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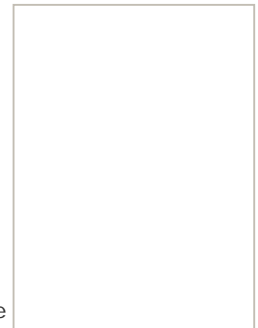
October 5, 2011

Isabel Wilkerson:

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7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

Isabel Wilkerson, Professor of Journalism and Director of Narrative Nonfiction at Boston University, was the first black woman to be awarded a Pulitzer Prize in journalism and the first black American to win for individual reporting. She received a John Simon Guggenheim Fellowship to complete the resean Leningrad in 1972 and came to the



United States seven years later. His first novel, *The American Dream*, won the Stephen Crane Award for First Fiction and the National Jewish Book Award for Fiction. His second novel, *The Way of Zen*, was a national bestseller, named one of the 10 Best Books of the Year by *Time* magazine, and several other publications. His latest novel, *The American Dream*, was an instant bestseller.

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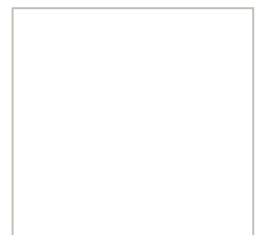
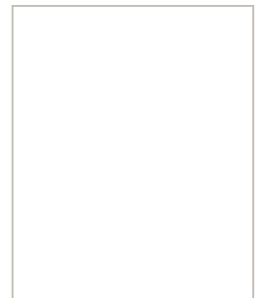
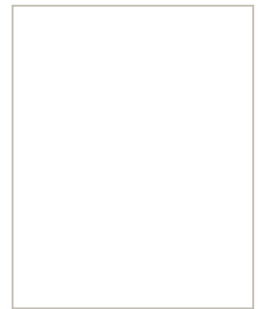
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Beth Raymer:

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7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

As a Fulbright fellow with an MFA from Columbia University, Beth Raymer studied offshore gambling operations in Costa Rica, Nicaragua, and Panama. Her memoir, *Big Game* (2010), tells the story of Raymer's years in the high-stakes, high-anxiety world of sports betting. Focus Features and Random H



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March 28, 2012

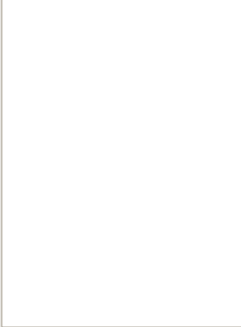
Téa Obrecht:

Devlin 101

7:00 p.m. – 8:30 pm.

Téa Obrecht is the author of the instant New York Times bestseller *Red*. She was born in 1985 in the former Yugoslavia, and spent her childhood in Cyprus and Egypt. Her family immigrated to the United States in 1997, and she attended the University of Southern California and received her M.F.A. from Cornell. Her fiction debut—an excerpt from *Red* in *Granta*—was selected for the *Best American Fiction*, and appears in *The Best American Fiction 2011*. She has also published fiction, and appears in *The Best American Fiction 2011*. She was the youngest writer named to *Time* magazine's "Best 20 Writers Under 40" and was also named a "Best 5 Writers Under 35" by the National Book Foundation. She lives in Ithaca, New York.

Obrecht's lecture on [Front Row](#).



April 11, 2012

Brenda Wineapple:

Devlin 101

7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

Brenda Wineapple's most recent book, *The Daylight Marriage* (2008), was a finalist for the National Book Award, a winner of the Washington Post Award for arts writing, and a

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