

SPEAKER. WRITER. EDUCATOR.

EDYKA CHILOMÉ

[EDY-KAH CHI-LO-MEH]

PERFORMANCE ARTIST. CULTURAL PRODUCER.



BIOGRAPHY



EDYKA CHILOMÉ, BORN ERICA GRANADOS - DE LA ROSA, IS A QUEER WOMAN OF COLOR CULTURAL WORKER BASED IN NORTH TEXAS. SHE IS A CHILD OF SALVADORIAN AND MEXICAN IMMIGRANT ACTIVISTS WITH ROOTS IN THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH AND THIRD WORLD LIBERATION MOVEMENTS. SHE HOLDS A B.A. IN SOCIAL AND POLITICAL PHILOSOPHY FROM LOYOLA UNIVERSITY CHICAGO AND AN M.A. IN MULTICULTURAL WOMEN'S STUDIES FROM TEXAS WOMEN'S UNIVERSITY WHERE HER RESEARCHED FOCUSED ON THE DECOLONIAL POWER OF SPIRITUAL [ART]IVISM.

EDYKA HAS BEEN ASKED TO SHARE HER POETRY AND SPEAK ON SOCIAL JUSTICE ISSUES ON MULTIPLE MEDIA PLATFORMS AND IN SPACES AROUND THE COUNTRY INCLUDING THE DALLAS MUSEUM OF ART, THE PRINDLE INSTITUTE FOR ETHICS, BOSTON UNIVERSITY, THE BLACK ACADEMY OF ARTS AND LETTERS, THE TEXAS DEMOCRATIC CONVENTION, TEDX, NATIONAL PUBLIC RADIO, GLAAD, AND THE HUFFINGTON POST.

CHILOMÉ HAS ALSO PUBLISHED NUMEROUS ARTICLES, ESSAYS, AND POEMS INCLUDING A COLLECTION OF POETRY THAT EXPLORES QUEER MESTIZAJE IN THE DIASPORA ENTITLED SHE SPEAKS | POETRY, PRAISED BY THE FOUNDER OF DEMOCRACY NOW EN ESPAÑOL AS "...A MUST READ FOR THOSE YEARNING TO DISCOVER NEW WAYS TO OPEN UP TO DEEP PERSONAL AND GLOBAL TRANSFORMATION." SHE CURRENTLY SERVES AS A FACULTY MEMBER OF THE PRESIDENTIAL AWARD WINNING INITIATIVE, THE CLEMENTE COURSE FOR THE HUMANITIES AT EL CENTRO COLLEGE.

EXPERIENCE & WORK HISTORY

EDUCATION

TEXAS WOMAN'S UNIVERSITY, DECEMBER 2013
M.A. MULTICULTURAL WOMEN'S STUDIES
LOYOLA UNIVERSITY CHICAGO, MAY 2011
B.A. SOCIAL AND POLITICAL PHILOSOPHY/SOCIAL JUSTICE, MINORS
IN SOCIOLOGY, BLACK WORLD STUDIES, LATIN AMERICAN STUDIES,
WOMEN'S AND GENDER STUDIES

THESIS

UP NEXT: THE EPISTEMIC POWER OF SPOKEN WORD POETRY.

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

INSTRUCTOR, FREE MINDS DALLAS, EL CENTRO COLLEGE
DALLAS, TX. JULY 2015 - PRESENT.

INTERIM BILINGUAL RESIDENTIAL CASE MANAGER AND CRISIS INTERVENTION SPECIALIST,
DENTON COUNTY FRIENDS OF THE FAMILY, DENTON, TX. SUMMER 2013.

TEACHING ASSISTANT, TEXAS WOMAN'S UNIVERSITY,
DENTON, TX. WOMEN'S STUDIES, AUGUST 2011-2013.

ASSISTANT DIRECTOR AND CHIEF ACADEMIC ADVISOR, THE HISPANIC YOUTH LEADERSHIP
ACADEMY, SOUTHERN METHODIST UNIVERSITY
DALLAS, TX. AUG 2011 - 2013.

INSTRUCTOR, THE HISPANIC YOUTH LEADERSHIP ACADEMY, SOUTHERN METHODIST UNIVERSITY,
DALLAS, TX. AUG 2008 - 2013.

SEX EDUCATOR, LATIN AMERICAN YOUTH CENTER, HIV PREVENTION,
WASHINGTON, DC. JAN 2007 - 2008

TEACHING

INSTRUCTOR, EL CENTRO COLLEGE, FREE MINDS DALLAS, DALLAS, TX THE CLEMENTE COURSE IN
THE HUMANITIES, LITERATURE, FALL 2015 - PRESENT.

GRADUATE TEACHING ASSISTANT, TEXAS WOMAN'S UNIVERSITY, DENTON, TX INTRODUCTION TO
MULTICULTURAL WOMEN'S STUDIES: GENDER AND SOCIAL CHANGE, FALL 2011-FALL 2013.

INSTRUCTOR, THE HISPANIC YOUTH LEADERSHIP ACADEMY, SOUTHERN METHODIST UNIVERSITY,
DALLAS, TX
MY COMMUNITY AND ME: EXPLORING LATIN@ IDENTITY AND SOCIAL LANDSCAPE,
SUMMER 2008 - 2013.
WHAT CAN I DO: EXPLORING VOCATION AND EDUCATION, SUMMER 2008 - 2013.
PLAYING THE GAME: NAVIGATING SYSTEMS AND INSTITUTIONS, SUMMER 2008 - 2013

COMMUNITY VOLUNTEER WORK

STEERING COMMITTEE MEMBER, HUMAN RIGHTS DALLAS
DALLAS TX. MARCH 2016 - PRESENT.

COMMUNITY EDUCATION VOLUNTEER, CARA MIA THEATRE COMPANY
DALLAS, TX. SEPT 2015 - PRESENT.

CURRICULUM CONSULTANT, WE OVER ME FARM, PAUL QUINN COLLEGE
DALLAS, TX. AUG 2015.

ADMISSION JUDGE, THEATER PERFORMANCE, BOOKER T. WASHINGTON HIGH SCHOOL
DALLAS, TX. JAN 2015.

MENTOR AND ADVISOR, MOVIMIENTO UNIDO ESTUDIANTIL VIDA ETERNA
DENTON, TX. AUG 2014 - PRESENT.

EVENT VOLUNTEER, SALVADORAN AMERICAN FESTIVAL, COMUNIDADES TRANSNACIONALES
SALVADOREÑAS AMERICANAS (COTSA).
WASHINGTON, D.C. AUG 2013.

CO FOUNDER, WOMAN OF COLOR(S) CAUCUS, TEXAS WOMEN'S UNIVERSITY
DENTON TX. FEB 2012.

INTERPRETER, MONTGOMERY COUNTY SISTER CITY DELEGATION
GUATAJIAGUA MORAZAN, EL SALVADOR/SILVER SPRING, MD. SEPT 2011

KEYNOTES



A SOUGHT AFTER ORATOR AND PRAISED WRITER, EDYKA CHILOMÉ IS TRULY A SPEAKER FROM THE HEART. BOOK HER TODAY TO BRING A TRANSFORMATIVE AND INSPIRING VOICE TO YOUR EVENT AND COMMUNITY. CUSTOMIZE A KEYNOTE, WORKSHOP OR PERFORMANCE THAT FITS BOTH YOUR EDUCATIONAL AND BUDGET NEEDS.

THE FOLLOWING ARE JUST A COUPLE OF PAST THEMES FOR KEYNOTES AT VARIOUS EVENTS. AS MENTIONED ABOVE, WE CAN WORK TOGETHER TO CUSTOMIZE A KEYNOTE FOR YOUR SPECIFIC EVENTS NEEDS.

THIS BRIDGE CALLED MY HEART: RADICAL INCLUSION IN OUR FAITH & ACTIVIST COMMUNITIES

CULTURAL PRODUCER EDYKA CHILOMÉ EXPLORES THE NEED TO UNDERSTAND DIFFERENCE AS A FORM OF HEALING. GENUINE AND CHALLENGING, EDYKA OFFERS UP QUESTIONS ABOUT ACCOUNTABILITY AND SOLIDARITY ACROSS BORDERS.

ON THE INTERSECTIONS OF ART & ACTIVISM: REFLECTIONS BY A QUEER WOMAN OF COLOR POET

UNAPOLOGETICALLY RECLAIMING THE STAGE AS A PLACE FOR HEALING AND PROTEST, PERFORMANCE ARTIST AND POET EDYKA CHILOMÉ REFLECTS ON THE NEED TO OFFER THE WORLD INTERSECTIONAL NARRATIVES. SPEAKING FROM HER EXPERIENCE AS AN INDIGENOUS XICANA AND CENTRAL AMERICAN QUEER WOMAN, EDYKA CHILOMÉ OFFERS HER PERSPECTIVE ON TRANSFORMATION AND ACTIVISM AS A CULTURE PRODUCER FROM THE MARGINS.

WORKSHOP THEMES

EDYKA CHILOMÉ IS AN EXPERIENCED EDUCATOR THAT BRINGS ACTIVISM TO PEDAGOGY. HER WORKSHOP FOCUS ON THE HEALING POWER OF STORY AND COMMUNITY, WEAVING IN THE WISDOM OF INDIGENOUS THOUGHT AND TRADITION. BOOK EDYKA TODAY TO FACILITATE A PASSIONATE AND TRANSFORMATIVE WORKSHOP FOR YOUR COMMUNITY.

LENGHT: 45-90 MINUTES (CUSTOMIZABLE)

(MORE INFO ON ALL WORKSHOPS AVAILABLE ON WEBSITE OR BY REQUEST)

OUR SPOKEN WORD: POETRY AS ACTIVISM

THIS INTERACTIVE WORKSHOP IS DESIGNED TO ENGAGE PARTICIPANTS OF ALL LEVELS IN THE ARTISTIC PRODUCTION AND POWER OF SPOKEN WORD OR "SLAM POETRY".

THIS WORKSHOP WILL INCLUDE OPPORTUNITIES TO ENGAGE IN THE WRITING AND PERFORMING OF POETRY AS WELL AS DIALOGUE ON THE WAYS POETRY CAN AND HAVE BEEN USED IN COMMUNITY BUILDING. BRING PAPER AND A PEN!

THE MESTIZ@ COMPLEX

THIS WORKSHOP IS INTENDED TO EXAMINE THE CONTEMPORARY AND INTERSECTIONAL POLITICS AROUND LATINX IDENTITY.

THIS WORKSHOP IS DEVELOPED SPECIFICALLY FOR THOSE WHO IDENTIFY AS "PEOPLE OF COLOR" AND IS IDEAL FOR EDUCATIONAL AND COMMUNITY SPACES.

LIVING BEYOND THEORY

THIS WORKSHOP IS INTENDED TO INVITE STUDENTS AND ACADEMICS TO EXAMINE TRADITIONAL IDEAS AROUND CRITICAL THINKING AND KNOWLEDGE PRODUCTION.

EXPLORING OUR MEDICINE: SPIRITUAL ACTIVISM

THIS WORKSHOP IS GROUNDED IN INDIGENOUS TEACHINGS AND POLITICAL RESISTANCE MOVEMENTS AROUND SELF CARE AND DECOLONIZING HEALTH.

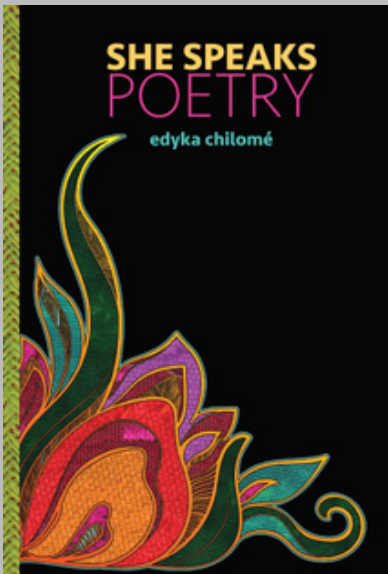
WOMYN & SELF-CARE: HONORING OUR MOTHERS' WOUNDS

GROUNDED IN THE SAME PRINCIPLES AS "EXPLORING OUR MEDICINE: SPIRITUAL ACTIVISM 101", THIS WORKSHOP FOCUSES ON THE HISTORICAL AND CONTEMPORARY EXPERIENCE OF WOMEN AND THE CONCEPT OF THE "MOTHERLINE".

PERFORMANCE

CELEBRATED ACTRESS AND HIGHLY PRAISED SPOKEN WORD ARTIST EDYKA CHILOMÉ HAS GARNERED RESPECT ON STAGES AND IN COMMUNITIES ALL OVER THE COUNTRY AND IN LATIN AMERICA. PULLING FROM MODERN AND PRE-COLUMBIAN AMERICAN LANGUAGE AND CULTURE, EDYKA EXPLORES “HERSTORY” THROUGH PERSONAL AND GLOBAL POLITICS, SPIRITUALITY, AND THE ORIGINS OF POETRY ITSELF.

IN THE TRADITION OF QUEER WOMEN OF COLOR WRITERS, EDYKA CHILOMÉ’S POETRY AND PERFORMANCE INVITES US TO CONSIDER THE COMPLEXITY OF OUR HUMAN CONDITION AND THE NEED TO TELL OUR STORIES. BOOK HER NOW FOR A FEATURED PERFORMANCE OR TO INTEGRATE PERFORMANCE IN YOUR NEXT PROJECT.



BOOKING INFO

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FOR BOOKING INQUIRIES, PLEASE VISIT THE WEBSITE TO FILL OUT A BOOKING FORM, EMAIL ME OR GIVE ME A CALL. I LOOK FORWARD TO SHARING, BUILDING AND WORKING TOGETHER.



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PREVIOUS ENGAGEMENTS & INVITATIONS

UNIVERSITY OF NORTH TEXAS

LOYOLA UNIVERSITY, CHICAGO

UNIVERSITY OF UTAH

INSTITUTE ON HIGHER EDUCATION,
JUSTICE FOR ALL: EDUCATING MORAL
LEADERS IN A WORLD OF POVERTY, SANTA
FE, NM

TEXAS WOMAN'S UNIVERSITY

TEXAS CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY

MECA PERFORMING ARTS

SOUTHERN METHODIST UNIVERSITY

DUKE UNIVERSITY

UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS, DALLAS

DALLAS PUBLIC LIBRARY

THE TEXAS DEMOCRATIC CONVENTION

TUCSON POETRY FESTIVAL

DALLAS MUSEUM OF ART

MUSEUM OF CONTEMPORARY ART,
CLEVELAND

BLACK ACADEMY OF ARTS AND LETTERS

BOSTON UNIVERSITY

IMAGINE WHAT'S NEXT: ST. LOUIS, MO

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, SANTA
BARBARA

GENERAL CONFERENCE OF THE UNITED
METHODIST CHURCH

EL PARADISO CAFE (TEGUCIGALPA,
HONDURAS)

TWO BRONZE DOORS, DALLAS

FAIRMOUNT COMMUNITY LIBRARY