

## Penny Micklebury

1948

**PENNY MICKELBURY** is the author of twelve mystery novels in three different series, two historical fiction novels, and a short story collection. Only the *Mimi Patterson/Gianna Maglione Mysteries* are still in publication--with [Bywater Books](#). She also has authored two novels of Historical Fiction, with the third due from **Bywater Books** in late 2023—*Two Wings to Cover Her Face*, the sequel to 2019's *Two Wings Fly Away*. She won the 2018 IPPY Bronze Medal in the Mystery/Thriller category for *Death's Echoes*, a Mimi Patterson/Gianna Maglione Mystery. The former Washington, DC-based newspaper, radio, and television reporter was inducted into the National Association of Black Journalists Hall of Fame in 2019. Micklebury is an Atlanta native currently living in Los Angeles.



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## Sharon Bridgforth

1958

A 2023 United States Artists Fellow, **SHARON BRIDGFORTH** is a 2022 Winner of [Yale's Windham Campbell Prize in Drama](#), a 2020-2023 Playwrights' Center Core Member, a 2022-2023 McKnight National Fellow and a 2022 AARP 50 Over 50 Awardee in the Arts. She has received support from The Doris Duke Performing Artist Award, Creative Capital, MAP Fund and the National Performance Network. Her work is featured in [Feminist Studies, Vol 48. Number 1](#), honoring 40 years of *This Bridge Called by Back and But Some of Us Are Brave!* Sharon's new book, [bull-jean & dem/dey back](#) (53rd State Press 2022) features two performance/novels produced by Pillsbury House + Theatre in Minneapolis 2023.



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## Shariandanda Adamz

1946

**Dr. SDiane Adamz Bogus** is also known as the **Oracle Shariananda**. Known primarily in the USA as a black lesbian feminist poet and writer, she has been writing and performing since the 1960s. Born in Chicago, she left as a teen to live in Birmingham, AL during the civil rights upheavals. As a daughter of the South, her background gave her a deep attachment to ritual and fundamental beliefs which conflicted with her unfolding insistent lesbianism. Here started her search for God and truth and self-acceptance. In that search and along that path, she discovered her spiritual gifts of clairvoyance, healing, and new age ideology. The women of her life came in blocks of time, that included five intense committed relationships, three metaphorical marriages and the last at last, legal. Currently, Shari lives in Copenhagen Denmark, with her wife Vivi Borregaard Adamz.



[Shari's Blog](#)

## Ann Allen Shockley

1927

**Ann Allen Shockley** is an American journalist and author, specializing in themes of interracial lesbian love, especially the plight of black lesbians living under what she views as the 'triple oppression' of racism, sexism, and homophobia. She authored more than thirty short stories, novels, and articles that address issues of racism and homophobia. She served as a professor of library science, university archivist, as well as an associate librarian for special collections at Fisk and founded the Black Oral History Program until she later retired in 1988. She has also encouraged libraries to place special emphasis on Afro-American collections. Shockley was awarded the [Lee Lynch Classics Award](#) for her novel *Loving Her*, originally published in 1974 and republished in 2014.



[en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ann\\_Allen\\_Shockley](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ann_Allen_Shockley)



## Bibliography of Published Words

### Ann Allen Shockley

#### Nonfiction

- The Black Lesbian in American Literature: An Overview" *Home girls: A Black Feminist Anthology* (ed. by Barbara Smith)(1983)
- *Afro-American Women Writers, 1746–1933: An Anthology and Critical Guide* (1988)

#### Fiction

- *Loving Her* (1974)
- *The Black and White of It* (1980)
- *Say Jesus and Come to Me* (1982)
- *Celebrating Hotchclaw* (2005)

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#### Gianna Maglione

- *Keeping Secrets*, 1994
- *Nights Songs*, 1995
- *Love Notes*, 2002
- *Darkness Descending*, 2005
- *Death's Echoes*, Bywater Books, 2018
- *You Can't Die But Once*, Bywater Books, 2020

#### Additional Titles

- *Belle City*, 2014
- *Two Wings to Fly Away*, 2019
- *Two Wings to Cover Her Face*, (Forthcoming)

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### Shariandanda Adamz

- *Woman in the Moon* (1979)
- *I'm Off to See the Goddamn Wizard, Alright!* (1971)
- *Dykehands & Sutras Erotic and Lyric* (1982)
- *The Chant of the Women of Magadalena* (1990)
- *For the Love of Men/ Shikita Gai Nai* (1991)
- *SDiane Adamz. Bogus Greatest Hits* (2001 – Pudding House Publ.)
- *The Book of Answers Spiritual Guidance on line* (2017- Saxo Publishing)
- *The New Age Reader* (1990 - Simon and Schuster)
- *The Studenthood Reader* (1990 - Simon and Schuster)
- Theme and Portraiture in the Work of Ann Allen Shockley (doctoral dissertation, 1985)
- Other essays and individual poems and writings are housed with University of California at Berkeley and The Schomberg Collection at the New York University

Shariananda's books can be purchased at [Bolerium Bookstore](http://BoleriumBookstore) in San Francisco

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