

# Tess Brown-Lavoie

## EMPLOYMENT

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<b>Visiting Assistant Professor</b> , Humanities & Media Studies, Pratt Institute, Brooklyn, NY	2022 – present
<b>Graduate Instructor</b> , Summer Writing Program, Naropa University, Boulder, CO	2022
<b>Adjunct Instructor</b> , Writing and Literature Naropa University, Boulder, CO	2021 – 2022
<b>Editor</b> , <i>Bombay Gin</i> , Naropa University, Boulder, CO	2020 – 2021
<b>Guest Lecturer</b> , Brown University, Providence, RI	2012 – 2020
<b>Consultant</b> , National Young Farmer Coalition, Hudson, NY	2018 – 2020
<b>Rhode Island Field Agent</b> , Farm Service Provider at Land For Good, Providence, RI	2016 – 2020
<b>Farmer &amp; Educator</b> , Sidewalk Ends Farm, Providence, RI	2011 – 2018
<b>Co-Director</b> , Young Farmer Network of Southeastern New England, Providence, RI	2013 – 2018

## EDUCATION

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<b>MFA</b> , Creative Writing and Poetics — Naropa University, Boulder, Colorado Thesis: <i>A Secure and Finite Place</i> Advisor: Dr. Sara Veglahn	2022
<b>BA</b> , Literature — New York University, Gallatin School of Individualized Study, New York City, New York	2011

## BOOKS & SELECTED WRITING

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<i>Lite Year</i> (poetry collection, <i>Fence Books</i> )	2019	
<i>BREVITIES</i> (hand-set poetry chapbook)	2022	
2 Poems <i>Verbosity separates me from pacifism</i>	Denver Quarterly Bombay Gin	2022 2022
3 letters	video poem installed at <i>A Sundial</i> at YAH[matter]HYLE [Athens, Greece]	2022
Ambulatory Love Poem	video poem for Poetry Project New Years Marathon [NY, NY]	2021
<i>NYFC Racial Equity Toolkit</i>	guide for farmer-led anti-racism organizing	2020
<i>Spiritual Bottoming 3</i>	Berkeley Poetry Review, volume 50	2020
3 Poems	Fence Magazine, volume 20	2019
ICE IN A WOODEN BOX	The Spectacle Magazine	2019
<i>Rag</i>	<i>Text Means Tissue</i>	2017
<i>Do unto rosemary</i>	Canaries Collective's <i>Notes for the Waiting Room</i>	2017
<i>How water moves</i>	Big Big Wednesday	2016

## GRANTS, FELLOWSHIPS, & AWARDS

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Anne Waldman Fellow, Naropa University	2020 – 2022
Fence Modern Poet Series Book Prize (for <i>Lite Year</i> ), Fence Books	2019
Edible Rhody Local Hero Award, Sidewalk Ends Farm	2018
Founder's Day Award, New York University	2011
Gallatin School Dean's Honor List, New York University	2008-2011
New York University College of Arts and Sciences Presidential Honors Scholar	2007-2008

## RESIDENCIES

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Mount Tremper Arts (Literary Lab Residency + Reading)	2019
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## CONFERENCES

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Summer Writing Program Student Panel, Naropa University	2022
Panelist, National Young Farmer Coalition Annual Convergence	2015 – 2019
Artist Talk, <i>Paysagisme</i> Symposium, Brown University	2018
Panelist, Massachusetts Northeast Organic Farmers Association Summer Conference	2017
Panelist, Changing Lands, Changing Hands National Conference, Colorado	2017
Panelist, Stone Barns Young Farmer Conference, New York	2016
Keynote Address, Montana Farmers Union Annual Conference	2013
Keynote Address, National Farmers Union Annual Conference	2012

## SELECTED READINGS & PERFORMANCES

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Naropa University MFA Graduate Reading	2022
Introductions for Kazim Ali, Joyelle McSweeney, and Charles Alexander, Summer Writing Program, Naropa University	2022
Introduction for Renee Gladman, Leslie Scalapino Lecture, Naropa University	2022
What Where Reading, Naropa University	2021
Naropa University Critical Thesis Symposium Presentation	2021
Introduction for Eileen Myles reading, Naropa University	2021
Berkeley Poetry Review Volume 50 Launch Reading (virtual)	2020
Guest Lecture & Master Class, Brown University	2020
What Where Reading Series & Master Class, Naropa University	2019
Hudson Home School Fence Books Reading	2019
<i>Lite Year</i> Book Tour: NYC, LA, Santa Cruz, Oakland, San Francisco, Chicago, Portland (OR), Providence, Boston	2019
Mother Tongue (band) tours, US and Canada	2013 – 2017
Arctic Royal Theater Company Magic Lantern Show, New York, Rhode Island	2014
Guest Lecture, Colby Sawyer College	2014

## SERVICE

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Poetry Club, Co-Facilitator	2020 – Current
Board Member, National Young Farmers Coalition	2012 – 2020
NYFC Board President	2017 – 2020
Justice and Agriculture Working Group Coordinator, Young Farmer Network	2013 – 2020
Council Member, Rhode Island Food Policy Council	2014 – 2015
Board Member, New England Farmers Union	2012 – 2016