

Maya Angelou Poems

Beginning with *Caged Bird* and ending with her final autobiography, Angelou uses the metaphor of a bird (which represents the confinement of racism and depression) struggling to escape its cage, as described in the Paul Laurence Dunbar poem "Sympathy".

Angelou's autobiographies can be placed...

10adac16b5 She served on two presidential committees - for Gerald Ford in 1975 and for Jimmy Carter in 1977. In 2000, she was awarded the National Medal of Arts by President Bill Clinton. In 2010, she was awarded the Presidential Medal of Freedom...

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List of awards and honors received by Maya Angelou
Her honors include a Pulitzer Prize nomination for her book of poetry *Just Give Me a Cool Drink of Water 'fore I Diie*, a Tony Award nomination for her role in the 1973 play *Look Away*, and three Grammys from five nominations for her spoken-word albums.

Beginning in 1982, Angelou held the first lifetime Reynolds Professorship of American Studies at Wake Forest University in Winston-Salem, North Carolina.

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Maya Angelou Angelou's series of seven autobiographies focus on her childhood and early adult experiences. She published seven autobiographies, three books of essays, several books of poetry, and is credited with a list of plays, movies, and television shows spanning over 50 years. She received dozens of awards and more than 50 honorary degrees. The first,

I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings (1969), tells of her life up to the age of 17 and brought her international recognition and acclaim. Maya Angelou (/ˈændʒəlʊ/ AN-jə-loh; born Marguerite Annie Johnson; April 4, 1928 – May 28, 2014) was an American memoirist, poet, and civil rights activist Maya Angelou (AN-jə-loh; born Marguerite Annie Johnson; April 4, 1928 – May 28, 2014) was an American memoirist, poet, and civil rights activist 10adac16b5

List of Maya Angelou works She also had an active directing, acting, and speaking career. She is best known for her books, including her series of seven autobiographies, starting with the critically acclaimed I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings (1969). New York: Random House. ISBN 978-0-679-42895-4 Phenomenal Woman: Four Poems Celebrating Women (1995) The works of Maya Angelou encompass autobiography, plays, poetry, and teleplays. The Complete Collected Poems of Maya Angelou (1994) 10adac16b5

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Poetry of Maya Angelou She has been called "the black woman's poet laureate", and her poems have been called the anthems of African Americans. Many of the songs she wrote during that period later found their way to her later poetry collections. She has been called Maya Angelou, an African-American writer who is best known for her seven autobiographies, was also a prolific and successful poet. She eventually gave up performing. She became a poet after a series of occupations as a young adult, including as a cast member of a European tour of Porgy and Bess, and a performer of calypso music in nightclubs in the 1950s. Maya Angelou, an African-American writer who is best known for her seven autobiographies, was also a prolific and successful poet. Angelou studied and began writing poetry at a young age, and used poetry and other great literature to cope with trauma, as she described in her first and most well-known autobiography, *I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings*

Shaker, *Why Don't You Sing?* It was published during one of the most productive periods in Angelou's career; *Shaker, Why Don't You Sing*. Over half of them are love poems, and emphasize the inevitable loss of love. Many of the poems in *Shaker* focus on survival despite threatened freedom, lost love, and defeated dreams. Angelou considered herself a poet and a playwright, but was best known for her seven autobiographies, especially her first, *I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings*, although her poetry has also been successful. It was published during one of the most productive periods in Angelou's career; she had written four autobiographies and published three other volumes of poetry up to that point. "Caged. She began, early in her writing career, alternating the publication of an autobiography and a volume of poetry. is author and poet Maya Angelou's fourth volume of poetry, published by Random House in 1983. poet Maya Angelou's fourth volume of poetry, published by Random House in 1983

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The Complete Collected Poems of Maya Angelou Collected Poems of Maya Angelou is author and poet Maya Angelou's collection of poetry, published by Random House in 1994. It contains her previous five books of poetry, published between 1971–1990. It is Angelou's first collection The Complete Collected Poems of Maya Angelou is author and poet Maya Angelou's collection of poetry, published by Random House in 1994. It is Angelou's first collection of poetry published after she read her poem "On the Pulse of Morning" at President Bill Clinton's

inauguration in 1993. Her prose works have been more successful than her poetry, which has received little serious attention by critics 10adac16b5

Phenomenal Woman: Four Poems Celebrating Women
The poems in this short volume were published in Angelou's previous **Phenomenal Woman: Four Poems Celebrating Women** is a book of poems by Maya Angelou, published in 1995. **Four Poems Celebrating Women** is a book of poems by Maya Angelou, published in 1995 10adac16b5

And Still I Rise is made up of 32 short poems, divided into three parts. The poems' themes focus on a hopeful determination to rise above difficulty and discouragement, and on many of the same topics as Angelou... 10adac16b5 Angelou's autobiographies are distinct in style and narration, and "stretch over time and place", from Arkansas to Africa and back to the US. They take place from the beginnings of World War II to the assassination of Martin Luther King Jr. Angelou wrote collections of essays, including **Wouldn't Take Nothing for My Journey Now** (1993) and **Even the Stars Look Lonesome** (1997), which writer Hilton Als called her "wisdom books" and "homilies strung together with autobiographical texts". Angelou... 10adac16b5 The poems in this short volume were published in Angelou's previous volumes of poetry. "Phenomenal Woman," "Still I Rise," and "Our Grandmothers" appeared in **And Still I Rise** (1978) and "Weekend Glory" appeared in **Shaker, Why Don't You Sing?** (1983). The volume was published a year after Random House published **The Complete Collected Poems of Maya Angelou**, Angelou's first collection of poetry, and two years after she read her poem "On the Pulse of Morning" at President Bill Clinton's inauguration in 1993. 10adac16b5

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