

Rosemarie Wilson aka One Single Rose<sup>TM</sup> Poet/Spoken Word Artist/Singer/Actress/Playwright

In the second grade, Rosemarie Wilson won her first poetry contest which provoked her love for poetry. After a long hiatus from exploring poetry, graduating college and working a 9-5, she almost broke into the music business in 1999, but instead opted to place her songs on paper in poetic form a few years later. She began writing for her first poetry collection in 2005 and was given the pen name One Single Rose while editing a book for a very good friend. Rosemarie then began promoting motivational poetry in 2007 and gave birth to her first baby, *One Single Rose* . . . *Poetry Blossomed from a Rose Core* on her birthday in 2009. Her poetic journey began as a poet in 2009, but shifted into spoken word the following year. Six years young from the first time she authored a full poetry collection, Rosemarie has been dubbed an inspirational poet. She is a triple threat--a singer with a seven octave range, a poet who writes nice and naughty poetry and an actress/playwright. The journey she travels in these artistic genres has been amazing.

The emotional struggle of Rosemarie's addition of spoken word performances into her repertoire was difficult. After shedding fears of delivering her pieces on the mic, her spoken word journey officially took flight during her second performance in June 2010. Two months later, on August 21, 2010 she was named 2010 Poetry Author of the Year and New & Upcoming Poet of the Year at the 1st Annual National Poetry Award (NPA) ceremony in Raleigh, North Carolina. In 2011, Rosemarie was nominated as Poetry Author of the Year with the National Poetry Awards—2014 marked her third nomination and in 2015, her CD Poetic Truth was voted Poetry/Spoken Word Album of the Year with the NPAs. Her poems have received honors in the Detroit Writers' Guild Paul Laurence Dunbar Poetry Contest. In 2010 "Eyes Back to Basics" won 1st place, "I'm Down To:" received honorable mention in 2012 "Goliath Brown" received honorable mention in 2013 and "The Jasmine Tree" received honorable mention in 2015. Another of her love poems "As One" won a 2011 online Valentine's Poetry Contest. She receives frequent requests to pen poems for individuals and groups on various subject matters with empowerment for her sisters and domestic violence prevention on the forefront. Rosemarie has also made national and international appearances ever since she stepped out on faith allowing poetry to pave her path.

For more information on Rosemarie Wilson aka One Single Rose, please visit www.onesinglerose.com.

#### **Degrees/Certificates**

2003- Davenport University - B.A. In Business Management

#### **Self-Published Releases**

#### **Print**

2009 – One Single Rose . . . Poetry Blossomed from a Rose Core

2012 - One Single Rose Out of Darkness Into Light

2017 - Miss Detroit®

# Print (Chapbooks)

2012 – Pearl's Plays

2013 – For My Sisters

2015 – Miss Detroit® "Detroit Peaces"

### <u>Audio</u>

2012 – Randal V. Wilson's "A Promise to Myself" featuring Rosemarie Wilson's poem dedicated to Randal entitled "Guitar Man" [Spoken Word/Jazz] (iTunes)

2014 – "Poetic Truth" (available on iTunes)

"Straight Up—No Chaser" (Pearl)

#### Honors/Awards

- △ 2010 National Poetry Award Poetry Author of the Year and New & Upcoming Poet of the Year
- △ 2010 1st Place Winner Detroit Writers' Guild Paul Laurence Dunbar Poetry Contest
- △ 2010/2011/2013/2015 Who's Who in Black Detroit Honoree
- △ 2011 National Poetry Award Poetry Author of the Year Nominee
- △ 2012 SAFE (Sisters Acquiring Financial Empowerment) Ambassador Award Recipient
- △ 2012 Honorable Mention Recipient Detroit Writers' Guild Paul Laurence Dunbar Poetry Contest
- △ 2012 Member of Poor Man's Art Collective (PMAC)
- △ 2012 SvMixMedia.com Performance Artist of the Year
- △ 2013 Host of Open Mic Poetry in the Spotlight at Manila Bay Café
- △ 2013 Contributor for Soul Letter Magazine
- △ 2013 Honorable Mention Recipient Detroit Writers' Guild Paul Laurence Dunbar Poetry Contest
- △ 2014 Host for the First Open Mic on Martin Luther King, Jr. Day at the Detroit Historical Museum
- △ 2014 Detroit Metro Times' Reader's Choice Best Local Poet
- △ 2014 Outstanding Poetry Judge for Emerson College's 33<sup>rd</sup> Annual EVVY Awards
- △ 2014 Motown Museum Motown Mic—The Spoken Word 2014 Artist of the Year
- △ 2014 National Poetry Award Poetry Author of the Year Nominee
- ▲ 2014 Spoken Word Billboard Awards Lyrical Influence Spoken Word Community/Song Artist of the Year Nominee
- △ 2015 Kroger "I Can Make History" poetry contest judge
- △ 2015 Outstanding Poetry Judge for Emerson College's 34th Annual EVVY Awards
- △ 2015 Detroit Metro Times' Reader's Choice Best Poet
- △ 2015 First poet published under Broadside Lotus Press' merger
- △ 2015 National Poetry Award Poetry/Spoken Word Album of the Year
- ▲ 2015 Honorable Mention Recipient Detroit Writers' Guild Paul Laurence Dunbar Maya Angelou Poetry Contest
- △ 2016 Outstanding Poetry Judge for Emerson College's 35th Annual EVVY Awards
- △ 2016 First Place Winner in the Hessler Street Fair Poetry Anthology Competition
- △ 2016 National Poetry Award Poetry Author of the Year Nominee
- △ 2017 Hug Detroit Spirit Award Recipient
- △ 2017 Outstanding Poetry Judge for Emerson College's 37<sup>th</sup> Annual EVVY Awards
- △ 2017 Kroger "I Can Make History" poetry contest judge
- △ 2017 Signed as a Featured Artist with Defected Record's Classic Music Company
- △ 2017 Signed as a songwriter with Defected Records

#### **Anthologies**

- ▲ Battle of the Sexes, 2011
- △ Wave of Sorrow, April 2011
- ▲ Poets Pages Plus, September 2011
- ▲ Synchronized Ink, 2012
- ▲ Homeless Cry, 2012
- ▲ I want my poetry to . . . 2012
- △ G.R.I.T.S. (Girls Raised in the South), December 2013
- A B.U.S. Urban Scrawl, 2005-2015, 10 Years of 10-Minute Plays, March, 2016
- △ 2016 Hessler Street Fair Poetry Anthology, May 2016
- ▲ From Lipstick to Lust—A Love Letter to My Sister, May, 2016
- △ Delirious—A Poetic Celebration of Prince, June 2016
- ♣ #RESIST Writing Knights Press, July 2017

### **Acting Credits**

- ▲ Sweet Justice, Detroit, Michigan, August 2011
- ▲ Tainted, Detroit, Michigan, August/October/November 2011
- △ My Step Kids-DVD, November 2011
- A Mahogany Dreams, Detroit, Michigan, May 2012
- △ The Deal Breaker, Detroit, Michigan, July 2012/November 2014
- △ Chatline, Detroit, Michigan, November 2012
- ▲ Why Am I Black, Detroit, Michigan, February 2013/2014
- Motown Sunday, Detroit, Michigan, May 2013
- △ Headquarters, Detroit, Michigan, November 2013/2015
- ▲ Last Night Out, Detroit, Michigan, December 2013
- ▲ Who Shot Pookie, Detroit, Michigan, December 2013
- A Clear View (the Movie)—The Mark Barmore Story
- △ My Step Kid'z (the Sitcom)—WADL Channel 20 Detroit/Canada
- △ Wait for Love the Stage Play, Detroit, Michigan, April 2015
- A Bag Lady Kim Kelsey's One-Woman Show, Detroit, Michigan May 2015
- △ Gray Matter Detroit, Michigan, April 2016
- "Who Made the Potato Salad?" Detroit, Michigan 2016
- \* "Sister Act The Musical" Detroit, Michigan 2017

# Playwright/Producer/Director

- △ Poetically Speaking Detroit's "Trouble Don't Last," Detroit, Michigan, January 2012/October 2015
- Wunderbaum's "Detroit Dealers," Amsterdam/Utrecht/Rotterdam/Antwerpen/Ghent, 2012
- A Briccolage's "B.U.S. 8," Pittsburgh, PA, 2013
- ▲ Necwerk Production's "Good Timing," Detroit, Michigan, 2013
- △ "Poetic Peace," Detroit, Michigan, 2014
- A "ADDICTION," Detroit, Michigan, 2014
- \* "Addicted to ADDICTION," Detroit, Michigan 2015
- "Who Made the Potato Salad?" Detroit, Michigan 2016
- ▲ Bye, Felecia! Detroit, Michigan 2017
- "I'm ADDICTED 2," Detroit, Michigan 2018

#### One Single Roses Bloom motivational workshop series/mentoring sessions:

- ▲ Foreign Language Academy, Detroit, MI
- A Edison Elementary School, Detroit, Michigan
- A Detroit Community High School, Detroit, Michigan
- ▲ The Power of Girlhood, metro Detroit area
- A Spectrum Juvenile Justice Services, Highland Park, Michigan
- ▲ Henry Ford Academy, Detroit, Michigan
- ▲ Southfield Public School System Celebrity Reader Program

- ▲ Kenyatta University/Nairobi University, Nairobi, Kenya
- A Kisii University, Nairobi, Kenya
- A SASHA Center's six-week SASHA POETRY sessions, Detroit, Michigan
- ACE Academy four-week poetry class for male juvenile detainees, Highland Park, Michigan
- A NSpired Bullying Branding and Social Media Workshop, Greensboro, North Carolina
- A SASHA Center's two-week HIP (Healing is Possible) SERIES, Detroit, Michigan
- ▲ Soufriere Secondary Schools/Castries Central Library, St. Lucia, The Caribbean

# **Special Featured Performances**

- ▲ June 2012 Holland Festival, Amsterdam, The Netherlands
- August 2013 Performer for the African World Festival, Charles H. Wright African American Museum, Detroit, Michigan
- August 2014 Sidewalk Festival of Performing Arts, Artist Village, Detroit, Michigan
- August 2014 5<sup>th</sup> Annual National Poetry Awards, Marriott Waterfront Hotel, Norfolk, Virginia
- ▲ November 2014 Broadside Press Poets Theater featured reader, Detroit, Michigan
- February 2015 University of Windsor African Diaspora Festival, Windsor, Ontario, Canada
- April 2015 First One-Woman Show, Highland Park, Michigan
- △ June 2015 BPC Poetryfest, 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration, Atlanta, Georgia
- August 2015 Sidewalk Festival of Performing Arts, Artist Village, Detroit, Michigan
- August 2015 Kistrech Poetry Festival, Kisii and Nairobi, Kenya
- August 2015 Open Mic Host for the 33<sup>rd</sup> Annual African World Festival
- ▲ February 2016 Flovertex with the Floacist of Floetry, Highland Park, Michigan
- △ May 2016 2016 Hessler Street Fair, Cleveland, Ohio
- August 2016 Piton International Film Festival, St. Lucia, The Caribbean
- ▲ September 2016 7<sup>th</sup> Annual National Poetry Awards, Chicago, Illinois
- ▲ September/October 2016 1<sup>st</sup> Open Streets Detroit, Detroit, Michigan
- △ October 2016 Lift Up Your Hands Ministries Sign-Mime Concert, Detroit, Michigan
- △ October 2016 Busboys & Poets, Washington, DC
- ▲ May 2017 Featured Artist on Classic Music Company's "Loubar's Stars"
- △ June 2017 12<sup>th</sup> Annual BPC Poetryfest, Myrtle Beach, South Carolina
- August 2017 Sidewalk Festival of Performing Arts, Artist Village, Detroit, Michigan
- August 2017 Piton International Film Festival, St. Lucia, The Caribbean
- △ October 2017 Kistrech Poetry Festival, Kenya

# Quotes

- ▲ "I've been familiar with Rosemarie Wilson's writing and performances in the past. Always, she has been a poet that delivered eloquence in words to the highest level. Now after reading her newest work, I can say Rosemarie has shown me raw beauty in its most perfect form. Wilson's poetry leaves your soul jolted and excited and makes you want more. I feel empowered, amazed and grateful I had the opportunity to read the literary works of Ms. Wilson!" Sylvia Hubbard, Motown Writers Network
- ▲ "Overall, *Poetry Blossomed from a Rose Core* is a good read for anyone whose life is filled with colorful stories of growing up, and has had things to overcome, but has managed to pull it all together by acknowledging that every day is another lesson to be learned." Victor "Billione" Walker, Detroit Poetry Blog
- ▲ "Hollywood can use camera manipulation to speed up the process and show a flower as it blossoms. One Single Rose is the real life equivalent. Follow her and bear witness first hand as this rare flower comes into full bloom." J. Michael Collins, Publisher, SSW Magazine

# Cities/Countries Performed

- Los Angeles, CA
- ➤ Oakland, CA
- > Washington, DC
- > Atlanta, GA
- > Augusta, GA
- Macon, GA
- > Chicago, IL
- Matteson, IL
- > Detroit, MI
- Grand Rapids, MI
- > Flint, MI
- ➤ Kalamazoo, MI
- ➤ Lansing, MI
- > Pontiac, MI
- > St. Louis, MO
- > Greensboro, NC
- > Canton, OH
- > Cincinnati, OH
- Cleveland, OH
- Dayton, OH
- Toledo, OH
- ➤ Albuquerque, NM
- > Rio Rancho, NM
- ➤ Bronx, NY
- ➤ Brooklyn, NY
- > Rochester, NY
- Dallas, TX
- > Pittsburgh, PA
- ➤ Greenville, SC
- > Myrtle Beach, SC
- Manassas, VA
- ➤ Norfolk, VA
- Marblemount, WA
- ➤ Kisii, Kenya Africa
- ➤ Nairobi, Kenya Africa
- > Antwerpen, Belgium
- > Rotterdam, Belgium
- > Ghent, Belgium
- > Windsor, Ontario, Canada
- Castries, St. Lucia
- Rodney Bay, St. Lucia
- Soufriere, St. Lucia
- > Amsterdam, The Netherlands
- > Utrecht, The Netherlands























