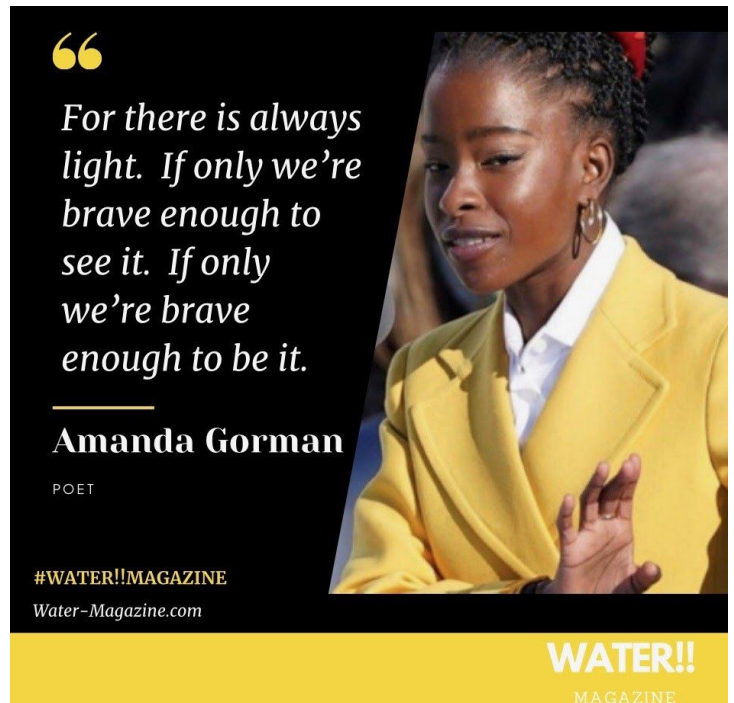


Amanda Gorman

Watch the first and the last minute of the video: [Amanda Gorman reads inauguration poem, 'The Hill We Climb'](#)

Who is Amanda Gorman?

Amanda Gorman (born 1998) is an American [poet](#) and [activist](#). Her work focuses on issues of [oppression](#), [feminism](#), [race](#), and [marginalization](#), as well as the [African diaspora](#). Gorman was the first person to be named [National Youth Poet Laureate](#). She published the poetry book *The One for Whom Food Is Not Enough* in 2015. In 2021, she delivered her poem "The Hill We Climb" at the [inauguration of U.S. President Joe Biden](#).



Sherrie Silver and Amanda Gorman's poem / dance

Watch and read the following poem Amanda Gorman wrote for the 2019 Women in the World Summit: <https://youtu.be/2eJfmvAHUsk>

When I see young woman

**I see the glow
in their impact
how they act
what we do
and what we know.**

It's a kind of sheen (shine)
that can't be seen
in glass diamond or dew drop (gota de rosada)
but the lights of a wave of girls who refuse to be stopped.

We don't need permission
to make it our mission
to make change
to be ourselves

unapologetically confident
beautifully strange.

We are that dawn of a billion beings
the radiance gleam (shine)
that stardust of a girl following her dream.

You can't steal this sparkle of mine
it only comes from a woman letting herself shine.

It would appear **we are all here**
focus, fierce, without fear, each a flame dazzling and clear.

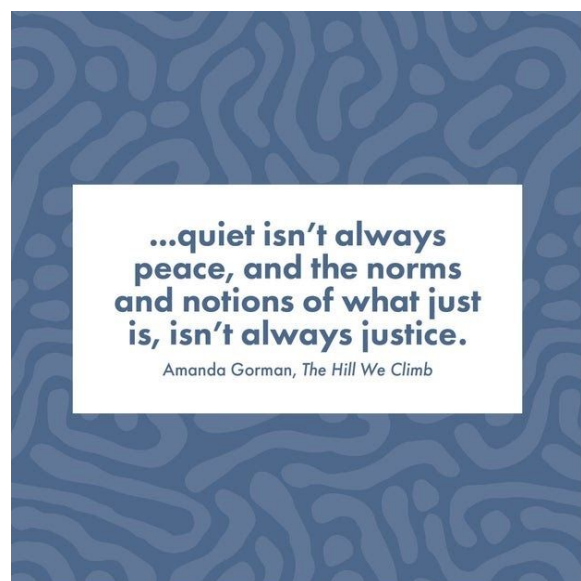
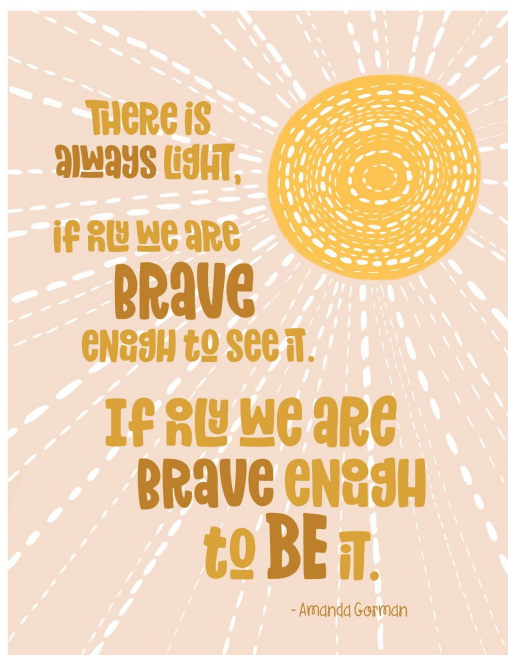
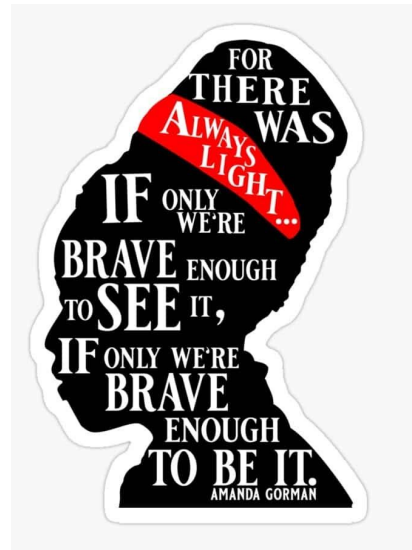
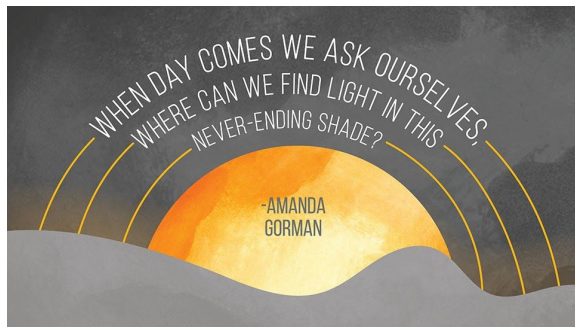
Although some may doubt it
we show them, we write this poem, we dazzle, we delight, we dare,
we fight joyous all the hustle in the spark
join us, the wondrous warriors in the dark.

Woman in the world making change, we hear it
how our hearts hummed (canturrejar/ ressonar) change we feel it
and how our dreams' plummet (caure en picat) change.

A range of woman whose story strummed life in the impact
in fact
even with the whole world on our backs we overcome it
because women in the world don't run from it, we run it.

Each of us standing on one another's shoulder,
each of us a summit, together, today at this summit
we don't just make change, we become it.

Choose one of the expressions in bold and represent it with drawing or lettering techniques. Find some examples here:



<https://poets.org/poem/still-i-rise>
Maya Angelou