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Persephone Speaks:
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Persephone Sounds Off
Artist Deborah Fisher on creative violence

My motives have always been personal and deeply vulgar. That's art for you. Making meaning is a grabby activity. You see something and you want to take it and make it yours. And while I deeply enjoy this arrogant, aggressive part, I also think that gratuitous creative license is boring. If there's going to be nastiness, I want some kind of redemption in return. [I want a net win](#)(excerpt)




Kore Authors are Wanted Women

Newest must-read portrait of women in the military: *The Lonely Soldier: The Private War of Women Serving in Iraq*, out from Beacon Press last April. Author [Helen Benedict](#) was awarded the James Aronson Award for Social Justice Journalism in 2008 for her gripping [Salon article](#) on the subject. She also wrote a [play](#) based on interviews with soldiers.



2007 [Kore Press Short Fiction Award](#) winner [Tiphonie Yanique](#)'s new title, *How to Escape from a Leper Colony*, is due out in March 2010 with Graywolf Press. This short story collection, described by Danzy Senna as "haunting and nuanced," with "odd, dreamy language and fresh locales," certainly piques our interest. Can't wait until next March? Try out the title story [here](#).



Kore Press First Book Award
2010 competition now accepting submissions!



Judge: Claudia Rankine
Deadline: July 31, 2009

This Spring Kore Press will give a prize of \$1000 (plus publication) for a book-length poetry manuscript. This competition is open to any female writer who has not published a full-length collection of poetry. See [guidelines](#) for the 2010 Kore Press First Book Award.

[Claudia Rankine](#) is the author of four collections of poetry, including *Don't Let Me Be Lonely*, an experimental multi-genre project that blends poetry, essays, and images. Her play, [The Provenance of Beauty / A South Bronx Travelogue](#), will premiere in Fall 2009 at the Foundry Theater.

2010 Short Fiction Winner


Teresa Stores was selected by Tayari Jones for her short story "Frost Heaves." She is the author of three novels and her work has appeared in numerous literary journals. Stores is an associate professor of English at the University of Hartford. Read more about this writer and her winning story [here](#).



The runners-up are Margaret Cardillo with "Hysterical," and Patricia Engel with "The Bridge."


AILDI Celebrates 30 Years of Speaking from the Heart

The 30th Annual American Indian Language Development Institute (AILDI) [conference](#) will be held at the University of Arizona. Presentations and workshops will include language revitalization as well as film documentation, children's literature, Native American youth culture, and classroom materials. Help celebrate indigenous language education. And check out Kore author Ofelia Zepeda's chapbook/CD combo, [Jewed 'I-Hoi/Earth Movements](#), which is 25% off until July 15th.

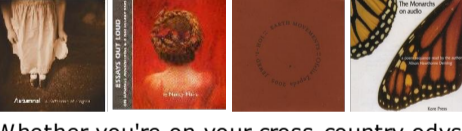


Conference: June 8-July 2, 2009
Symposium: June 29-July 2, 2009

On the Road



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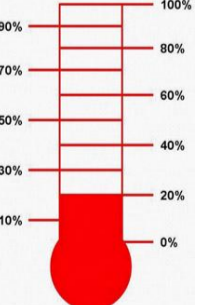
Grrls Say It with Tampons
2-day summer workshop & internships



We are in search of young women, female identified or trans individuals, ages 14-19, to participate in the [Grrls Literary Activism Project](#). Present your writing to the public, take [action](#) with the tampon project.

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