



Distinguished Poets Series

Poetry Reading & Workshop

With

MARK DOTY and AIMEE NEZHUKUMATATHIL

**Saturday, May 5, 2012
PCCC Hamilton Club
32 Church St, Paterson NJ**

(973) 684-6555

www.pccc.edu/poetry

Writing Workshop

**10 am – Noon \$15.00
(pre-registration required)**

Reading

**1:00 pm – Free
(Open Reading follows)**

ABOUT THE POETS

Mark Doty, is the only American poet to have won Great Britain's T.S. Eliot Prize. He is the author of seven books of poems. His first book, *Turtle, Swan*, appeared in 1987. The collection, *My Alexandria* (1993), received both the *Los Angeles Times* Book Prize and the National Book Critics Circle Award. Since then, Doty has published *Atlantis* (1995); *Sweet Machine* (1998); *Source* (2001); and the critically acclaimed volume of poems, *School of the Arts* (2005). *Fire to Fire: New and Selected Poems* was published and won the National Book Award in 2008. His work has been honored by

the National Book Critics Circle Award, two Lambda Literary Awards and the PEN/Martha Albrand Award for First Non-fiction.

Aimee Nezhukumatathil is the author of three books of poetry: *Lucky Fish* (2011); *At the Drive-In Volcano* (2007); and *Miracle Fruit* (2003). *Lucky Fish* is the winner of the Hoffer Grand Prize for Prose and Independent Books, and the gold medal in Poetry for the Independent Publisher Book Awards. Also, poems from this collection were awarded an NEA Fellowship in poetry, the Glenna Luschei Award from *Prairie Schooner*, and the Angoff Award from *The Literary Review* for the best poems appearing that year. *At the Drive-In Volcano* was named the winner of the Balcones Prize. Other awards for her writing include the Pushcart Prize, a poetry fellowship to the Wisconsin Institute for Creative Writing, the James Boatwright III Prize from *Shenandoah Review*, and the Richard Hugo Prize from *Poetry Northwest*.

The Hamilton Club building is wheelchair accessible. Other services, such as large print materials and FM assistive listening devices, are available on request. Parking will be available in the Passaic County Community College parking lot on College Blvd., between Memorial Drive and Church Street. For further information, call (973) 684-6555 or visit www.pccc.edu/poetry.

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