

Morgan English

B.A., Florida State University

M.F.A., Bennington Writing Seminars (2025)

#### AWARDS/HONORS

Editors' Award in Poetry, *The Florida Review*, 2021

Artist Development Grant, Vermont Arts Council, 2021

Nominated for *Best New Poets* by *St. Petersburg Review*, 2012

Finalist, Poetry Contest, Issue 4/5, *St. Petersburg Review*, 2011

#### SELECTED BIBLIOGRAPHY

"On *Deal: New & Selected Poems* by Randall Mann" / On the Seawall

"A Hunger in Su Cho's *The Symmetry of Fish*" / *Heavy Feather Review*

"An Emphasis on Origins in *Figment* by Leila Chatti" / *Heavy Feather Review*

"Currency" and "Wild Herring" / *Arc Poetry Magazine* / Issue #99 Fall 2022

"Your Bitter Girl" / *The Florida Review* / 2021 Editor's Award in Poetry / Spring 2022

"I Pay Good Money" / *St. Petersburg Review* / Issue 4/5/ 2012

#### TEACHING

Teen Poetry Workshop (Part I), 6 Weeks, Winter 2022

Teen Poetry Workshop (Part II), 6 Weeks, Spring 2022

Poetry Mentorship: Isabella Watkins, 6 Months, 2022

Morgan English is a writer, editor, and interdisciplinary artist with experience in education, marketing, and digital design.

Her poetry and essays have appeared in *Arc Poetry Magazine* and *Heavy Feather Review*, among other literary journals. The winner of *The Florida Review's* 2021 Editors' Award in Poetry, her work first appeared in *St. Petersburg Review* as an award finalist. Morgan holds a BA in creative writing from Florida State University. Originally from Florida, she lives, works, and writes in southern Vermont, where she is an MFA candidate at Bennington College. She serves on the editorial team of *The Adroit Journal* as a poetry reader, and as a judge for NYC Midnight.

Morgan holds professional development certification from Learning for Justice on the topics of American Slavery and Queer History, and a certificate in Spanish from the Institute of Central American Development Studies. She teaches online poetry workshops for teens, is a freelance editor and poetry mentor, and the founding owner of *Amsonia*, a sustainable textile project, business, and interdisciplinary art project. Through Amsonia, she received an Artist Development Grant from the Vermont Arts Council, and participated as a vendor at art & design shows across Vermont, New York, and Massachusetts, including *Field & Supply*.



# AMSONIA

Amsonia, a sustainable textile project founded by Morgan English, ran from 2017- 2022. Accomplishments include a Vermont Arts Council Grant, E.M.B.R.A.C.E. Micro Biz Grant, and a position as a Core Collective & Jury Member of Brattleboro Flea. As an interdisciplinary artist engaged in design, printmaking, and sewing, English collaborated with other artists, such as printmakers Delia Perez and Briony Morrow-Cribbs, and photographer Helena Moore. Amsonia offered textile-based goods and garments through Field & Supply, Boston Women's Market, Phoenicia Flea, Cara Wolff, and the Amsonia online shop and Instagram page. Responsible for all branding, photography, marketing, and design for Amsonia, English also organized multi-artist shows, virtual events, and pop-up markets, including hosting events for musician Mariee Sioux, and poet/performance artist Jacqueline Suskin.

Branding  
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Event Planning

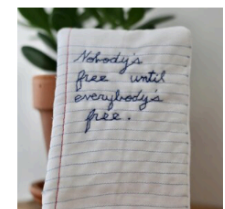
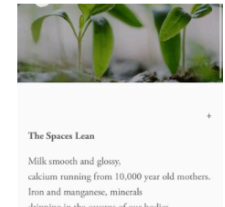
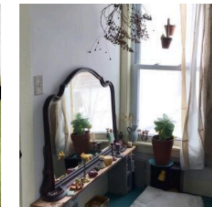
Copywriting  
Email Marketing  
Grant Writing

Social Media  
Graphic Design  
SEO & URL

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Amsonia is a Vermont based one-woman sewing workshop offering an alternative to fast fashion. My handmade garments and goods reflect a life lived close to nature, in gardens, on the homestead, in the woods, and on the farm. While referencing the colors and textures of plants and the quiet, yet dynamic lifestyle of rural New England, I pay close attention to durability and thoughtful craftsmanship. These garments are carefully designed to flatter many body types, to provide ease and functionality, and to sustain long-lasting appeal. The choice of fabric (organic and made in the USA whenever possible), conservative cutting methods, and reuse of remnants make Amsonia a sustainable endeavor. It is my aim to evoke a simple magic — trips to the swimming hole, hikes, having tea in your friend's garden, collecting seeds in the Fall — with the hope that my greater community will look for this kind of beauty in life more often and more fully.

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Artist Development grantee  
Morgan English

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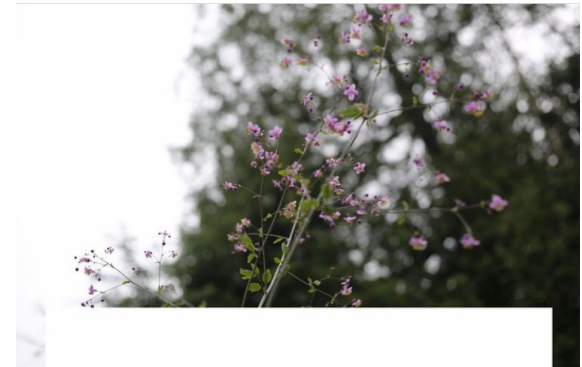
Posted By: [Niamh Carly](#)

Shopping online has never been easier. But with so many options flooding the market, it's hard to know what to buy. Fast-fashion brands offer ease and speed, but smaller businesses with handmade products offer more personal and sustainable products. Morgan English, based in the Brattleboro area, is the owner of one such small business: a clothing company called [Amsonia](#) with a focus on creating ethically-sourced and sustainably-built options for customers. Morgan designs, cuts, and sews all her products by hand, so the labor of love is guaranteed in each of Amsonia's products. Operating a one-woman business can be tiring, but with the help of an Artist Development Grant from the Council, Morgan was able to attend some printmaking workshops this summer to expand her studio's capabilities.

Creating a clothing business is not something Morgan planned for herself, but her love for Vermont and natural landscapes coupled with her knowledge of sewing helped to formulate the idea of Amsonia. Morgan's designs reflect a life immersed in nature and offer a comfortable, flexible fit for a range of activities and people of all body types—compelling traits enhanced by their assurance of sustainability.

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*I'm never going to scale my business, but if every town had like 10 people doing this, then*



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