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AUTHOR INGEBORG BACHMANN FOCUS OF UM EXHIBIT, PRESENTATION

MISSOULA -

An exhibit of the writings and political work of 20th-century Austrian author Ingeborg Bachmann will be at The University of Montana from Monday, Aug. 31, through Friday, Sept. 25.

The traveling photo exhibit of the author's political work from the 1940s to the 1970s - "Ingeborg Bachmann: Writing Against War" - will be displayed in the student lounge of the University Center.

Bachmann (1926-1973) was a poet, dramatist and novelist. She was a leading voice in postwar German literature.

Her work will be discussed in a presentation by poet, essayist and acclaimed German translator Peter Filkins at a public talk titled "Ingeborg Bachmann: Everyday War" at 7 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 10, in the University Center Lounge. The presentation and the exhibit are free and open to the public.

Filkins translated and wrote the introduction for "Darkness Spoken: The Collected Poems of Ingeborg Bachmann," published in 2006 by Zephyr Press.

A reception will be held in the Davidson Honors College Lounge following Filkins' presentation.

The photo exhibit of Bachmann's works is on loan from the Austrian Cultural Ministry. The UM display and presentation are sponsored by the University's Department of Classical and Modern Literatures and Languages, Davidson Honors College, Office of the Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, and Creative Writing Program.

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