

# Contents

Acknowledgments ix

Introduction: Working for Justice  
in an Age of Mass Incarceration 1

STEPHEN JOHN HARTNETT,  
ELEANOR NOVEK, AND JENNIFER K. WOOD

## **Part I. Working on the Inside: The Transformative Potential of Prison Education**

CHAPTER 1. Kings, Warriors, Magicians, and Lovers:  
Prison Theater and Alternative  
Performances of Masculinity 13

JONATHAN SHAILOR

CHAPTER 2. Service-Learning in Prison Facilities:  
Interaction as a Source of Transformation 39

SHELLY SCHAEFER HINCK,  
EDWARD A. HINCK, AND LESLEY A. WITHERS

CHAPTER 3. Writing Your Way to Freedom: Autobiography  
as Inquiry in Prison Writing Workshops 60

DAVID COOGAN

## **Part II. Working on the Outside: Building New Selves and Strong Communities**

CHAPTER 4. “Courtesy Incarceration”: Exploring Family  
Members’ Experiences of Imprisonment 83

BRITTANY L. PETERSON,  
BETH M. COHEN, AND RACHEL A. SMITH

CHAPTER 5. Serving Time by Coming Home:  
Communicating Hope through a Reentry Court 103  
JERALYN FARIS

CHAPTER 6. Life After Incarceration: Exploring Identity  
in Reentry Programs for Women 123  
NIKKI H. NICHOLS

**Part III. Working on the Media:  
Representations of Prisons  
and Prison Activism**

CHAPTER 7. Challenging the Media-Incarceration  
Complex through Media Education 141  
BILL YOUSMAN

CHAPTER 8. “Prisoners Rise, Rise, Rise!” Hip Hop as a  
Ciceronian Approach to Prison Protest  
and Community Care 160  
CRAIG LEE ENGSTROM  
AND DERRICK L. WILLIAMS

**Part IV. Working on the  
Futures of Prison Activism**

CHAPTER 9. “A Fate Worse than Death”: Reform,  
Abolition, and Life without Parole  
in Anti-Death Penalty Discourse 187  
BRYAN J. McCANN

CHAPTER 10. “People Like Us”: A New Ethic of Prison  
Advocacy in Racialized America 203  
ELEANOR NOVEK

Bibliography 221

Contributors 251

Index 257