Celebrating Natasha Trethewey’s second term as U.S. poet laureate

Emory University is proud to celebrate the appointment of Natasha Trethewey, Robert W. Woodruff Professor of English and Creative Writing and director of the Creative Writing Program at Emory, to a second term as U.S. poet laureate. The Library of Congress announced in early June that her new term would begin in September.

Listen to Natasha Trethewey read her poem “Elegy” at last year’s Decatur Book Festival keynote on the Emory campus.

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Lucille Clifton exhibition ends this month

The MARBL exhibition “come celebrate with me: The Work of Lucille Clifton,” will close July 23. Treasures from her archive are on display, including an array of her poems—from the first she ever wrote in the 1950s to her last in 2010—as well as limited edition books and previously unseen photos from her childhood.

Clifton, who died in 2010, was best known for her distinctive lowercase style and simple yet powerful poems, many based on her experience as an African American woman in the 20th century. The exhibition is in MARBL, on level 10 of Emory’s Robert W. Woodruff Library; a companion exhibit of the children’s books Clifton wrote is on the main entrance level 2, near the business library.

In addition, we recently tracked down the audio from her reading at Emory University on March 8, 2006, and posted it online. Listen to the late poet on our “Danowski Released: Danowski Poetry Reading Series” album on Emory’s iTunes U channel.

Lucille Clifton reading at Emory University March 8, 2006 on iTunes U

Background information from the fall 2012 opening of the Lucille Clifton exhibition

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