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The hierophantic solar worship was part of what she brought with her from Africa; the worship of sun gods is expressed as part of her African culture, which may be why she used so many different words for the sun. She came to prominence during the American Revolutionary period and is understood today for her fervent commitment to abolitionism, as her international fame brought her into correspondence with leading abolitionists on both sides of the Atlantic. Why, Phoebus, moves thy car so slow? In 1775, she addressed a poem to George Washington aligning herself with the cause.

### Phillis Wheatley's poem on tyranny and slavery, 1772

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Phillis was about twenty years old at the time.

### How Phillis Wheatley Was Recovered Through History

Phillis Wheatley Peters, also spelled Phyllis and Wheatly c. Phillis not her original name was brought to the North America in 1761 as part of the slave trade.

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Being a poet, he probably encouraged Phillis in her first attempts. John Peter kept a fruitful business for a while, until he ran into debts he could not pay due to his own insolvent debtors.

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