Home as Grief, Home as Us

Celebrated author and activist, Edwidge Danticat’s books include “Breath, Eyes, Memory,” an Oprah’s Book Club selection; “Krik? Krak!,” a National Book Award finalist; “The Farming of Bones,” an American Book Award winner; and “The Dew Breaker.” Her memoir, “Brother, I’m Dying,” was a 2007 finalist for the National Book Award and a 2008 winner of the National Book Critics Circle Award for autobiography. She is the editor of several books including, “The Butterfly’s Way: Voices from the Haitian Diaspora in the United States.” She has written six books for young adults and children, as well as a travel narrative. She is a 2009 MacArthur Fellow and the 2016 recipient of the Toni Morrison Award.

Admission is free, but a ticket is required. Please contact the Ticket Office at 717-691-6036.
4:10–4:50 p.m. Student presentations
“In Search of a Political Home”
Haley Clasen, politics and international relations
“Looking for La Casa los Espíritus: The Search for Home in the Work of Isabel Allende”
Hannah Eckstrom, Spanish with teaching certification
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5–6:30 p.m. Alumni panel discussion
“Xenos and Xenia: The Ancient Roots of Hospitality”
Teachers as scholars ’17
“Masked Trauma: The Traumatic Narrative of the Violator as Victim in Edwidge Danticat’s The Dew Breaker”
Jonathan Desmarais ’07
“Throwing Out Thoreau: Learning to Walk”
Joel Johnson ’17
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7–8:15 p.m. “Pilgrim’s Progress: Find Home for faith Through Journeys Into History”—history faculty panel discussion
Joseph P. Huffman, Bernardo Michael, David Pettigrew
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THURSDAY, FEB. 22

3:45–4:45 p.m. “Exploring Immigration Through Children’s Picture Books”—lecture and panel discussion
Tina Keller, TESOL education; Caroline Maurer, dean, School of Business, Education and Social Sciences; Kayla Scottinemeyer, Ellie Mears, Marissa Donlevi
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7:30 p.m. Symposium Keynote Address
Edwidge Danticat
Parmer Hall

FRIDAY, FEB. 23

9:10–10:10 a.m. “At Home in the Body”—student panel discussion
Rachel Sulonen, Katie Wingert, Katy Trice, Carly Laird; Crystal Downing, advisor, English
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10:20–11:20 a.m. “So, Where Are You From: The Meaning of Home in the Military”—student, staff and community member panel discussion
Hannah Rauhut, English, communication; Logan Wells, biblical and religious studies; Denise Brown, staff; Miriam Thurber, public relations; Norma Kenley-Barber, Hoverer student
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