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## **ENCR 195L Montana Writers, LIVE!**

Jeanette Rankin Hall 202 Tuesday 7-10 p.m.

Instructor: Kate Gadbow

Text: ENCR 195 MT WR Packet. Required. Available at University Bookstore.

In the course of this semester, we will explore the diversity of regional literature with an eye to its place in the larger literary traditions. Students will both read and hear works read aloud by some of Montana's leading authors, and will study both the craft and the content of their writings. Each meeting will showcase a poet or prose writer. Class meetings will open with discussion--a review of assigned readings and the critical, social, historical and/or political issues explored by the guest writer's work. Following a live reading, the writer will discuss his or her works with the class and answer questions. Students will prepare questions for the writers developed from a packet of readings and criticism. Grades are determined by attendance/participation, midterm and final examination.

### **SCHEDULE**

#### **September**

- 4 - Introduction to course.
- 11 - James Welch Fiction
- 18 - Deirdre McNamer Fiction
- 25 - Rick DeMarinis Fiction

#### **October**

- Oct. 2 - Kevin Canty Fiction
- 9 - Jenny Siler Thriller
- 16 - David James Duncan Fiction/Nonfiction
- 23 Midterm Exam
- 30 - Dorothy H. Patent Children's Literature / Natural History

#### **November**

- 6 - Greg Pape Poetry
- 13 - Sheryl Noethe Poetry
- 20 - Patricia Goedicke Poetry
- 27 - William Kittredge Nonfiction/Memoir

#### **December**

- 4 - Robert Sims Reid Detective Fiction
- 11 - Fred Haefele Nonfiction/Memoir
  
- 18 Final Exam