GLOBAL POETS SERIES

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Richard Blanco and Cecilia Vicuña

Date: Wednesday, November 5, 2014

Time: 6:00pm – 8:00pm

Location: 7 East 12th Street, Room 321 **RSVP** at: goo.gl/forms/xVj6HocN9V

Refreshments will be served.



Poet and multidisciplinary artist Cecilia Vicuña was born and raised in Chile. In her poems, she engages themes of language and memory, with particular attention to decay and exile. As art historian Roberto Tejada observed, "Vicuña's work, at its very essence, is 'a way of remembering'—as if exile and recall joined to unravel an 'autobiography in debris' as one personal story within a larger narrative." Read more about Cecilia Vicuña at: poetryfoundation.org/bio/Ceciliavicuna and ceciliavicuna.org.

Richard Blanco was born in Madrid and immigrated to the United States as an infant with his Cuban-exile family. He was raised in Miami and earned a BS in civil engineering and MFA in creative writing from Florida International University. In 2013, Blanco was chosen to serve as the fifth inaugural poet of the United States. Blanco performed "One Today," an original poem he wrote for the occasion, becoming the youngest, first Latino, immigrant, and openly gay writer to hold the honor. Read more about Richard Blanco at: poetryfoundation.org/bio/richard-blanco and richard-blanco.com/.

