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#### Directed by Desire 2012-12-28

affordable e book of volume honored as one of library journal s poetry books of the year

#### Passion 2021-10-19

after decades out of print passion one of june jordan s most important collections has returned to readers originally entitled passion new poems 1977 1980 this volume holds key works including poem about my rights poem about police violence free flight and an essay by the poet for the sake of the people s poetry walt whitman and the rest of us june jordan was a fierce advocate for the safety and humanity of women and black people and for the freedom of all people and barack obama made a line from this book famous we are the ones we have been waiting for with love and humor via lyrics and rants she calls for nothing less than radical compassion this new edition includes a foreword by nicole sealey

#### The Essential June Jordan 2021-06-24

the definitive introduction to the work of the bravest of us the universal poet alice walker for the poet and activist june jordan neither poetry nor activism could easily be disentangled from the other her storied career came to chronicle a living breathing history of the struggles that defined the usa in the latter half of the twentieth century and her poetry accordingly put its dazzling stylistic range to use in exploring issues of gender race immigration representation and much else besides here above all are sinuous lashing and passionate lines virtuosic in their musicality and always bearing the stamp of jordan s irrepressible personality here are poems of suffusing light and profound anger

poems moved as much by political animus as by a deep love for the observation of human life in all its foibles eccentricities strengths and weaknesses with a foreword by pulitzer prize winner jericho brown the essential june jordan allows new readers to discover and old fans to rediscover the vital work of this endlessly surprising poet who in the words of adrienne rich believed that genuine up from the bottom revolution must include art laughter sensual pleasure and the widest possible human referentiality

#### Haruko/Love Poems 2023-01-26

in trailblazing poet essayist teacher and activist june jordan s poems love is a vision of revolutionary solidarity crossing borders both emotional and literal with an outstretched hand haruko traces the faltering arc of a passionate love affair with another woman while love poems encompasses relationships with men and women political resistance the need for self care in a demanding uncaring world and apocalyptic visions of the eruption of mount vesuvius that destroyed pompeii and herculaneum a contemporary of alice walker toni morrison and audre lorde june jordan s spectacular poetry remains profoundly politically potent lyrically inventive and breathtakingly romantic first published in 1994 haruko love poems is a vitally important modern classic

### June Jordan's Poetry for the People 1995

first published in 1996 routledge is an imprint of taylor francis an informa company

#### Some of Us Did Not Die 2009-08-05

she remains a thinker and activist who insists upon complexity reamy jansen san francisco chronicle some of us did not die brings together a rich sampling of the late poet june jordan s prose writings the essays in this collection which include her last writings and span the length of her extraordinary career reveal jordan as an incisive analyst of the personal and public costs of remaining committed to the ideal and practice of democracy willing to venture into the most painful contradictions of american culture and politics jordan comes back with lyrical honesty wit and wide ranging intelligence in these accounts of her reckoning with life as a teacher poet activist and citizen

#### June Jordan 2006-06-30

june jordan was born on july 9 1936 in harlem new york to mildred and granville jordan jamaican natives during her life she became one of the most prolific important and influential african american writers of her time before her death from breast cancer in 2002 jordan published more than 27 books including some of us did not die solider a poet s childhood poetry for the people finding a voice through verse haruko love poems and naming our destiny her work civil wars a collection of letters and essays addressed such topics as violence homosexuality race and black feminism working in many genres and touching on many themes and issues jordan was a powerful force in american literature this biography reveals the woman the writer the poet the activist the leader and the educator in all her complexity working in many genres and touching on many themes and issues june jordan was a powerful force in american literature this biography reveals the woman the writer the speaker the poet the activist the leader and the educator in all her complexity june jordan was born on july 9 1936 in harlem new york to mildred and granville jordan jamaican natives during her life she became one of the most prolific important and influential african american writers of her time before her death from breast cancer in 2002 jordan published more than 27 books including some of us did not die solider a poet s childhood poetry for the people finding a voice through verse haruko love poems and naming our destiny her work civil wars a collection of letters and essays addressed such topics as violence homosexuality race and black feminism kinloch offers a life and letters of this prolific writer delving into both her biography and her contributions as a writer and activist this approach unveils the power of language in jordan spoems essays speeches books and ultimately in her own life as she challenged political systems of injustice racism and sexism kinloch examines guestions surrounding the pain of writing the anger of oppression and the struggle of african american women to assert their voices attention is paid to the ways in which jordan s life informed her writings her perspectives and her contributions to the global landscape of class race and gender issues the writer s major works are explored in detail as kinloch weaves discussions of her life into critical considerations of her writings ultimately this portrait illustrates the ways in which jordan s career represented her dedication to making words work her ability to rally and revolutionize the spirit of people invested in decolonization love and freedom and her responsiveness to the world in which she lived

#### Living Room 1985

poems explore subjects such as political conditions in the united states the nicaraguan civil war and black culture

#### Soldier 2009-04-28

a profoundly moving childhood memoir by a noted poet essayist teacher and journalist shorta not uncommon story is here captured with astonishing beauty the childhood of a gifted daughter whose immigrant parents must struggle in order to provide her with the educational and social opportunities not available to them or for that matter to most blacks of her generation in vivid prose that re creates the heady impressions of youth june jordan takes us to the harlem and brooklyn neighborhoods where she lived and out into the larger landscape of her burgeoning imagination exploring the nature of memory writing and familial as well as social responsibility jordan re creates the world in which her identity as a social and artistic revolutionary was forged

#### New Days 1974

from her activism to her passionate writings june jordan 1936 2002 is one of the most revered american poets of our time jordan s writing simultaneously provokes delight and energy while urging reflection on american society and its injustices in still seeking an attitude the first reflection on her legacy jordan s life and works are explored in depth and detail focusing on subjects ranging from her use of language and linguistics to her political activism and role in children s literature these critical examinations elucidate the power and poetry of jordan s words serving as an exciting supplement for those already familiar with jordan and an excellent guide for anyone discovering her works for the first time

#### Still Seeking an Attitude 2005-07

jordan s work at this point and for many years now is perfect she says exactly what she means to say and says it so powerfully that the reader hears each phrase she manages to tap into that place where race and sexuality class and justice gender and memory come together she doesn t go with the cutting edge idea but reaches for that difficult terrain where others may fear to tread american book review she is among the bravest of us the most outraged she feels for all she is the universal poet alice walker jordan is one of the most musically and lyrically gifted poets of the late twentieth century adrienne rich

#### **Kissing God Goodbye 1997**

june jordan is as courageous as rebellious as compassionate as she is original she is an inhabitant of the entire universe alice walker this collection is the definite anthology of work by june jordan compiling poetry from nearly 20 years including over 50 poems published in the u s for the first time empathetic to all it encounters her poetry is a deeply personal music sounded in response to universal concerns in naming our destiny she addresses racism oppression dispossession with a call for justice for sensitivity to our world june jordon s works include eight books of poetry two books of essays a novel she is currently a professor of english at the university of california at berkeley

#### Naming Our Destiny 1989

from renowned poet and activist june jordan comes the reissue of her classic collection of essays about love power violence and the condition of race relations in america a major and indispensable reading experience alice walker

#### **Civil Wars 1995-09**

june jordan was not the blacksmith s daughter june jordan was the blacksmith she never waited around not for anyone s permission to write or act or be for this book to have its birth now in the lopsided moment when we need it most is no chance occurrence this great woman blacksmith is still sweetly hammering us on nikky finney poet activist and essayist june jordan is a prolific significant american writer who pushed the limits of political vision and moral witness traversing a career of over forty years with poetry prose letters and more this reader is a key resource for understanding the scope complexity and novelty of this pioneering black american writer from poem about police violence tell me something what you think would happen if everytime they kill a black boy then we kill a cop everytime they kill a black man then we kill a cop you think the accident rate would lower subsequently i lose consciousness of ugly bestial rabid and repetitive affront as when they tell me 18 cops in order to subdue one man 18 strangled him to death in the ensuing scuffle don t you idolize the diction of the powerful subdue and scuffle my oh my and that the murder that the killing of arthur miller on a brooklyn street was just a justifiable accident again again people been having accidents all over the globe so long like that i reckon that the only suitable insurance is a gun

#### We're On: A June Jordan Reader 2017-09-01

this june jordan treasure is a rare piece of fiction from one of america s most vital poets and political essayists a tender story of young love in the face of generational opposition a modern day romeo and juliet that sings and sways walter mosley nominated for a national book award in 1971 his own

where is the story of buddy a fifteen year old boy whose world is spinning out of control he meets angela whose angry parents accuse her of being wild when life falls apart for buddy and his father and when angela is attacked at home they take action to create their own way of staying alive in brooklyn in the process the two find refuge in one another and learn that love is real and necessary his own where was one of the new york times most outstanding books and was on the american library association s list of best books in 1971 june jordan was a poet essayist journalist dramatist activist and educator known for challenging oppression through her inspirational words and actions she was the founder of poetry for the people at the university of california berkeley where she taught for many years the author of over twenty books her poetry is collected in directed by desire her selected essays in some of us did not die sapphire is the author of american dreams black wings blind angels and push which was made into the 2009 award winning motion picture precious

#### Things that I Do in the Dark 1977

with the same pithy but eloquent observations characteristic of jordan s classic poetry collections things that i do in the dark and living room and her notable essay collections civil wars and technical difficulties kissing god goodbye will strike a universal chord as it witnesses the pain confusion and passion of what it s like to live in our society at the twilight of the twentieth century june jordan s many selves as poet essayist feminist and activist come together here in a collection of poetry that is alternately lyrical magical shockingly spare pungently political yet universally resonate beautiful love poems are interspersed with poems about bosnia africa urban america clarence thomas affirmative action her mother s suicide and jordan s bout with breast cancer this collection of poetry will be warmly welcomed by june jordan loyalists and new readers who will thrill to discover a voice that has been described as one of the most gifted poets of the late twentieth century

#### June Jordan's Poetry for the People 2005

a collection of poems by african american writers

#### Some Changes 1971

a poem exploring the condition feelings and ideas of blacks in a white society illustrated by reproductions of paintings depicting the life of blacks in america throughout history

#### His Own Where 2010-05-01

the award winning poet explores with her characteristic fierce honesty the oppression of women and blacks street violence lovemaking and the struggle for identity

#### Kissing God Goodbye: Poems 1991-1997 1997-10

upset press has restored to print suheir hammad s first book of poems born palestinian born black originally published by harlem river press in 1996 the new edition is augmented with a new author s preface and new poems under the heading the gaza suite as well as a new publisher s note by zohra saed an introduction by marco villalobos and an afterword by kazim ali

#### Soulscript 2004-11-02

poems by a teen mortal gives insight into a teenager s life poetry is a wonderful form of expression it is also a wonderful resource this book is an expression of the thoughts and emotions of a true teen loss life and love are explored in a variety of poems a variety of provoking words from others are also included

#### Who Look at Me 1969

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#### Passion 1980-01-01

best known as a political activist and an essayist and hailed by library journal as one of the most important poets today jordan has now written the libretto and the lyrics for an american opera the music is composed by john adams i was looking at the ceiling and then i saw the sky mixes the drama of poetry and song to construct a brilliant earthquake romance in the context of the timeless issues of love the opera set in south central los angeles explores such contemporary questions as immigration birth control and criminal law a white cop a black baptist minister and an el salvadoran mother are among the young americans cast in this heartfelt portrayal of a day in the life of an la neighborhood book jacket title summary field provided by blackwell north america inc all rights reserved

#### Lyrical Campaigns 1989

this book reads the work of contemporary women poets against recent debates in third wave feminism and democratic theory in exploring the range of ways in which women poets have interrogated the complexities of being public in contemporary u s culture

#### Born Palestinian, Born Black 2010

warm tenderness and fiery critique sit side by side in bolina s english as a second language a collection that skewers laments and celebrates america with intelligence humility and a disarming sense of humor in jaswinder bolina s english as a second language and other poems we are asked to imagine the tender and harsh realities of this world within a single breath a steiff monkey resting next to a child in a crib and the tired hands of a thousand women in sidi bouzid assembling the stuffed animal coated in an armor of wit and humor and steeped in the idiosyncrasies of language english as a second language pits sentimentality against cynicism and the personal against the national what remains is the kaleidoscopic image of the modern american condition from elegy to persona wide ranging poems tell the story of a child of immigrants becoming a parent against the tumultuous backdrop of our politics and culture where the collection asks what chance do any of us have the poet finds hope possibility bolina s musical poems zip across time challenging the fixity of the book clues offer the possibility of an alternate reading where backwards a new emotional arc appears dreamlike the nostalgic origin story of a sleep deprived parent tracing a path through language and history forwards backwards english as a second language skewers laments and celebrates america with intelligence and humility

#### Soulscript 1970

a distinguished african american poet activist essayist and teacher presents an extraordinary collection of essays on a variety of contemporary themes from growing up in brooklyn with immigrant parents searching for the american dream to the relationship between poetry and politics to the poverty of american education major and indispensable alice walker

#### Poems by a Teen Mortal 2001-04

because we like the maps we take the trips levi writes and we follow her wholeheartedly on this transformative journey

#### **2020-08**

this lively blueprint guidebook represents collaborative efforts of the poetry for the people 60 or more multicultural students under the leadership of june jordan at the university of california berkeley describing how tos of grassroots poetry programs and staunchly pledged to current politically correct tenets of diversity in addition to printing student poems this anthology reviews how to take readings and workshops into the community and cultivate empowerment by affirming that everybody has something to offer chapters discuss these cultural literacies african american asian american caribbean chicana o latina o american children s deaf gay and lesbian irish and irish american native american and women s this celebration of explorative poetry as a communal oral art form is an easy to use timely reference for community college public libraries and writers centers frank allen northampton community coll tannersville pa copyright 1995 canners business information

#### I was Looking at the Ceiling and Then I Saw the Sky 1995

a breathtaking achievement this concise companion is a suitable crown to the astonishing production in african american literature and criticism that has swept over american literary studies in the last two decades it offers an enormous range of writers from sojourner truth to frederick douglass from zora neale hurston to ralph ellison and from toni morrison to august wilson it contains entries on major works including synopses of novels such as harriet jacobs s incidents in the life of a slave girl richard wright s native son and lorraine hansberry s a raisin in the sun it also incorporates information on literary characters such as bigger thomas coffin ed johnson kunta kinte sula peace as well as on character types such as aunt jemima brer rabbit john henry stackolee and the trickster icons of black culture are addressed including vivid details about the lives of muhammad ali john coltrane marcus garvey jackie robinson john brown and harriet tubman here too are general articles on poetry fiction and drama on autobiography slave narratives sunday school literature and oratory as well as on a wide spectrum of related topics compact yet thorough this handy volume gathers works from a vast array of sources from the black periodical press to women s clubs making it one of the most substantial guides available on the growing exciting world of african american literature

## Democracy in Contemporary U.S. Women's Poetry 2007-10-01

mary jean chan and andrew mcmillan s luminous anthology 100 queer poems is a celebration of thrilling contemporary voices and visionary poets of the past featuring elizabeth bishop langston hughes ocean vuong carol ann duffy kae tempest and many more a guardian best poetry book of the

year shortlisted for the books are my bag readers awards encompassing both the flowering of queer poetry over the past few decades and the poets who came before and broke new ground 100 queer poems presents an electrifying range of writing from the twentieth century to the present day questioning and redefining what we mean by a queer poem you II find inside classics by elizabeth bishop langston hughes wilfred owen charlotte mew and june jordan central contemporary figures such as mark doty jericho brown carol ann duffy kei miller kae tempest natalie diaz and ocean vuong alongside thrilling new voices including chen chen richard scott harry josephine giles verity spott and jay bernard curated by two widely acclaimed poets mary jean chan and andrew mcmillan 100 queer poems moves from childhood and adolescence to forging new homes and relationships with our chosen families from urban life to the natural world from explorations of the past to how we find and create our future selves abundantly rich and rewarding capturing how queer poets and their work speak to one another across generations attitude more than a landmark volume an anthology that marks the present moment and ushers in a new one okechukwu nzelu author of here again now

#### English as a Second Language and Other Poems 2023-10-24

finalist for the 2017 pen open book award finalist for the 2016 national book award solmaz sharif s astonishing first book look asks us to see the ongoing costs of war as the unbearable loss of human lives and also the insidious abuses against our everyday speech in this virtuosic array of poems lists shards and sequences sharif assembles her family s and her own fragmented narratives in the aftermath of warfare those repercussions echo into the present day in the grief for those killed in america s invasions of afghanistan and iraq and in the discrimination endured at the checkpoints of daily encounter at the same time these poems point to the ways violence is conducted against our language throughout this collection are words and phrases lifted from the department of defense dictionary of military and associated terms in their seamless inclusion sharif exposes the devastating euphemisms deployed to sterilize the language control its effects and sway our collective resolve but sharif refuses to accept this terminology as given and instead turns it back on its perpetrators let it matter what we call a thing she writes let me look at you daily i sit with the language they ve made of our language to neutralize the capability of low dollar value items like you you are what is referred to as a casualty from personal effects

#### **Technical Difficulties 1992**

youth poets documents an ethnographic study of the literacy learning of urban high school youth in june jordan s poetry for the people program the book emphasizes how seven students adopted empowering literacies as they read wrote published and performed poetry in and outside of school using a sociocultural and critical framework on literacy and pedagogy the book focuses on the experiences of urban youth from their own perspectives to examine the various processes products and practices associated with poetry it contributes to current research on literacy pedagogy in urban contexts and further grounds connections between poetry production and academic and critical literacies not only does the research presented here support the use of poetry in itself but it makes a case for the ways in which poetry can lead to transformative possibilities in diverse and multicultural classrooms

### <u>Orphan</u> 2014

June Jordan's Poetry for the People 1995

#### The Concise Oxford Companion to African American Literature 2001-02-15

Valley of the Anointers 1979

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