September 30, 2014

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January 27, 2015

Jayne Anne Phillips is the author of seven books. Her most recent, Quiet Dell, was a Wall Street Journal Best Fiction of 2013 selection and a Kirkus Review Best Fiction of 2013 selection. A National Book Award finalist and twice an NBA finalist, she is a recipient of Guggenheim National Endowment for the Arts, Howard, and Bunting Fellowships, the Sue Kaufman Prize and an Academy Award in Literature. Phillips is Professor of English and Director of the MFA Program at Rutgers University - Newark.

February 3, 2015

Jan Heller Levi is author of three books of poems: Ophir, Skywatch, winner of the Emily Dickinson Award of the Poetry Society of America, and Once I Kept at You in Wisconsin, which won the Walt Whitman Award of the Academy of Poets. She is currently writing the biography of Marcel Ruyters (with Christopher Nalini) and is consulting editor for the new edition of The Collected Poems of Marcel Ruyters.

February 13, 2015

Adrian Matejka is the author of three award-winning books of poems, including The Devil's Garden, three-time Pulitzer Prize, poet, and journalist. His non-fiction books include The Good Soldiers and Thank You for Your Service. Matejka's latest book, Big Smoke, was finalist for the 2013 National Book Awards and 2013 National Book Critics Circle's Award.

March 10, 2015

Hilton Als is the author of two books of non-fiction: The Women and White Girls. Als has written for The New Yorker and The Village Voice, and has served as editor-at-large for The. He is recipient of a Guggenheim Fellowship, the George Jean Nathan Award for Drama Criticism, and the Berlin Prize of the American Academy in Berlin.

Robert Olen Butler has published fifteen novels, including A Good Scorn from a Strange Mountain, which won the 1993 Pulitzer Prize for Fiction. He is the recipient of the S. Scott Fitzgerald Award for Outstanding Achievement in American Literature. Among his accolades are the Richard and Hindy Rosenthal Foundation Award, a Guggenheim Fellowship, and two National Magazine Awards in Fiction.

March 26, 2015

Roger Reeves is the author of King Me. His poems have appeared in Poetry, The Paris Review, American Poetry Review, Boston Review, Tin House, and 2014 Pushcart Prize. Reeves was awarded a 2013 National Endowment for the Arts Literature Fellowship and a 2008 Ruth Lilly Fellowship. He is currently a 2014 Hodder Fellow at Princeton.

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April 18, 2015

Ernesto Quispe is the author of two novels, Bodega Dreams, and Chasing Fire. Bodega Dreams, heralded as "the new immigrant classic" by the New York Times, was chosen as a Barnes & Noble Discover Great New Writers pick and named a "Best Book" by the New York Times and Los Angeles Times. Chasing Fire satisfied his reputation as a voice for a new generation of Latinos. He has written numerous articles for the New York Times.

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