

DR. ZELDA LOCKHART

Stories & Nature Heal



MEET *Zelda Lockhart*

Dr. Zelda Lockhart is a Fulbright Specialist. For over twenty years she has traveled the US and abroad to inspire audiences to connect across barriers of division and heal their personal and social wounds using their stories and experiences in nature.

Lockhart holds a PhD in Expressive Art Therapies. She is author of The Soul of the Full-Length Manuscript: Turning Life's Wounds into the Gift of Literary Fiction, Memoir or Poetry.

Lockhart is 2024 recipient of the Lambda Literary Foundation 2024 Outstanding Mid-career Novelist Prize for novels: Trinity HarperCollins 2023, French translation Entends ma voix, Fifth Born Simon & Schuster 2002 a Barnes & Noble Discovery selection and Zora Neale Hurston/Richard Wright Award finalist, Cold Running Creek a Black Caucus of the American Library Association Honor Fiction award winner, and Fifth Born II: The Hundredth Turtle a 2011 Lambda Literary Award finalist.

Focus

- Women's Empowerment
- Black Voices & The Global Black South
- LGBTQIA Pride & Advocacy
- Community Building

Samples

- **Stories Heal & Build Community** – Writing through conflict to dissolve barriers
- **Do What You Came Here to Do** – Evoking ancestral memory to illuminate life paths
- **Journaling in Nature** – Reconnecting to nature to heal generations and decolonize

“ Dr. Lockhart's presentation was not just a lecture but rather an immersive, interactive experience that captivated her audience from beginning to end. Through her innovative approach, she not only shared the essence of her novel but also fostered an environment ripe for dialogue and reflection, encouraging participants to engage in meaningful discussions that continued well beyond the confines of the event. ”

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