I met Sister Thea Bowman in 1989 at a symposium at the Viterbo Fine Arts Center in my hometown of La Crosse, WI, and that meeting changed my life! Join me on June 20 at 7 pm at the Sheen Center in NYC for a reading of my new play THEA.
This 1989 event was Sister Thea Bowman’s last appearance in La Crosse. She came with Sister Dorothy Ann Kundinger and was hosted at St. Rose Convent by Sister Charlene Smith who was chairperson of the Humanities Symposium. The weather was very cold, much snow on the ground, Thea was weak but when it came time for her to speak she was filled with spirit and electrified the full house in the Fine Arts main theater. The next day Sister Jean Kasparbauer drove Thea with Charlene and Dort to Menomonie WI for Thea’s next event. See pp. 251, ff. in *Thea’s Song the Life of Thea Bowman* by Charlene Smith and John Feister, c. 2009.CMS. 2.22, 2019)
You all have heard of Sister Act but what you may not know is that in 1987 Sister Thea Bowman flew out to LA to meet with Harry Belefonte and Whoopi Goldberg about a movie on her life Harry was producing and Whoopi was to Star in Unfortunately the movie didn’t manifest but it was an article in my home town paper the La Crosse Tribune that introduced me to Sister Thea Bowman. On June 20 at 7pm I will present a reading of my play THEA for the Sheen Center theater festival. The reading is sold out but there will most likely be a wait list.

https://sheencenter.org/shows/sheenfestival/2019-06-20/
Sister Thea Bowman, FSPA, Servant of God

THEA Starring Brenda Braxton, Kara Young, Tina Fabrique, Zonya Love, Monroe Kent III, and Matthew Simms!
Directed by Zhailon Levingston and musical direction by Mario Sprouse.

On Nathan’s facebook page May 22, 2019