**Bio:**

**DaRell Pittman**

**(aka) Da Green Lantern**

DaRell Pittman is a husband, father of three, Papa of four, retired educator and poet. He graduated from THE University of Texas at Austin and taught in the public-school system in San Antonio. He has performed spoken word poetry in San Antonio, Houston, Dallas, Austin, Waco and Rochester Minnesota.

**His statement on poetry:**

“I try to touch the heart, inspire the mind and move the soul. However, if I get one of the three, I am happy.”

1. He has been published in 34 publications.

2. He has twice been selected a “Featured Artist” for the City of San Antonio’s Luminaria Festival.

3. He was the Austin International Poetry Festival’s “Haiku Death Match, Slam Champ” 2018 & 2019.

4. San Antonio Erotic Slam Champion 2018

5. He placed third in Current Magazine’s “Best Poet in San Antonio.”

6. And he was the “PuroSlam, City of San Antonio, Grand Slam Champion” of 2015.

However, Da Green Lantern is not solely a poet.

He is also an accomplished playwright. DaRell Pittman has had four of his plays produced in San Antonio.

And finally but certainly not least in importance …..

He would also like to publicly thank the person who decided to “butter the pecans” before putting them into the ice cream.