

Go On Girl / Signature Poem

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Well first of all... Welcome to Oh Canada, our home and native land.

My name is Amani and I do say Go on Girl, for all the authors that you celebrate and the hard work you have put in to being here.

And special greetings to Linda Davis your Award Weekend Chair.

It gives me great pleasure to stand before you and welcome you to Canada through prolific means.

I'm a spoken word artist, producer and writer who holds your book club in the highest esteem.

Founded in 1991 by three office friends, your longevity shows that this book club is more than just a trend.

But a place that unites women of African Descent and encourages literacy and positive time spent... on reading and sharing and honouring and caring and uplifting and expanding creating and mentoring.

With over 300 members and 30 chapters and growing; sometimes we change history without even knowing.

Or in this case not only changing history, but world views and opinions one book at a time. My sisters what you do is truly sublime.

And so I say to all of you as you honour those authors both published and unpublished from different parts of the world. You are a true inspiration so

GO ON GIRL.

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