

Wilkes University

Maslow Family Graduate Program in Creative Writing

Summer Residency Events 2025

Sunday, June 15, 2025

7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. **Film Night: "How to Come Alive with Norman Mailer"**
501 510 516 525 616 **Location:** JPAC (Ballroom), Henry Student Center, 2nd Floor

A screening of the award-winning Mailer documentary, with commentary from Mailer biographer J. Michael Lennon and screenwriter/producer Vicki Marquette.

Monday, June 16, 2025

7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. **Faculty Reading**
501 510 516 525 616 **Location:** Fenner Quadrangle

Readings by Jessica Goudeau, David Hicks, Marisa de los Santos, and Rachel Weaver. Introductions by Assétou Xango, Robert Mooney, Lizzy Ke Polishan, and Sarah Yantiss. Hosted by Shanta Lee.

Tuesday, June 17, 2025

7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. **20th Anniversary Celebration! Core Faculty Reading**
501 510 516 525 616 **Location:** Fenner Quadrangle

Readings by core faculty Phil Brady, Bev Donofrio, Christine Gelineau, Bob Mooney, Jeff Talarigo. Introductions by John Roberts, Jill Price, Nancy McKinley, Brie Friedman, and Ashlee Harry. Hosted by Angelique Palmer.

Wednesday, June 18, 2025

4:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. **Juneteenth Celebration of Black Writers**
501 510 516 525 616 **Location:** Fenner Quadrangle
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Hosted by Robin McCrary and featuring readings by Wayne Benson Jr., André Lewis Carter, Angelique Palmer, and Tasha Saint-Louis.

7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. **20th Anniversary Celebration! Scripts and Clips!**
501 510 516 525 616 **Location:** Jean and Paul Adams Commons (JPAC), Henry Student Center Ballroom
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A stage reading of a play by Bonnie Culver and short clips of films written by Ross Klavan and Richard Uhlig. Directed by Gregory Fletcher. Introductions by Ericka Joseph, David Brett, and Lori Coughlin.

Thursday, June 19, 2025

4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. **20th Anniversary Celebration Special Event! The 100th Anniversary of The New Yorker and The Great Gatsby** (Maureen Corrigan and Margaret Talbot)
501 510 516 525 616 Hosted by Julie Sidoni Yelen.
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Title: "1925: The Year American Literature Found Its Voice"

Location: Jean and Paul Adams Commons (JPAC), Henry Student Center Ballroom

1925 is a landmark year that witnessed important works by Willa Cather, Dashiell Hammett, Countee Cullen, Theodore Dreiser, Ernest Hemingway, Alain Locke, Sinclair Lewis, and Gertrude Stein. It is also the year that *The New Yorker* Magazine and *The Great Gatsby* were published. *New Yorker* Staff Writer Margaret Talbot and Fresh Air Book Critic Maureen Corrigan will engage in a spirited conversation about the voices of 1925 and how they still influence the way we think and write.

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20th Anniversary Celebration! Readings and Remembrances from Core Faculty and Alumni

Location: Fenner Quadrangle

Remembrances and readings from alumni, outside readers, and faculty. Hosted by J. Michael Lennon and Taylor Polites.

2005-2010 Alumni Reflection: Matt Hinton

Core Alumna/Faculty Reading: Laurie Loewenstein

2010-2015 Alumni Reflection: André Lewis Carter

Core Outside Readers: Ibrahim Ahmad, Executive VP of Viking Press
and Chris Tomasino, owner of the Chris Tomasino Agency

2015-2020 Alumni Reflection: Wayne Benson Jr.

Core Faculty Reading: Kaylie Jones

2020-2025 Alumni Reflection: Laurie Stephens-Hunter

Core Faculty Reading: Nancy McKinley

Introductions: Barbara J. Taylor for Laurie Loewenstein and Kaylie Jones; J. Michael Lennon for Nancy McKinley.