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WRITER & ARTIST

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EDUCATION

Brown University, B.A., Africana Studies
2012-2016

PUBLICATIONS

a prayer to restore | Harvard Divinity Bulletin, *forthcoming*

Emergence | Scalawag Magazine
<https://scalawagmagazine.org/2023/09/blackness-enduring-weather/>
Finalist for the 2024 Phillip D. Reed Environmental Writing Award

To Build an Abolitionist Future, We Must Look to Indigenous Pasts | Truthout
<https://truthout.org/articles/to-build-an-abolitionist-future-we-must-look-to-indigenous-pasts/>

Water Is a Human Right. Let's Create a Society That Affirms This. | Truthout
<https://truthout.org/articles/water-is-a-human-right-lets-create-a-society-that-affirms-this/>

Rejoice! A Relief: a response to Rashaun Rucker's "Relief From Heat" exhibition | Museum of Contemporary Art Detroit

future sermon #1: what if I told you (abridged) | MetroTimes Fiction Issue
<https://www.metrotimes.com/detroit-guides/the-2022-fiction-issue-30073390?storyPage=2>

Composite Material // Spirit Willin | Black Warrior Review
Pushcart Prize nominee

To Conjure the Future We Want, We Need a Revolution of the Heart | Truthout
<https://truthout.org/articles/to-conjure-the-future-we-want-we-need-a-revolution-of-the-heart/>

ibi mimò or home was the holy place | Winter Tangerine
<http://www.wintertangerine.com/morris-ibi-mimo>

the cosmic matter of Black lives | The Iowa Review
received an honorable mention in Best American Essays 2019

Charting the Love — and Betrayal — In Our Stars | Longreads
<https://longreads.com/2018/10/09/charting-the-love-and-betrayal-in-our-stars/>

blk_grls_x-ing | Fourth Genre
received an honorable mention in Best American Essays 2018

Dislocations | The Feminist Wire
<https://www.thefeministwire.com/2016/08/cherise-morris/>

PERFORMANCE & EXHIBITIONS

Detroit Narrative Agency x TEDX Countdown Radical Remedies: Life & Land (September 2023)

Visions of the Evolution: Renewal, Live at 8th Annual Sidewalk Detroit Festival (August 2021)
Detroit Narrative Agency 2021 Ethics & Aesthetics Film Series

the cosmic matter of Black lives ritual-performance III, Arad
American National Museum (July 2023)

the cosmic matter of Black lives ritual-performance II, Eastern
Michigan University (January 2023)

the cosmic matter of Black lives ritual-performance I, presented
by the Ruth Simmons Center for the Study of Slavery and Justice
at Brown University (October 2022)

Allied Media Conference 2022 Closing Ceremony (July 2022)

(2021)

Visions of the Evolution: Restoration (2020)

Dual Visions Group Exhibition at the Museum of Contemporary Art
Detroit (2021)

Serve & Protect: A Gospel (2020)

Black History Month Tribute: Afrofuture Performance, sponsored by
Science Gallery Detroit (2020)

Visions of the Evolution: Revelation I (2019)

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

Writer-in-Residence InsideOut Literary Arts | 2023-ongoing

Nonfiction Editor, Zone 3 Journal | 2021-ongoing

Community Organizer, United Community Housing Coalition |
2020-2021

Associate Editor, Truthout.org | 2016-2019

AWARDS & RECOGNITION

Santa Fe Art Institute Changing Climate Residency 2023

Creative Capital Grant Shortlist 2022

Bulk Space Grant Recipient | January 2022

Knight Foundation Grant Recipient, Visions of the Evolution |
November 2021

Foundation for Contemporary Art Grant Recipient | July 2021

Rapid Residency, Science Gallery Detroit | Fall 2020

Poets & Writers Grant Recipient | November 2020

Red Bull Arts Microgrant Recipient | August 2020

2019 Kresge Literary Arts Fellow for Creative Nonfiction

Notable work in Best American Essays 2019 | October 2019

Notable work in Best American Essays 2018 | October 2018

Finalist for the Black Warrior Review Nonfiction Prize | October 2019

INTERVIEWS

This is Hell! To Build an Abolitionist Future, We Must Look to
Indigenous Pasts | September 2023

<https://thisishell.com/episodes/1638>

Black, Spiritual and Free: A Conversation with Cherise Morris |
January 2023

<https://www.reckon.news/black-joy/2023/01/black-spiritual-and-free-a-conversation-with-cherise-morris.html>

Interview with Hoodoo Plant Mamas podcast, ep. 34 “Alive at the
End of the World” | October 2022

[Subject Matters](#) | June 2021

Communicating with Spirit: An Interview with Cherise Morris, Michigan
Quarterly Review | May 2021

<https://sites.lsa.umich.edu/mqr/2021/05/communicating-with-spirit-an-interview-with-cherise-morris/>

Detroit Cultural Dual Visions Conversation | May 2021

<https://detroitcultural.com/2021/05/03/dual-vision-in-conversation-with-cherise-morris/>

Artist Feature in SKEW: The Level Ground Magazine Issue 2 |
November 2020

Detroit Cultural Interview | Fall 2020 Issue

<https://detroitcultural.com/2020/08/14/visions-of-the-evolution-in-conversation-with-cherise-morris/>