

# The DC Poet Project

2019 DC Poet Project Final Event featuring:

Jola Lawal, Quanasia McKoy, Antwone Ross and Kevin Wiggins

Come hear the 2019 DC Poet Project Finalists and help select the winner! At the end of this event the audience will live vote to select one winner to receive a book contract including \$1,000 dollar cash prize. Free, reserve a ticket at [DayEight.org](http://DayEight.org).



Omolara-Jolaoluwa 'Jola' Lawal was born in Houston, Texas, the last born and only girl of five children. Jola graduated from the University of Texas at San Antonio (where she joined Delta Sigma Theta Sorority) and received her Master's in Education from Johns Hopkins University in 2018. She teaches at Eagle Academy Public Charter School in Southeast Washington, D.C.



Quanasia McKoy was born in the District of Columbia, attended grade school in the Carolinas, and returned to the area to become certified as a massage therapist. She regularly performs alongside other local artists at open mics in the DMV area, and is event coordinator and host of the open mic at a vegan cafe and juice bar on H Street.



Antwone Ross has been writing and performing since he was a child. A native Washingtonian, he participated in the 2018 "Art All Night" festival and is the founder of "Pop Up Poetry," an ongoing performance series in which he and other local poets perform in locations around Washington, D.C.



Kevin Wiggins was born and raised in Baltimore, Maryland and performs as The Mysfit - a spoken word artist, performer, storyteller and playwright. His work stares adversity in the face, and is unapologetic for the Black LGBTQ Community with intensity, rage, compassion and love.

**Anacostia Branch DC Public Library**

1800 Good Hope Rd SE  
Washington, DC 20020

**Saturday, May 11, 2019**

1:00-2:30 pm | Adults

