

Hailed by American and European literary review experts as one the greatest up and coming actprovoking writers, is LaDonna Marie. The literary artist is an award-winning, international and best selling author. She also is a motivational speaker and founder of Planting Positive Seeds.

Having earned some of the industry's most glowing reviews, the critically acclaimed writer will be the first to tell you that she traveled a long way to the remarkable destination she now enjoys.

LaDonna published her first poem in an anthology, "Whispers with The League of American Poets," in 2007, and went on to self-publish her freshman book, "Expressions of the Mind, Body & Soul," three years later. Without any effort on her part, she was recognized and received a Certificate of Congratulations from Congressman Bennie Thompson, 2nd district of Mississippi.

There's nothing minimalist about her accomplishments which include wide-ranging collaborations and associations ranging from a U. S. Representative, to Australia, London, South Africa, and Italy hosts.

In addition to her extraordinary and unprecedented impact upon the literary industry, she's also a vibrant keynote and motivational speaker for several youth groups. LaDonna has a penchant for inspiring entrepreneurs, children, artists, writers and politicians, alike.

The world-renowned writer can be inspirational and melancholy. At one moment she's vulnerable; the next, she's conveying a display of empowerment. Her astonishing talent and proverbial delivery paints portraits in vivid detail for secular and spiritual audiences alike.

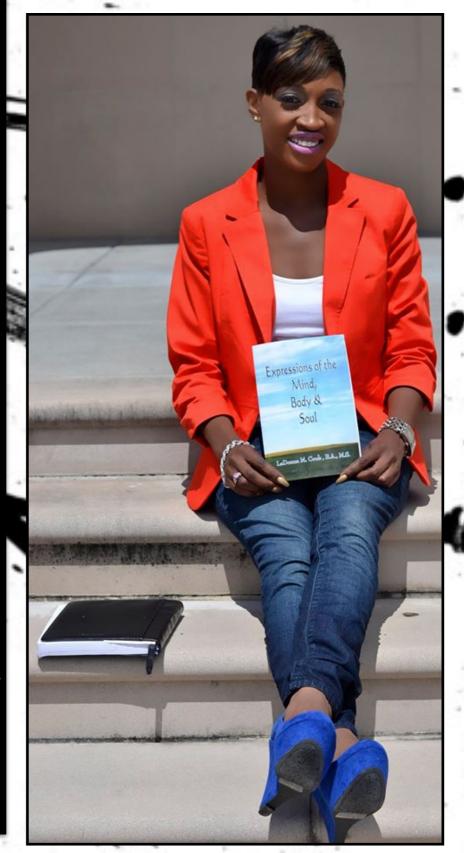
LaDonna Marie says that "Becoming a writer and my love for words are my passions and greatest gifts from God. They help me maintain a humble spirit."

She loves creating an atmosphere for learning and growth. She's often quoted by a variety of publications such as The Glory Journal, ASU Alumni Magazine, and Sibella Poetry Magazine.

Her book titles such as, "Until Tomorrow Comes," "Lessons: Shattered Pieces Being Restored 2014," and "Quiet Moments with God," and have all yielded world-wide attention. She is the recipient of more than a dozen awards including a 2012, Humanitarian Award, and the 2014 DJ Gatsby Book Club Literary Award in Poetry.

LaDonna Marie received her B. A., in Social Work from Alcorn State University in 2005. She earned a M. S., in Counseling Studies from Capella University; and a M. A., from South University in Professional Counseling, respectively. In addition to consulting, Marie delivers keynotes, trainings, writer insights, networking and strategy sessions. Her book titles are available on Amazon and Barnes and Noble. "Until Tomorrow Comes" received a Five Star Literary Book Review from Readers' Favorite, and a Four Star Professional Literary Book award from Red City Review. Originally from Mississippi, she now makes her home in Georgia with her two wonderful children Landon and Lathan Cook.

# Biography



Inducted Who's Who in Black Mississippi 2012
Certificate of Congratulations for Congressman Bennie Thompson
Humanitarian Award 2012
Nominated for Stiletto Woman In Business Award 2013

Runner up for Writer category in Best of Liberty County 2013 #2 and #3 on Amazon Best Selling Top 100

March Book of the Month DJ Gatsby Book Club 2014

2014 Paris Book Festival Honorable Mention 2014 DJ Gatsby Book Club Literary Award in Poetry

#56 #65 #88 Amazon Best Selling Top 100

2015 Finalist for Diva Author/Writer international Award

One of the Years 10 Best Books of 2014

#48 Best Selling Lessons: Shattered Pieces Being Restored

Contributing Writer/ Anthologies/ Magazines/Newspaper League of American Poets 2007 Anthology: Whispers

The Fayette Chronicle Newspaper 2011

**The Glory Journal 2011** 

**UBAWA Magazine 2013** 

SHINE Magazine (online) 2014

City Girl Magazine 2014

**YOUnique Magazine 2014** 

**ASU Alumni Magazine** 

Anthology: The Gospel According to Poetry 2014

The Gospel According to Poetry Spoken word CD

Pecioustones Magazine January Issue / April Issue 2014

C Hub London Magazine April Issue 2014

BlaQ Rayn Poetry Publications 3 April Issue 2014

Image and Style Magazine 2014

**Brown Collective 2014** 

Sibella Poetry Magazine for entire year 2014

**Honey Drip Magazine August Issue 2014** 

**Urban Grapevine Magazine November/ Dec 2014** 

**Co-Author Tainted Elegance: Simply Beautiful** 





Until Tomorrow Comes was awarded Honorable Mention in the 2014 Paris Book Festival 2014 DJ Gatsby Book Club Literary Award Winner in Poetry.

Until Tomorrow Comes received a Five Star Literary Book Review from Readers' Favorite Four Star Professional Literary Book Review from Red City Review 2015 Finalist in Divas of Colour International Diva Author/Writer Category.

Lessons: Shattered Pieces received Five Star Review from Readers' Favorite Author LaDonna Marie's Appearance on Red Letter TV ~ Interview Lessons Shattered Pieces is a Finalist in the 9th Annual National Indie Excellence Awards 2015

When LaDonna is not spilling ink to paper she can be found speaking at different engagements.

She speaks often about life experiences, the road to success as well as the inspiration behind her writings.

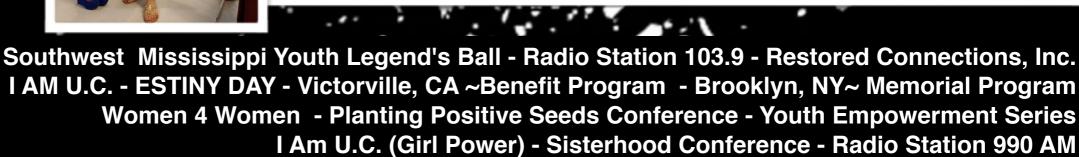
LaDonna can be hired to speak at public engagements as well as workshops and poetry readings.



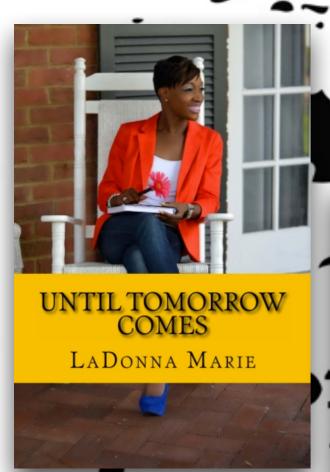




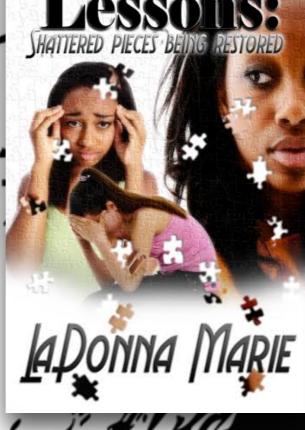




Until Tomorrow Comes Book Signing & Celebration - Radio Station 88.4 FM - 2nd Annual Women Without Titles



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LaDonna M. Cook, B.A., M.S.

More info on books can be found at http://www.ladonnamariebooks.com/Books.html



### Tone Williams said:

I loved your poem on My Rays of Light Radio Network this week. Keep doing your things!

### Jonathan Vernon said:

My eyes are always open for people like you. Thank you for making the world a better place!

### Veronica Duncan said:

I am so proud of you!! It is my hope that your words continue to inspire others! :-)

## Chandler Knight said:

Just want to say bravo!!! Please keep being the wonderful positive person you are.

# Tony Davis said:

An intimate look inside the heart of a woman that has seen a lot of life. I think this will truly help someone.

### Sezoni Whitfield said:

LaDonna, I've enjoyed all your Twitter and podcasts interviews. And I'm looking forward to learning more about Until Tomorrow Comes. You're an inspiration to all! xoxo!

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Feel free to reach out for interviews, book signings, workshops, speaking engagements and more.