



**Bio: Delores Abdella Combs**

Delores Abdella Combs believes that everyone has a story to tell, if only people will listen. She has made it her mission to tell these stories through her poetry.

Delores has been the featured poet at a number of Los Angeles and Inland Empire area coffee houses and book stores. She has self-published a CD of her work entitled, "Soft Words," and her work has been featured on KPFK radio.

From 2000 until 2009, Delores was the founder and principle workshop leader of Forgotten Souls Redeemed, a nonprofit that used poetry as a form of replacement therapy with groups of incarcerated juvenile sex offenders.

Delores has just completed a MSW from the University of Southern California and has a BA in Creative Non Fiction from Pitzer College.

Delores has two young adult children. Her son is a musician and composer, and her daughter is a model, actress, and entrepreneur. She is married to, in her words, "a renaissance man – a philosopher, writer, ice dancer, outdoorsman, mathematician, teacher. . ."

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