



## **MEDIA ALERT:**

### **NIKKI GIOVANNI AVAILABLE FOR INTERVIEW: DECORATED NOBLE LAUREATE POET, ACTIVIST, CHILDREN'S AUTHOR, AND EDUCATOR**

**PRAIRIE VIEW**, Texas (April 8, 2022) – You're invited to a closed interview with Prairie View A&M University's writer-in-residence Nikki Giovanni on Tuesday, April 12, 2022.

Giovanni's career began in the 1960s and continues to capture readers and listeners of all ages. Her latest book *Make Me Rain* depicts the disruptions 2020 brought into her life and the lives of others with political reflections in "poems and prose".

She's is the recipient of numerous awards, including the Langston Hughes Medal and the NAACP Image Award. Named a "Living Legend" by Oprah Winfrey, her diverse body of work includes poetry anthologies, poetry recordings, nonfiction essays, and children's literature.

Immediately following the interview at 7 p.m., the PVAMU Toni Morrison Writing Program will present a special event titled The Inimitable Nikki Giovanni Reading, Reflecting, and Rejoicing. The event is a public lecture and reading of Giovanni's work.

#### **About the event:**

**Event:** Exclusive Interview with Nikki Giovanni  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 12, 2022  
**Time:** 6-7 p.m. |  
**Location:** [The Ensemble Theatre](#)  
3535 Main Street, Houston, TX 77002

This is a closed event with non-transferable invitations. To attend, please email [Kegibbs@pvamu.edu](mailto:Kegibbs@pvamu.edu) by **Monday, April 11, 2022, at 4 p.m.**

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