



**Katrina Naomi**, a poet and ardent walker, who lives in south London yearns for wilder places in which to walk. She was the first Writer in Residence at the Bronte Parsonage Museum in Haworth, West Yorkshire and will be in residence at the Gladstone Library in 2013. The interview was recorded in September 2011 on a walk across Streatham Common close to where Katrina lives.

Notes from the podcast interview by Andrew Stuck: Recorded in September 2011 and published in November 2012 on <http://talkingwalking.net>

Katrina's website: <http://www.katrinanaomi.co.uk/> and first collection of poetry – *The Girl with the Cactus Handshake*: <http://www.katrinanaomi.co.uk/books1.html>

The walk takes place across Streatham Common on the way to The Rookery:  
<http://www.lambeth.gov.uk/Services/Environment/ParksGreenSpaces/Parks/TheRookery.htm>

Katrina attended a poetry writing class at City Lit:  
[http://www.citylit.ac.uk/courses/Creative\\_writing](http://www.citylit.ac.uk/courses/Creative_writing)

Katrina loves walking long distance paths including ones in Wales:  
<http://www.walking.visitwales.com/long-distance/>

Katrina worked with a sound artist on a collaboration that involved a repetitive circular walk around Herne Hill, Brockwell Park and Brixton in south London over a 16 hour period, capturing the opening and closing of Brixton market, and the changes during a working day.  
[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Herne\\_Hill](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Herne_Hill)  
<http://www.lambeth.gov.uk/Services/Environment/ParksGreenSpaces/Parks/BrockwellPark.htm>  
<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Brixton>

Katrina and her partner went on a walking holiday in County Kerry, Ireland:  
<http://www.telegraph.co.uk/travel/activityandadventure/walkingholidays/7910034/Walking-holiday-in-County-Kerry-Ireland.html>

Wainwright Coast to Coast walking route:  
<http://www.visitcumbria.com/coast-to-coast-walk.htm>  
The Pennine Way: <http://nationaltrail.co.uk/PennineWay/>  
Staying in youth hostels: <http://www.yha.org.uk/>

Katrina is a vegan and member of the Ramblers: <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Veganism>  
An example of a mountain guide training provider:  
<http://www.mountainguides.co.uk/navigation-skills-courses/>  
The Ramblers: <http://www.ramblers.org.uk/>  
Walking Women (in the Lake District): <http://walkingwomen.com/index.php/tag/lake-district/>

She is undertaking a PhD in Creative Writing on violence in poetry at Goldsmiths:  
<http://www.gold.ac.uk/goldfish/poetry/>  
Bronte Parsonage Museum, where Katrina was Writer in Residence:  
[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Brontë\\_Parsonage\\_Museum](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Brontë_Parsonage_Museum) A pamphlet of her poetry was published under the title: "Charlotte Bronte's Corset"  
The Gladstone Library: [www.gladstoneslibrary.org](http://www.gladstoneslibrary.org)

#### **Katrina's recommended walking routes:**

Streatham Common and The Rookery:  
<http://www.lambeth.gov.uk/Services/Environment/ParksGreenSpaces/Parks/TheRookery.htm>  
The Cambrian Way (route suggested by the Long Distance Walkers Association):  
[http://www.ldwa.org.uk/ldp/members/show\\_path.php?path\\_name=Cambrian+Way](http://www.ldwa.org.uk/ldp/members/show_path.php?path_name=Cambrian+Way)  
North York Moors: <http://www.northyorkmoors.org.uk/>