## **Diana Turken**

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## Education

M.Ed, Education, Pepperdine University 2014 Certificate: Single Subject Credential

MFA, Creative Writing, Mills College, 2012 Concentrations: Poetry, Post-Modern American Literature, English Education Thesis: The Frontier 1846: A Study in Poetry of Frontier History

BA, Creative Writing, San Francisco State University, 2009 Concentrations: English, Poetry

## **Teaching Experience**

Writing Assistant, 2018-2019 Santa Monica City College

English Teacher, 2014-2018 Los Angeles Center for Enriched Studies

English Teacher, Assistant 2013-2014 Venice High School

Graduate Assistant, 2010-2011 Mills College Writing Center

Teaching Assistant, 2009-2010 California State University Long Beach Courses: Film Theory, Screenwriting, and Composition

## **Publications**

Slaughterhouse Magazine, "Truckee" and "Heredity", 2019 Vector Press, (multiple works) Issue Three 2013 Slake, "Settle Here," Issue Four, 2012 La Petite Zine, "Leland Stanford Surveys the Land," and "Canopy," 2012 The Nervous Breakdown, "The Watch," 2012 BangoutSF, "Comstock," 2011 About:

Diana Turken was born and raised in Los Angeles. She earned her MFA degree in Poetry at Mills College and taught public high school in Los Angeles for many years. A PhD candidate and Teaching Assistant, her poetic work is focused on bodies, myth, and questions of homeland. Her current research interests are Contemporary, American Literature, Gender and Labor Studies, and poetics. Most importantly, she is lifelong a Dodger fan.