

## 2023 Donald Drury Award Winners

**It is with great pleasure that we announce the fiction and poetry recipients of the 2023 Donald Drury Award in Creative Writing:**

### **Fiction**

Torché Johnson

Course: English 26 with Professor Anthony Starros

Submission Title:

**“Whole in the Wall”**

### **Fiction**

Clay Taylor

Course: English 51 with Professor Jason Casem

Submission Title:

**“American Folk Hero Jade”**

### **Poetry**

Ron Riley

Course: English 50 with Professor Jeff Epley

Submission Titles:

**“some kind of relief”**

**“a prayer to the sky”**

**“immeasurable”**

**“a happy new year”**

**“the art of parenting”**

**“my wife’s obsession”**

**“daughters”**

**“sympathy”**

**“homeless”**

**“go-cart”**

We will celebrate the winning writers and their creative works at the English Department Awards reception on Thursday, May 11<sup>th</sup> from 1:00-2:00 p.m. in the P-Building Courtyard. **A special thank you goes out to this year’s judges: Jeff Douglas, Damon Moore, Christina Guillen, and Adam Largaespada.**