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Selected Awards & Prizes

<i>destinyNation.net</i>	2004	Arts Council Literature Award: digital writing
<i>Destiny;</i> poetic tapestry	2000	Year of the Artist: Arts Council Research & Development Award
Writer's Bursary	1998	The Jerwood Foundation: <i>Hand Held Drama</i> BBC/Arvon
<i>Kaahini</i>	1997	Nominated for Best Children's Theatre: Writers Guild Awards
<i>Two Souls</i>	1997	<i>Write Out Loud</i> Bursary: Arts Council/BBC Radio
<i>The Seas of Neptune</i>	1996	New Beginnings Writing Award: Yorkshire Arts
Resident Dramatist Award	1994	Arts Council Residency: Red Ladder Theatre Company
<i>Samudr;</i> short film	1993	Yorkshire Arts: Film Script Development Award
<i>Tara;</i> short film	1993	Northern Writer's Script Development Award
<i>Monsoon;</i> radio play	1993	Nominated for the BBC Newcomers Award, Prix Futura, Berlin. Winner in BBC Radio Young Playwrights Festival
<i>Samsara;</i> radio play	1992	Yorkshire and Humberside Arts: Writing Award
<i>Brides of Dust</i>	1992	First prize, Cardiff International Poetry Competition

Selected Film & Radio Productions

<i>see,</i> short film	2005	Wakefield PCT; Director – Jan Wells
<i>i-dentity,</i> short film	2004	BBC digital
<i>Black is the Colour</i>	2004	BBC Radio 4; Director - Lu Kemp
<i>Mother Me</i>	2001	BBC Radio 4; Director - Pam Fraser-Solomon
<i>Four Corners</i>	1997	BBC Radio 4; Director – Nandita Ghose
<i>Samsara</i>	1996	BBC Radio 4; Director – Nandita Ghose
<i>Samudr;</i> short film	1993	Yorkshire Arts; Script Development Award
<i>The Heart & Heaven</i>	1992	BBC Radio 5; Director – Pam Fraser-Solomon
<i>Broken Promises</i>	1992	Sheffield Media Development Fund Award
<i>Running Gay</i>	1991	Documentary, director – Channel 4 Television
<i>Monsoon</i>	1991	BBC Radio 4; Director – Frances-Ann Solomon

Selected Education & Training

Professional Dev Planning	2007	Short course, literaturetraining.com
Participatory Theatre	2007	Short course, Quarantine Theatre
Writing for Performance	2006	Short course, Lancaster University
Mentoring for Young People	2006	Short course, MANCAT
Telling Things	2005	Short course, The Poetry School
Digital Writing	2004	Short course, trace, online writing school
Certificate in Web Applications, Development & Design	2003	Short course, Open University
Teaching Web-based Creative Writing	2000	Short course, trAce, online writing organisation
Short courses: Site Gallery & IDEA Manchester	1999	Adobe Premier, HTML & Director, Web Animation & Information Design for Web/CD-ROM
<i>Keystroke</i>	1999	Web writing dev programme; DA2 & trAce
Poetry Workshop	1998	Arvon Foundation Course; Liz Lohead
<i>Hand Held Drama</i>	1998	Short course: Scripting for Television; BBC/Arvon
The Performing Arts Lab	1998	Playwrighting / Theatre for Young People
<i>MA Scriptwriting for Film & Television</i>	1993	Northern School of Film & Television, Leeds Metropolitan University
Multicultural Poetry	1992	Workshop: Michelle T Clinton, Los Angeles
Short course	1990	YAHAFE, Certificate in teaching in adult & FE
PG Dip Marketing	1985	Bristol Polytechnic
BA Catering & Accommodation Studies	1984	Napier College, Edinburgh

Selected Publications

<i>Bitch Lit</i>	2004	Prose published & co-editor of anthology; <i>Crocus Press</i>
<i>Kaahini</i>	2004	Play; <i>Capercaillie Books</i>
<i>The Crossing Path</i>	2003	Play; <i>New Plays for Young People,</i> <i>Faber and Faber</i>
<i>Healing Strategies for Women at War</i>	1999	Seven Black Women Poets, <i>Crocus Press</i>
<i>New Black Writers of Britain</i>	1999	Poetry CD, <i>Mongrel Press</i>
<i>Nailing Colours</i>	1997	Poetry published; anthology; <i>Crocus Press</i>
<i>Ambit</i>	1996	Poetry published in poetry journal
<i>As Girls Could Boast : New Poetry by Women</i>	1994	Poetry published; anthology; <i>Oscars Press</i>
<i>Monsoon</i>	1993	Six Plays By Black & Asian Women, <i>Aurora Metro Press</i>
<i>Putting in the Pickle Where the Jam Should Be</i>	1989	Poetry & Prose, two co-authors; <i>Jag Rahi Hai/ Write Back</i>

Selected Residencies & Workshops

Lead Artist	2007	Litfest : Lancashire Youth Arts Audit
Producer / tutor	2007	Aspiring: a film about Asian young women
Playwrighting tutor	2007	Arvon Foundation & Pop Up Theatre
Playwrighting Tutor	2006	Contact Theatre / BBC Young Writers in Residence (6 months)
Writer	2006	Northern Ballet Theatre, writing Lab
Writer	2006	<i>Spread The Word</i> , short story workshop
Writer	2006	<i>Contact Young Acting Company</i> , workshop
Writer	2006	<i>Sphere</i> ; workshops in participatory theatre
Writer / photographer	2005	<i>Dosti</i> ; workshops with Asian women
Writer	2005	The National Youth Theatre at <i>The Lowry</i> , playwriting course
Writer	2004	<i>Being</i> ; Maternity Services Users; Yorkshire Women Theatre & <i>Women's Health Matters</i>
Writer	2004	Commonword; <i>Bitch Lit</i> anthology, workshops
Writer	2003	TAG Theatre, drama workshops with young people
Writer	2003	Asian Women's Drama Project, <i>Speak Out</i> ; workshops with young women
Writer	2003	<i>Digital Journeys</i> ; SALIDAA, S. Asian Diaspora Literature Arts Archive, workshops
Writer	2003	<i>The City Lit</i> , Web_Words.net™; workshop
Writer	2003	The Public, <i>KODE</i> ; Internet / digital writing project
Writer	2001	www.foundland.net, PanCanadian Literature Festival, Calgary, workshops
Writer	2002	<i>Spread The Word</i> ; Web_Words.net™, workshops
Writer	2000	<i>The Little Room of the Big Questions</i> , Crucible Youth Theatre, residency
Editor / writer	2000	<i>A Piece of Me</i> , Asian Womens Drama Project
Writer	1999	<i>Food for Thought</i> ; Contact Theatre, workshops
Writer / residency	1999	<i>Writer in Residence</i> - AAE, Derby Playhouse
Writer / Digital Artist	1999	<i>Awaaz</i> ; CD-ROM Multimedia Arts Project, using video & written word
Playwrighting tutor	1999	<i>Transmissions</i> ; Birmingham Repertory Theatre course with young people
Writer	1997	<i>Red Ladder Asian Theatre School</i> , workshops
Writer / residency	1994	<i>Resident Dramatist</i> - Red Ladder Theatre Co.
Writer	1994	<i>Manchester Writing Festival: Writing for Radio</i>
Writer / photographer	1993	<i>River Crossings</i> : Camerawork Gallery & Pier Training Workshop: Poetic poster installation - Woolwich Ferry
Writer	1992	<i>Bradford Language Arts Festival</i> , workshops
Writer	1991	<i>Huddersfield Poetry Festival</i> , workshops
Writer	1990	<i>Words Without Borders</i> : International Festival, Vancouver, workshops