

NDABA SIBANDA

Tender-hearted Congratulations

Beloved blessing, as my heart dances and ululates
in honor and celebration of your birthday
I am reminded of how special you are.

Queen of my heart, how can I thank you enough
for your disarming kindness
and understanding?

We might agree to disagree on this and that issue
but by virtue of your commitment and patience
I have learned to unlearn some habits.

We are both learning to be better partners
day in day out thanks to your personality
and the beauty of your heart.

I, for one, would like to proudly and loudly
profess that you have positively changed me
in ways you cannot measure.

I thank you for the warmth in your personality,
for the undying love in your heart
and for being my life partner.

Ndaba Sibanda has lived in Saudi Arabia and Kuwait. Ndaba's poems, essays and short stories have featured in various journals and magazines such as The Piker Press, Bricolage, The Dying Goose, Whispering Prairie Press, Saraba Magazine, allAfrica.com, Jungle Jim, Outside In Literary & Travel Magazine, The Metric, Unlikely Stories, Santa Fe Writers Project - SFWP Journal, Elohi Gadugi Journal, The Subterranean Quarterly, Miracle, Red Bird Chapbooks, The Joker, Florida Flash, Fjords Review, storySouth, Annapurna Magazine, Festival Of Language, quiet Shorts, The African Street Writer, Poetry Potion.com, Books Live, Whispers, Sweater Weather, Poetrysoup, Silver Birch Press. Sibanda has got twenty-six books published.

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