Talented authors converge at Compose

SUBMITTED PHOTO - Rafael Alvarez, TV writer for "The Wire," will be the keynote speaker at Compose, to be held May 2.

Rafael Alvarez, journalist and television writer for "The Wire," is the keynote speaker at the Compose creative writing conference at Clackamas Community College on May 2.

The daylong event features workshops led by local authors in fiction, poetry, playwriting, memoir, comics, songwriting, creative nonfiction, digital storytelling and publishing.

Presenters at the conference include: "Walk the Line" screenwriter Gill Dennis; National Book Award-winning poet Mary Szybist; Diana Schutz of Dark Horse Comics; Jeff Baker, film and literary critic for The Oregonian; and award-winning authors Willy Vlautin, Sam Brown, Kevin Sampsell, Nicole Georges, Jay Ponteri, Nick Triolo, Terry Blas, Trista Cornelius and Joanna Rose. CCC English Department faculty presenters include Kate Gray, Sean Davis, Matt Warren, Sue Pesznecker, Nicole Rosevear and Marlene Broemer.

“Storytelling Now” is a free seminar that will commence during the evening of Compose. This seminar features Alvarez, Dennis, Schutz and others in a discussion of the art and craft of storytelling in the digital age.

Alvarez came of age on the city desk of the Baltimore Sun during the final chapters of the newspaper's era of greatest influence, leaving the Sun in 2001. While he worked there, he met all types of characters — dishwashers and detectives and dance hall queens — who would later find their way into his fiction. A writer for the first three seasons of the HBO drama "The Wire,"
Alvarez published a new collection of short stories in 2014 titled, “Tales from the Holy Land.” His work also appears in the latest edition of the Clackamas Literary Review.

The Compose conference takes place in Roger Rook Hall. Registration begins at 9 a.m. The cost is $5 per session and lunch is available for an additional $10. Register online at bit.ly/ComposeWorkshop. Clackamas Community College, 19600 Molalla Ave., Oregon City.

For more information, please contact Trevor Dodge at 503-594-3259 or Sue Mach at 503-594-3262.
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