



# MASTER CLASS

with Poet YRSA DALEY-WARD



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## The Way Things Feel:

How to Bring Real-Life Experiences to the Page Without Freezing

Part reading. Part Instruction. Part Intimate Exchange about Craft & Process, **Yrsa Daley-Ward** will engage curious emerging and established writers on a journey of creating truth on the page.

After self-publishing her poetry collection *bone* to major success in 2014, Yrsa Daley-Ward released a new edition, adding 40 new poems exploring sexuality, love, desire, spirituality, and race to the collection with Penguin Books in the fall of 2017.

Yrsa Daley-Ward is a writer and poet of mixed West Indian and West African heritage. Born to a Jamaican mother and a Nigerian father, Yrsa was raised by her devout Seventh Day Adventist grandparents in the small town of Chorley in the North of England. She lives in New York.

**A "stunning excavator of human heat and light... Daley-Ward's verse is an unfaltering force of truth on the page, celebrated both by her 125,000 Instagram followers and literary critics ranging from *Elle* to *The Paris Review*."** *HuffPost*

**"Yrsa Daley-Ward ... creates aching and touchable work that illuminates life's interior emotional movements with nuance and long-lingering imagery"** Hanif Abdurraqib, *The Atlantic*

***The Guardian* Interview: "People are afraid to tell the truth. But I don't care. It's boring otherwise..."** Yrsa Daley-Ward, poet, feminist, model and LGBTQ activist, spells out some hard truths to Eve Barlow: <https://www.theguardian.com/fashion/2017/sep/24/yrsa-daley-ward-bone-model-poet-feminist-lgbtq-activist>

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