

MONIQUE Y. MURPHY

⊗ Award-Winning Author ⊗ Awarded Diversity and Inclusion Leader ⊗ Speaker



Monique "Nikki" Murphy is an awarded Diversity, Equity & Inclusion (DEI) Leader, speaker, poet, financial literacy advocate, wife, mother, and award-winning author of *Home For Hurricanes: A Memoir of Resilience in Poetry & Prose*. Her work aims to impart the knowledge needed to intentionally tackle issues that impede progress toward belonging, inclusion, and personal fulfillment.

Murphy brings over a decade of corporate leadership experience, DEI expertise, and elements of her personal story of resilience after devastating hardship, career pivots, working motherhood, and wealth-building to deliver knowledge, inspiration, and entertainment to a variety of audiences. She strives to make every event a memorable experience by utilizing her warmth, engaging storytelling, and actionable content to help audiences be intentional about thriving in life and work.



Empowering you to do life on *purpose!*

TESTIMONIALS

“ Her words of wisdom—clearly expressed with warmth, relatability and humor—made her one of the most memorable aspects of the event. ”

FRANCINE N., CPA and Founder of Self-Centered™

“ Monique shared very powerful personal and professional stories with such humility and kindness... [her] impact on the girls was quite profound. I, too, still feel the effects of Monique's inspiring visit with us. ”

JENNIFER D., Director of Special Events for Link Education Partners, Inc.

SELECT SPEAKING TOPICS:

- ⊗ Resilience & Overcoming Adversity
- ⊗ Finding Purpose In Your Career
- ⊗ Working Motherhood
- ⊗ Writing, Storytelling, and Voice
- ⊗ Diversity, Equity & Inclusion
- ⊗ Race, Gender, and Social Justice
- ⊗ Personal Finance / Financial Literacy

FEATURED IN:



BuzzFeed

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PROFESSIONAL BIOGRAPHY

Monique "Nikki" Murphy is an awarded Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Leader, speaker, poet, financial literacy advocate, mother, wife, and award-winning author of *Home For Hurricanes: A Memoir of Resilience in Poetry and Prose*. Murphy has a deep passion and expertise for equipping people, especially in underserved communities, with the knowledge and inspiration to reach their fullest potential in spite of life's obstacles.

Murphy was raised by a loving single mother in a small, predominately African-American, under-resourced, low-income community on Long Island, NY. After experiencing sexual assault, fatherlessness, and depression, she went on to become the first in her family to graduate college, establish a successful purpose-driven career, and become a millionaire before the age of 35. Her writing, speaking, and teaching aims to provide the knowledge and expertise to intentionally tackle issues that impede progress toward belonging, inclusion, and personal fulfillment.

Murphy has over a decade of experience working with Wall Street firms to enhance their risk and diversity, equity & inclusion (DEI) strategies. She has developed and executed DEI strategies to support the hiring, retention, and advancement of underrepresented employees at Fortune 100 companies and designed dynamic educational programs to raise DEI awareness.

In 2020, Murphy published her debut book, *Home For Hurricanes*, a coming-of-age memoir in verse that honors the resilience of the human spirit as it explores issues of race, gender, sexual assault, parental abandonment, mental health, and faith. *Home For Hurricanes* was named a 2021 Best Book Awards Winner by American Book Fest and became an Amazon bestseller.

Murphy is the founder and CEO of Literare Living LLC and co-owner of a real estate investment company she runs alongside her husband. They invest in underserved communities and rehabilitate properties to provide beautiful, affordable housing to low-income families.

Murphy has been named a 2019 Diversity Leader by Profiles for Diversity Journal, one of Face2Face Africa's 30 Black Stars Business and Professional Achievers, and has been awarded a Certificate of Congressional Recognition. She has been a featured speaker at numerous conferences and events, on topics ranging from diversity, equity & inclusion to self-empowerment. Murphy holds a B.S. in Finance from New York University's Stern School of Business. She and her husband live on Long Island, New York with their 6-year-old son.



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FEATURED KEYNOTES/WORKSHOPS

WORK ON PURPOSE

Find Purpose In Your Career

For many, life just sort of happens; we end up in a career that has long ago lost its appeal. Before we know it, we are so burdened with commitments and responsibilities that we disregard the dull longing for something more. What if we decided to pay attention to that longing, to show up as more of ourselves, and devise a plan to bring more alignment into our careers? Learn how to begin designing a career you love.

FORGED UNDER FIRE

Transformational Resilience in the Face of Adversity

Whether dealing with career setbacks, sexual assault, loss, or having limited resources, Murphy has found that transformational resilience is the skill necessary to thrive and not merely survive adversity. Leveraging Murphy's life experience as detailed in her best-selling memoir-in-verse, *Home For Hurricanes*, Murphy shares the 4-step transformative process that helped her overcome adversity in its many forms.

SOCIAL DISCOURSE

Interactive Book Discussion on Social Issues

Art provides a mirror for society and provokes reflection on challenging issues. This powerful session leverages narrative poetry from Murphy's award-winning memoir-in-verse, *Home For Hurricanes*, to engage in dynamic conversation around the themes covered in the book: race, stereotypes, gender-based socialization, parenting, shame, trauma, mental health, faith. Participants will explore social issues, learn best practices for navigating these conversations, and gain understanding through peer-to-peer reflection.

DEMONSTRATE

Authentic Allyship for Social Justice

The events of 2020 - 2021 have birthed a heightened awareness and consciousness of around the issues of race, bias, policing, and social justice. Many are seeking to support social justice in ways that feel authentic to them. Learn the intentional personal actions one can take to become an effective ally to the Black community and for the cause of social justice.

Contact for more information