

MARY LUCILLE HAYS

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EDUCATION

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| MURRAY STATE UNIVERSITY, MURRAY, KENTUCKY | 2017 |
| M.F.A. in Fiction Writing | |
| THESIS: <i>Ruth Harris: Under the Prairie Moon</i> | |
| ADVISER: Tommy Hays | |
| CITY UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK CITY | 1995 |
| M.A. in Creative Writing | |
| THESIS: <i>Dead Pets in the Closet and Other Tales from the Midwest</i> | |
| ADVISER: Linsey Abrams | |
| UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS AT URBANA-CHAMPAIGN | 1990 |
| B.A. in Rhetoric | |

EMPLOYMENT

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| UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS | URBANA, ILLINOIS |
| | January, 2000-Present |

Adjunct Faculty

Senior Instructor of English—In the Classroom and Online Courses

Basic Writing

First Year Composition

Creative Writing

Literature

Related Activities

Developed an Online Literature Course for GIS (Now OCON)

“Introduction to American Literature”

Developed a Special Topics Course for PPW

“Ethical Communication and Personal Exploration”

Named to *Incomplete List of Teachers Rated Excellent by their Students*

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| Creative Writing | Spring 2001, Spring 2003 |
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| Rhet 102 (Basic Writing) | Spring 2013 |
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| Rhet 100 (Tutorials) | Spring 2013 |
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| Rhet 101 (Basic Writing) | Summer 2014 |
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| Rhet 101 (Basic Writing) | Fall, 2016 |
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ACTIVITIES

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| TWO BIRDS ON THE LAND WRITING WORKSHOPS | WHITE HEATH, ILLINOIS |
| Workshop Leader | 2011-Present |

Plan and lead daylong writing workshops and retreats—create advertising, manage the registration, plan activities, lead the workshop, plan for catering, collect money, administer scholarships, and handle the budget.

ACTIVITIES, CONTINUED

NEW STONE CIRCLE

WHITE HEATH, ILLINOIS

Fiction Editor

1994-2004

Founded a Literary Journal—solicited submissions, selected entries, copyedited manuscripts, designed and printed the journal, laid out the magazine, managed the subscription database, administered the annual contest, handled the budget, wrote grants.

AWARDS AND FELLOWSHIPS

MFA PROGRAM, MURRAY STATE UNIVERSITY

Phi Kappa Phi

2017

Jesse Stuart Fellowship

2015

ENGLISH DEPARTMENT, UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS

Undergraduate Teaching Award

2015

Thatcher Guild Memorial Poetry Prize

1990

Leah F. Trelease Short Story Award

1989

ILLINOIS CENTER FOR THE BOOK

Gwendolyn Brooks Award

2007

PIPISTRELLE

Best of Small Press Award

1999

PUBLICATIONS

Weekly Column

NEWS GAZETTE FAMILY NEWSPAPERS

“Letter From Birdland”

March, 2008-Present

Stories

QUIDDITY

“A Woman Is Wearing Her Prettiest Dress”

2017

CHASING MAGIC

“The Sidewinder and the Buffalo Child”

2017

EVERY DAY FICTION

“Maybe in a Tornado”

February 25, 2017

BROAD! A GENTLEPERSON’S MAGAZINE

“Encounter”

Winter 2015

SHORT FICTION BREAK

“Horse Dreams”

August 13, 2015

BACKYARD POULTRY

“Fresh Eggs: Like the Hobbit’s Riddle”

December 2012/January 2013

“Michael and the Turkish Heritage Chicks”

October/November 2009

“The Tale of the Quail and Dixie, the Accidental Bunny”

April/May, 2007

ANOTHER CHICAGO MAGAZINE, NUMBER 34

“Point of Reference”

1998

COAL CITY REVIEW

“Spyder, Spyder, Burning Bright”

April, 1993

Poetry

PENINSULA PULSE

“Snow Route” (Honorable Mention, Poetry Contest)

2001

PUBLICATIONS, CONTINUED

Poetry

THE MID-AMERICA POETRY REVIEW

“Ghost Lilies” Spring, 2001

BLUE VIOLIN

“hilar adenopathy” Spring, 2000

COAL CITY REVIEW

“Freud Says my Dreams about Losing Teeth are Sexual” 1992

“To an Ex-lover and D. H. Lawrence” 1990

PRAIRIE FREE PRESS

“The Lord’s Prayer” 1989

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“For V. Woolf” 1986

Articles

THE OCTOPUS AND PRAIRIE FREE PRESS 1986-1999

READINGS

ILLINI UNION BOOKSTORE

Champaign, Illinois

Stories and Poems

May, 2002

THE WHITE STREET ARTS CENTER

Champaign, Illinois

Poems

October, 1999

THE WRITERS’ CENTER

Kansas City, Missouri

Stories and Poems

Winter, 1998

THE ARSENAL IN CENTRAL PARK

New York, New York

Stories

Winter, 1991

PAPERS

ALLERTON ARTICULATION CONFERENCE

Monticello, Illinois

“‘Gotcha!’ vs. Plagiarism as a Teaching Tool”

April, 2002

BOOK REVIEWS

Review in *New Madrid* of *Without Leave*

Winter 2016

by Deborah Flemming: The Black Mountain Press

Review of *The Business Writer’s Handbook*, 8th edition

May 2007

by Alred, Oliu, and Brusaw: Bedford/St. Martin’s

Review of *The Bedford Handbook*, 7th edition

May 2005

by Diana Hacker: Bedford/St. Martin’s

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

Association of Writers and Writing Programs

2014-Present

National Council of Teachers of English

2013-Present

References Available Upon Request