

## Spalding's Festival of Contemporary Writing, Fall 2009

### Free Readings by Faculty and Guests of the Spalding MFA in Writing Program

Unless noted, the readings are in the Egan Leadership Center Lectorium (ELC) at the corner of Breckinridge and Fourth Streets. Plenty of free parking is available nearby.

#### Saturday, November 14, 7:30 p.m. (ELC)

- Robert Finch (nonfiction), author of *The Iambics of Newfoundland: Notes from an Unknown Shore*
- Neela Vaswani (fiction), author of *Where the Long Grass Bends*
- Kira Obolensky (playwriting), *Raskol*
- Luke Wallin (writing for children, fiction, nonfiction), *Conservation Writing: Essays at the Crossroads of Nature and Culture*
- Debra Kang Dean (poetry), author of *Precipitates*
- Brad Riddell (screenwriting), *The Plebe*

#### Sunday, November 15, 5 p.m. Celebration of Recently Published Books (Gallery, 16th floor, Brown Hotel, 335 W. Broadway)

- Mary Yukari Waters (fiction), *The Favorites*
- Jeanie Thompson (poetry), *The Seasons Bear Us*
- Silas House (fiction), *Eli the Good*

Book signing to follow. Books provided by Carmichael's Bookstore

#### Monday, November 16, 7:30 p.m. (ELC)

- Crystal Wilkinson (fiction), *Water Street*
- Molly Peacock (poetry), *The Second Blush*
- Richard Goodman (nonfiction), *The Soul of Creative Writing*
- Louella Bryant (nonfiction, fiction, writing for children), *While in Darkness There Is Light*
- Richard Taylor (poetry), *Rail Splitter: Sonnets on the Life of Abraham Lincoln*
- Julie Brickman (fiction), *What Birds Can Only Whisper*
- Eric Schmiedl (playwriting), *Browns Rules*

#### Wednesday, November 18, 4 p.m. (ELC)

- **Special Guest:** Patricia MacLachlan, author of *Sarah, Plain and Tall*
- Book signing to follow. Books provided by Spalding Bookstore.

#### Thursday, November 19, 7:30 p.m. (ELC)

- Rachel Harper (fiction), *Brass Ankle Blues*
- Greg Pape (poetry), *American Flamingo*
- Joyce McDonald (writing for children), *Devil on My Heels*
- Philip F. Deaver (poetry, fiction), *How Men Pray; Silent Retreats*
- Helena Kriel (screenwriting), *Skin*
- Roy Hoffman (fiction, nonfiction), *Chicken Dreaming Corn; Back Home*

#### Friday, November 20, 5 p.m. (ELC)

- Maureen Morehead (poetry), *A Sense of Time Left*
- Jonathan Penner (fiction), *This Is My Voice*
- Dianne Aprile (nonfiction), *Making a Heart for God*
- Charlie Schulman (playwriting, screenwriting), *Angel of Death*
- Kathleen Driskell (poetry), *Seed Across Snow*
- Sena Jeter Naslund (fiction), *Abundance: A Novel of Marie Antoinette*

#### Saturday, November 21, 1:15 p.m. Reading by MFA Alumni from Works in Progress (ELC)

- Rae Cobbs, Julie Coyle, Mark Brown, Juyanne James

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