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UM PROF WILL GIVE POETRY READING

William Burford, UM associate professor of English, will give a public poetry reading Wednesday (March 8) at 8 p.m. in the Masquer Theatre.

Burford's published books of poetry include "A World," "Face of the Earth," which was also translated and published in Italy in 1960; and "A Beginning," which was published last November and reviewed in the New York Times.

Half of Burford's recital will consist of selections of his own poetry. During the remaining half he will read modern Greek poetry and selections from Boris Pasternak.

Burford holds a B.A. from Amherst College in Amherst, Mass., and an M.A. and Ph.D. from Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore, Md. He studied modern French poetry at the Sorbonne University in Paris on a Fulbright Fellowship.

Before coming to UM this year to head the humanities program, he taught at Southern Methodist University in Dallas, Texas, Johns Hopkins and the University of Texas.

He has won two prizes for his poetry, including the Irene Glassock Memorial Award from Mount Holyoke College in Massachusetts and the award to an American poet given by the Philadelphia Institute of the Arts.