



## SPEAKER BIO

# HONEY BELL-BEY

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Honey Bell-Bey is a motivational poet, published author, community advocate and experienced trainer in the field of Substance Abuse; Youth Work; Culture and the Integration of Science and Innovative Practice. She is a graduate of the historic Bethune-Cookman University, holding a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Broadcast Production Technology. She has been employed with NBC affiliates, Sports South at CNN, and the Atlanta Olympic Games.

She is an Ohio Certified Prevention Specialist; Youth Advocate and Motivational poet, who employs creative arts strategies, engaging youth and adults alike. She is a Trainer for the Mandel Center (Case Western Reserve University); The CCYWI (Cuyahoga County Youth Work Institute); a Master Trainer for Ohio Mental Health and Addiction Services (SAMHSA- Substance Abuse Prevention Skill Training) and Regional Training Liaison for North Central Ohio (Institute for Human Services).

In 2013 she created a workshop series for social workers and mental health practitioners "How Well is your Well of Wellness: A review of SAMHSA's Dimension of Wellness", and has presented at conferences throughout the region, using her wellness journey as a canvas to engage woman, youth and professionals on the topic.

She is the founder, director and writer for The Distinguished Gentlemen of Spoken Word (A character based performance troupe for adolescent males age 12-21. She has won numerous awards and Congressional Recognitions for her innovative programming strategies engaging youth from high risk environments.