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Amplifying Soundwriting is the third open-access collection edited by this team on the topic of teaching with sound in rhetoric and writing classes. It is preceded by Soundwriting Pedagogies (Computers and Composition Digital Press/Utah State University Press, 2018) and Tuning in to Soundwriting (Intermezzo/enculturation, 2021).

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