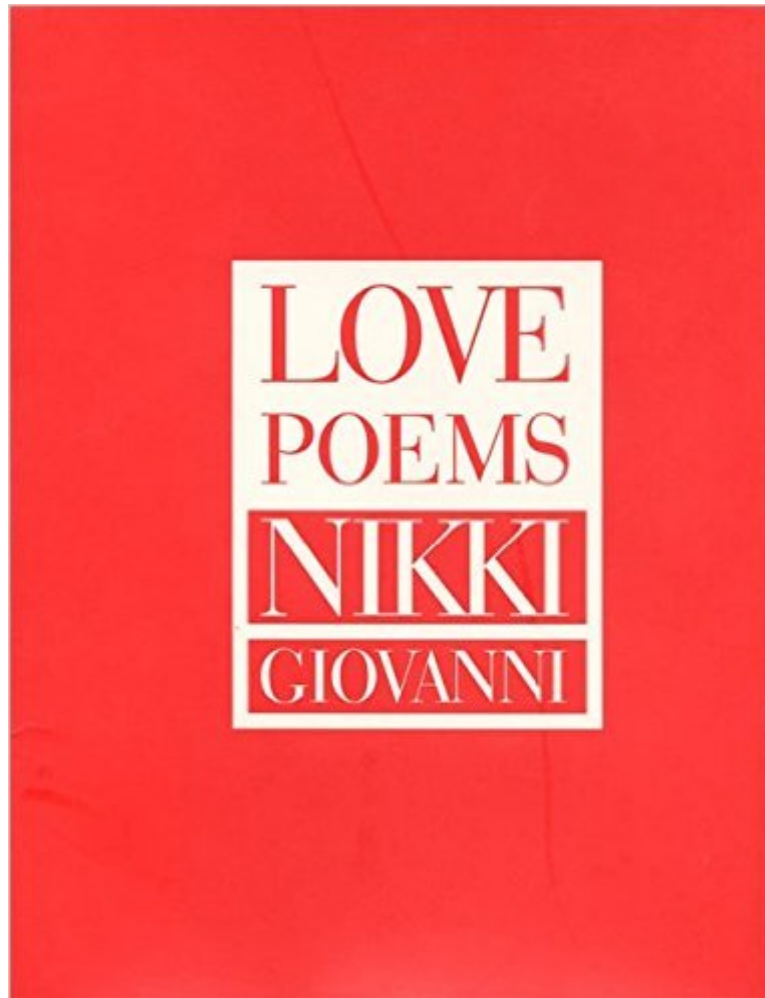


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# Love Poems



## Synopsis

In a career that has spanned more than a quarter century, Nikki Giovanni has earned the reputation as one of America's most celebrated and controversial writers. Now, she presents a stunning collection of love poems that includes more than twenty new works. From the revolutionary "Seduction" to the tender new poem, "Just a Simple Declaration of Love," from the whimsical "I Wrote a Good Omelet" to the elegiac "All Eyez on U," written for Tupac Shakur, these poems embody the fearless passion and spirited wit for which Nikki Giovanni is beloved and revered. Romantic, bold, and erotic, *Love Poems* expresses notions of love in ways that are delightfully unexpected. Articulating in sensuous verse what we know only instinctively, Nikki Giovanni once again confirms her place as one of our nation's most distinguished poets and powerful truth-tellers. In a career that has spanned more than a quarter century, starting with her explosive early years in the Black Rights Movement, Nikki Giovanni has earned a reputation as one of America's most celebrated and controversial writers. Her mind-speaking work has made her a universal favorite and a number-one best-seller. The love poems—the revolutionary "Seduction," the whimsical "I Wrote a Good Omelet," and the tender "My House" to name just a few—are among the most beloved of all Nikki Giovanni's works. Now, *Love Poems* brings together these and other favorites with over twenty new poems. Romantic, bold, and erotic, *Love Poems* will once again confirm Nikki Giovanni's place among the country's most renowned poets and truth tellers.

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I loved this book. This book contains a poem for every stage, every feeling that love encompasses. I

enjoy the hard-edged angry Nikki, but I also appreciate this softer, warmer side of her. I think the fire and passion are still there, just packaged more softly. One of my favorites is "I Wrote a Good Omelet." If you've ever loved anyone or hope to someday, you should appreciate this one.

Giovanni has earned honorary degrees and awards. Her present book, *Bicycles*, is a collection of poems that serve as a companion to her 1997 *Love Poems*. Her poetry is romantic, bold, and erotic. She writes about the physiological reactions of seeing a lover or loved one. Tastes, hearing, touching and the power of memory are expressed in several pieces. Giovanni emphasizes that love can be experienced everywhere at all times from many sources and it can lift anyone from the depth of tragedy. There is something for everyone in this very sweet and enjoyable collection.

Hide "Love Poems" behind all those other scholarly, trendy, "book club-y" books - Hide it like you hide your new Victoria's Secret from your old lover - only to surprise him later. And when the time is right, do so. "Love Poems" adds a wonderful twist. It is real, seductive, poignant, and everything love is but you're afraid to stay out. loud. I LOVE IT & so does my BELOVED.

Because of your book in the middle of the night, without warning, my heart was stolen by your poetry. It left a note declaring that it's running away with your words and never coming back ...I can't say that blame her. However, despite her reckless intentions, I find her hiding quite conspicuously in the creases and folds of your next verse. My heart may be enamored but it's never been an expert at hiding. Love, A heartless English teacher.

WOW! Thank you Nikki for reminding us how much we can learn from someone who has had long-lasting love. I bought this book because it was an Valentine recommendation and it made me want to throw my arms around my love the moment I finished it. from "Love Is" : Some people forget that love is tucking you in and kissing you "Good night" no matter how young or old you are

For the poet enthusiast this is a great little book by a renowned African American poetess. The poems are hip and street smart. Poetry to the point. If you want to read some witty and loving poetry at the same time, this little book is a must-have!

What can a person say about your writing? Marvelous..... These poems took me somewhere; can't quite name the place, but I'll tell you, it suuuuure was a beautiful feeling.

Thank you Ms. Giovanni, like Oprah said: "you are one this country's greatest living LEGENDS'Sherese H.

This books warmed my heart & soul. These love poems are not just for lovers, they are for sisters, brothers, mothers, dads, family and friends. It speaks to the love we have for the people in our lives that are important to us.

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