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Local Poet Releases First Poetry/Music CD

*Soul Stirrings* is the first poetry/music CD, by J. Martin, Poet/Writer, aka Juanita J. Martin. It's a CD of inspirational and spiritual poetry, along with special blends of jazz music. Ms. Martin is a local poet and freelance writer. She hosts a monthly poetry reading at Barnes & Noble Booksellers in Fairfield, CA. Martin is also creating a poetry binder highlighting local poets for the store. She is a member of Vallejo Phoenix Rising performance poetry group. Out of one Vallejo performance, a chapbook was created called *Environmental Terrorists*. The title of the book is the inspiration from Martin's poem of the same name.

Martin's greatest achievement is a \$500 LVN Scholarship in her name, at Napa Valley College. She has written many articles, one garnering 1st place prize, a \$50.00 bond. Martin's first love is poetry, however. She credits her faith in God for her writing ability.

The music on Martin's CD was written and produced by Marc Pieruccini. Marc is owner of Music Smart Studios, located in Sacramento, CA. Marc's own musical accomplishments have been associated with such artists as **Bobby Brown, TLC, Whitney Houston, Mary J. Blige, and Shabba Ranks.**

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