
- “Fractured, Fluid, or Spiralized: Finding the Form to Suit the Story,” Writing by Writers Conference, Marshall, CA, October 2016.
- “Story as Survival: LGBTQ Memoir,” AWP Conference, Los Angeles, CA, April 2016.
- “The Poessaytics of Form,” NonfictionNOW Conference, University of Northern Arizona, Flagstaff, AZ, October 2015.
- “Process and Revision,” Juniper Summer Writing Institute, UMass Amherst, Amherst, MA, July 2015.
- “Practical Information for Post-MFA Writing Life,” AWP Conference, Minneapolis, MN, April 2015.
- “The Naked I: Nonfiction’s Exposed Voice,” AWP Conference, Seattle, WA, February 2014.
- “Progression by Digression: Multiple Narrative Lines in Creative Nonfiction,” AWP Conference, Boston, MA, March 2013.
- “Connecting with Readers via Your Website and Social Media,” AWP Conference, Chicago, IL, March 2012.
- “Flinging the Ink Pot: Resisting Messages About Off-Limits Subjects in Memoir,” AWP Conference, Washington, DC, February 2011.
- “Representing the Erotic in Literary Fiction,” AWP Conference, Washington, DC, February 2011.
- “The Wildness Suite: Writers on Wildness,” NonfictionNOW Conference, University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA, November 2010.
- “New Forms in Nonfiction and Poetry,” Writing by Writers Conference, Marshall, CA, October 2010.
- “Diva Complex, Gay Men Explore the Diversity and Meaning of Diva Worship,” AWP Conference, Denver, CO, April 2010.
- “Innovations in Teaching the Essay,” In Praise of the Essay: Practice & Form, Fordham University, New York, NY, April 2010.
- “Innovative Forms in Creative Nonfiction,” AWP Conference, Chicago, IL, February 2009.
- “Memoir and the Tightrope of True-ish-isms,” AWP Conference, New York, NY, January 2008.
- “All About the Heart: Writers Discuss Their Work with Children,” AWP

- Conference, New York, NY, January 2008.
- “Bodies. Spaces. Memories,” NonfictionNOW Conference, University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA, November 2007.
  - “On Writers’ Colonies,” AWP Conference, Austin, TX, March 2006.
  - “What’s Love Got to Do With It: The Semi-Lust of Sentimentality,” AWP Conference, Vancouver, BC, March-April 2005.
  - “Beyond ‘The Sopranos’: Literary New Jersey,” AWP Conference, Baltimore, February 2003.
  - “From the Mouths of Babes: Representing the Child’s Voice in Fiction and in Memoir,” AWP Conference, New Orleans, March 2002.
  - “The Pen and the Sword: Writing, Teaching, and Politics,” AWP Conference, Palm Springs, April 2001.
  - “Inherit the Wind: Do We Teach Writing or Insinuate It?” AWP Conference, Palm Springs, April 2001.
  - “Where is the Way We Live Now (Do Fiction Writers Have a Responsibility to Represent their Time)?” Behind Our Masks 3 Conference, Philadelphia, October 2000.
  - “Character in Fiction,” OutWrite Conference, Boston, February 1999.
  - “The Short Story,” OutWrite Conference, Boston, February 1998.
  - “The Life of the Writer,” Rutgers-Camden Summer Writers’ Conference, Camden, NJ, July 1996.

#### *Published Conference Proceedings*

“Fractal Form: On Learning to Read Again.” In *Occasional Papers on the Essay Practice and Form, On Teaching the Essay*, ed. Kim Kupperman (Welcome Table Press), 4-8, 2010. Talk was part of the In Praise of the Essay: Practice & Form Symposium with Mimi Schwartz, Michael Sternberg, and Elizabeth Stone, Fordham University, New York, NY. April 24, 2010.  
[www.welcometablepress.org/s/PANEL-Innovations-in-Teaching-the-Essay.pdf](http://www.welcometablepress.org/s/PANEL-Innovations-in-Teaching-the-Essay.pdf)

#### *Performances*

- Lisicky, Paul, reader. *Song So Wild and Blue: A Life with the Music of Joni Mitchell*. By Paul Lisicky. HarperAudio, New York, New York. 2025. Audiobook.
- Froomkin, Joel, reader. *Later: My Life at The Edge of the World*. By Paul Lisicky. Recorded Books, Prince Frederick, Maryland. 2020. Audiobook.

Lisicky, Paul, reader. *Later: My Life at The Edge of the World*. *Storybound*, Season 3. 2020. Podcast.

Neely-Cohen, Maxwell, perf. *Volcano*. By Paul Lisicky. Culture Hub, New York. 8 June 2018. Performance.

### *Collaborative Projects*

*7 Brewster Street*. Forthcoming. Text and photograph and painting collaboration with Barbara Cohen.

*Portal*. November 2021. Text and photograph and painting collaboration with Barbara Cohen.

*Later*. Fine Arts Work Center in Provincetown Monoprint Project, Provincetown, Massachusetts. August 2019. Text and pen and ink collaboration with Polly Burnell.

*Pasture of Darkness*. Fine Arts Work Center in Provincetown 50th Anniversary Project, Provincetown, Massachusetts. August 2018. Text and pen and ink collaboration with Polly Burnell.

*Too Late for A Good Wink*. *Puncture Zine*, Fifth Edition. February 2015. Text and painting collaboration with Catherine T. Nelson.

### *Film*

Paul Lisicky, interviewee, *How We Got Here*, directed by David Shields (Sublation Media), 2024.

### *Committees*

- Invited Judge, Arts Organization (name withheld for confidentiality), 2026.
- Mary Roberts Rinehart Nonfiction Award, Judge, 2025.
- Corporation of Yaddo, Juror, 2025, 2022, 2014, 2013, 2012, 2011, 2010.
- Ohio Arts Council, Panelist in Nonfiction, 2024.

- Etruscan Prize, Judge, 2024.
- Fine Arts Work Center in Provincetown, Fiction Juror, 2022, 2018 (foreman), 2016, 2014, 2010, 2007, 2003, 2001, 2000, 1993.
- MacArthur Foundation, Recommender, 2022.
- New Letters Award in Nonfiction, Judge, 2021.
- Ploughshares Emerging Writer Award in Nonfiction, Judge, 2021.
- Firecracker Award, Community of Literary Magazines and Presses, Nonfiction Juror, 2021.
- Virginia Center for the Creative Arts Anthology, Co-editor, 2019-2020.
- Autumn House Full-Length Nonfiction Contest, Judge, 2019.
- Levis Prize in Fiction, The Program for Writers at Warren Wilson College, Judge, 2018.
- Oregon Book Prize in Nonfiction, Juror, 2018.
- Emory University Undergraduate Creative Nonfiction Contest, Judge, 2018.
- Gigantic Sequins* Flash Creative Nonfiction Contest, Judge, 2018.
- Publishing Triangle Awards, Nonfiction Juror, 2018.
- Scholastic Art & Writing Awards, Final Round Writing Juror, 2018.
- Firecracker Award, Community of Literary Magazines and Presses, Fiction Judge, 2017.
- MacArthur Foundation, Nominator, 2017.
- Michener Center for Writers, Outstanding MFA Thesis, Judge, 2017.
- Wachtmeister Award in Nonfiction, Virginia Center for the Creative Arts, Judge, 2016.
- Proximity Personal Essay Prize, Judge, 2016.
- University of Texas-Austin, New Writers Project, Reader, 2015.
- Folio Lit Journal Essay Prize, Judge, 2014.
- Whiting Prize, Nominator, 2014.
- StoryQuarterly* magazine, Rutgers University-Camden, Editor, 2013—
- Mead* magazine, Assistant Editor, 2012-2016.
- Hippocampus Creative Nonfiction Prize, Judge, 2013.
- Corporation of Yaddo Panelist, 2010-2014.
- InterBoard Poetry Community (IBPC), Judge, October-December 2010.
- Pew Foundation Fellowships, Fiction Panelist, 2011, 2010.
- Mason's Road* magazine, Advisor, 2010-2011.
- Arts & Letters/Susan Atefat Prize for Creative Nonfiction, Judge, 2011.
- Delaware Council on the Arts, Fiction Judge, 2009.
- Pennsylvania Council on the Arts, Panelist in Nonfiction, 2008.
- Touchstone Anthology of Contemporary Creative Nonfiction*, Nominator, 2007.
- Scribner Anthology of Contemporary Short Fiction*, Nominator, 2007.
- Connecticut Council on Culture and Tourism, Panelist in Fiction, 2006.
- Massachusetts Cultural Council, Panelist in Fiction, 2006.
- Massachusetts Cultural Council, Reader in Fiction, 2008, 2004, 2002.

- Bellingham Review, Annie Dillard Prize in Creative Nonfiction, Judge, 2004.
- University of Oregon, Kidd Prizes in Fiction, Judge, 2003.
- Fine Arts Work Center in Provincetown, Writing Committee Member (elected May 2000, ongoing).
- Pew Foundation Fellowships, Interdisciplinary Panelist (Fiction, Creative Nonfiction, Media Arts, Works on Paper), 2001.
- Pew Foundation Fellowships, Fiction/Creative Nonfiction Panelist in Fiction/Creative Nonfiction, 2001.
- Lambda Literary Awards, Fiction Judge, 2001.
- Loft-McKnight Award for Fiction/Creative Nonfiction, Judge, 2000.
- Blithe House Quarterly* (<http://www.blithe.com>), Guest Editor, Fall 2000 issue.
- PEN American Center, Member, 1999—
- Rice University, George Williams Prize for Fiction, Judge, 1999.
- Fine Arts Work Center in Provincetown, Senior Fellowship, Panelist in Fiction/Creative Nonfiction, 1998.
- Fine Arts Work Center in Provincetown, Fall Arts Festival Reading Organizer, 1992, 1993.
- Shankpainter*, General Editor, 1993 issue.
- Shankpainter*, Fiction Editor, 1992 issue.

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