



*Charlene "Hustle Diva" Green*



*Author, Empowerment Poet,  
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## Bio

Charlene E. Green, a.k.a. Hustle Diva (literal translation: Dynamic Goddess), owner of Hustle Diva Speaks Enterprises LLC, is an accomplished wordsmith with a vast literary range. A mainstream-published fiction novelist, self-published poet and self-help author, performance poet, screenwriter, editor and literary coach, and certified life coach all rolled into one, this multifaceted talent demonstrates her love for words from all angles, while ensuring that her audiences are entertained, educated, stimulated, and positioned to transform their lives in the process.

Hustle Diva relocated from her home of the Bay Area and laid down roots in Los Angeles in 2003. Since 2012, she has chosen to focus on her passion for and vested interest in teaching the importance of, and skill and commitment involved in maintaining, radical self-care, which she showcases through her empowerment-poetry performances, self-help books, and her work as a self-mastery catalyst through her life-coaching

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venture, Honor the Spirit, whose mission is to help people get the peace they desire and deserve by implementing the courage to pursue their best interests at all times.

Hustle Diva offers thought-provoking, stirring performances and workshops on the subjects of uncovering and pursuing your purpose and passion in life, finding empowerment in [the lessons of] heartache to reach a point of complete and fulfilling healing, confidently enforcing your right to unapologetically live on your own terms, bold self-preservation in the face of oppression and peer pressure, personal accountability, as well as righteous adoration, soul-mate love, and rising above life's challenges with strength and poise (*full workshop and performance information [HERE](#)*).

Among the countless events Hustle Diva has had the honor of being part of since stepping into her role as professional spoken-word artist in 2008 are her featured performance in 2012 at UC Riverside's More Than Spoken Word event, where she was one of two opening acts for headliner poet Saul Williams (*Def Poetry Jam*); her 2015 featured performance at the Los Angeles Times Festival of Books, of which she was the Inspire Us poetry contest winner that year; and her 2018 two-night featured performance in the International Women's Day benefit concerts for W.O.M.A.N., Inc. (<http://www.womaninc.org>), where she was an opening act for legendary music icon Michelle Coltrane. She was also a finalist in The Damn Slam Poetry Slam in April 2010, a finalist in the April 2010 CASA 101 Poetry Slam, a semi-finalist for the 2010 L.A. Slam Team, and a 2011 Los Angeles Black Music Awards Best Spoken-Word Performer nominee.

#### **FEATURED SCHOOL AND COLLEGE APPEARANCES:**

Morningside High School, Inglewood, CA, April 7, 2009, motivational speech and poetry performance

Mama Hills Help Center After-School Program, Inglewood, CA, April 14, 2009, motivational speech and poetry performance

Junior School for the Blind, L.A., June 15, 2009, spoken-word showcase

Junior School for the Blind, L.A., July 6, 2009, spoken-word showcase

Southwest College, L.A., Feb. 26, 2010, Black History Month Poetry Jam

Morningside High School, Inglewood, CA, Jan. 5, 2011, motivational speech and poetry performance

L.A. Mission College, Sylmar, CA, Feb. 17, 2011 Black History Poetry Night

Wilshire Crest Elementary School, L.A., March 20, 2012, Teachers' Conference/Spoken-Word Program Prep

U.C. Riverside, Nov. 7, 2012, More Than Spoken Word poetry event, opening act for *Def Poetry Jam's* Saul Williams (<https://youtu.be/XErQnPGKAnU>)

Morningside High School, Inglewood, CA, June 9, 2014, graduation program (<https://youtu.be/ZVfBxfmVIFc> )

USC, April 19, 2015, Los Angeles Times Festival of Books, Inspire Us poetry contest winner  
(winning entry: <https://youtu.be/natZm5D0FME>)  
(performance snippet: [https://youtu.be/1-f35uRz\\_VY](https://youtu.be/1-f35uRz_VY))

Loyola Marymount University, October 4, 2017, Poetry Is Art Therapy, feature presentation



**Hustle Diva at the 2015 L.A. Times Festival of Books**

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**Hustle Diva and Saul Williams, UC Riverside**

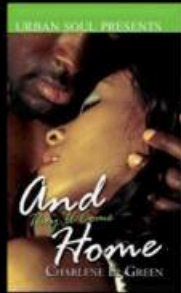
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**BEST SPOKEN WORD  
PERFORMER NOMINEE**

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ARTIST**



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## 2015 WINNERS OF THE INSPIRE US CONTEST



**ART:**  
**DOMINICK  
CABALO**  
See his work on  
Artists' Row.



**MUSIC:**  
**ENON  
GAINES**  
(a.k.a. phenomENON)  
Hear him perform on  
the L.A. Sound Stage,  
Sunday at 11 a.m.



**POETRY:**  
**CHARLENE  
GREEN**  
(a.k.a. Hustle Diva)  
Hear her read on the  
Poetry Stage, Sunday  
at 4:45 p.m.



**PHOTOGRAPHY:**  
**RYAN  
CARROLL**  
See his work at the  
L.A. Times' California  
Pavilion, Booth 47.

For more on this year's winners, visit  
[www.latimes.com/festivalofbooks](http://www.latimes.com/festivalofbooks)

## TESTIMONIALS:

"Dear Hustle Diva,

Thank you so much for performing for us at More Than Spoken Word [with headliner Saul Williams]. When I was researching artists and found you, your dynamic uniqueness entertained me. This is exactly what you brought to UC Riverside, and 320 people in the audience loved every minute of your performance. On behalf of myself, my co-director, the Contemporary Culture Division, and The Associated Students Program Board, thank you for your kindness, patience, and humbleness throughout this whole process, and most of all thank you for a great

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show.” ~William Ositadinma Ibekwe, Director, Contemporary Culture,  
Associated Students Programming Board, UC Riverside~

“Charlene E. Green is a phenomenal author, poet, performer! She is a natural story teller, and has mastered the art of writing. I invited her to speak to my all-girls English class and my students loved her! Not only did she inspire them by sharing her story, she also empowered them by allowing them to share their talents with her. She is an inspirational woman who is on the path to true success.” ~Rashondra Woods,  
Educator, Morningside High School, Inglewood, CA~

“A powerhouse presenter and engaging speaker, poet and writer, Charlene E. Green has the ability to take everyone in the room on a journey. It is a journey of honest introspection and self-discovery. During her workshop, she engaged the audience to participate by writing our responses to her spoken words. I was squirming in my seat as I reflected on the fear that keeps me paralyzed in several areas of my life and thrilled at the prospect of breaking through. Charlene is not just a “poet.” She uses her well-crafted words to help others awaken to their own potential, unleash their passion and let flow the joy of being alive.”  
~Roberta Rigney, Educator, Park School, Mill Valley, CA~

“Charlene is real. No artifice. Her words hit the heart and her purpose soothes that wounded place in so many of us. She speaks the kind of truth that is energizing. She is graceful, elegant and ferocious. She is big-hearted and willing to say, 'Really? Why are you doing that to yourself?’”  
~Debra Turner, Clerk, Sausalito/Marin City School Board of Trustees~

“Ms. Green touches the core of everyday human experiences— interpersonal conflicts, physical and mental illness, financial distress... [and] offers a doable guideline, a way to change one's thought processes and behavior habits so seemingly unsolvable situations become untangled.” ~Dianne Bye, retired educator, Theater Arts, L.A. Unified School District~

“I had the great pleasure of meeting Charlene E. Green in June of 2009 at a poetry reading held at the Davidson Program for Independence. What a remarkable experience it was! Her written work is amazing and



hearing her poetry is a moving experience I highly recommend for all.”  
~Jeanette Lapham, Educator, Junior School for the Blind, Los Angeles~

“I am a guitarist and music producer who has worked with Hustle Diva on several occasions, both live and in the studio. I have worked with countless singers and poets and she is without a doubt the most prepared and professional artist I have encountered. I would recommend her for any occasion where you want to guarantee the entertainment will be top quality and on point!”  
~Ricardo Love, Producer/Guitarist~

I have [had] the pleasure of working alongside Hustle Diva during several events, and she is the real deal. Always an audience favorite, she’s a poet that has an “intellectual way with words.” Each time she shares a new experience from the stage (through poem) it’s like she’s read my diary. She has a way of not only telling, but also connecting. I feel lucky to share the stage with her.” ~Jasmynne Shaye, Author, Actress~

### **EXCERPT FROM “SHED”**

start a health-phrase diet  
double portions  
daily  
for your emaciated  
self-reverence  
gorge on them  
get fat  
on a superior assessment  
of yourself  
feast unapologetically  
on mouthfuls  
of your own delicious story  
of a you  
you look at proudly  
smile at  
celebrate and respect  
can't get enough of  
flaws and all  
and say  
"Damn, it's great to be me!"

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