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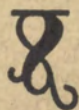
Langston Hughes

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The New York Times has called the poetry of Langston Hughes "a vivid sensation of the Negro spirit." The Princeton Literary Observer has termed it, "The expression of a people." The Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity has said, "Here is the poetry of Negro life as we live it."

Aside from writing poetry, Langston Hughes has published many songs such as "Freedom Road," "Songs to the Dark Virgin," and various concert numbers sung by Marion Anderson, Lawrence Tibbett, Etta Moten, and Roland Hayes.

Langston Hughes was included in Embree's book of Negro biographies—"13 Against the Odds".

Langston Hughes' books include *The Weary Blues*, *The Dream Keeper*, *Shakespeare in Harlem*, *Poems*. *Hot Without Laughter*, a novel, *The Ways of White Folks*, short stories, *The Big Sea*, autobiography.

His works have been published in the following magazines: *Esquire*, *The New Yorker*, *The Saturday Evening Post*, *Common Ground*, *Asia*, *Travel*, *The Nation*, *The New Republic*, *Survey Graphic*, *Poetry*, *Theatre Arts*.

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In 1937, a small group of people believing in the value of the public forum, banded together under the auspices of the Plymouth Congregational Church to bring to the Detroit community some of the Nation's best thinkers on the current issues of the day. This group became known as the Winter Lecture Series Committee of the Plymouth Congregational Church. Since this forum was to serve the entire community, the membership of the committee was drawn from the broad community.

The first person to be presented by the Committee was one of Detroit's own rising, young poets—THERESA CAVER.

During the seven years this committee has brought to the Detroit community such persons as Rheinhold Niebuhr, Stanley High, Arna Bontemp, Elmer Carter, Lester Grainger, Zelma Watson Duke, Crystal Byrd Faucett, Rabbi Leo Mann, Elmer Ward, Lillian Smith, Carey McWilliams, Dr. Chas. S. Johnson, Dr. E. Franklin Frazier, Pauline Redman, Jack McMichael, Dr. Charles Wesley, and others.

The Lecture Series throughout the years has operated as an inter-racial forum.

In these days when our community and the nation have been seeking a constructive way out in building better human relations, this Lecture Series has been able to render a real service.

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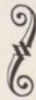
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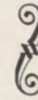
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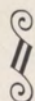
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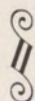
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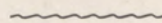
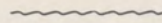
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