## Writing Toward Healing and Transformation

## with Navajo Poet Laureate Laura Tohe

Laura will begin with a short discussion of healing and transformation. Using various poet's work as examples we will write poems or stories about healing and transformation. Some questions we can work with are—how can we use language, song, prayer, thinking as healing for ourselves, our community, and for the earth?

Laura Tohe is also an award-winning poet, her books include *No Parole Today, Making Friends with Water, Sister Nations, Tséyi, Deep in the Rock,* and *Code Talker Stories* that have appeared in the U.S., Canada, and Europe with French, Dutch and Italian translations. Her commissioned librettos are Enemy Slayer, A Navajo Oratorio on the Naxos Classical Music label and Nahasdzáán in the Glittering World with performances in France in 2019 and 2021. Among her awards are the 2020 Academy of American Poets Fellowship, the 2019 American Indian Festival of Writers Award, the Lila Wallace Reader's Digest Fund Award, the Dan Schilling Public Scholar Award, and was twice nominated for the Pushcart Award. She is Professor Emerita with Distinction from Arizona State University.



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