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Presents a reading by **Hanif Abdurraqib**



*Hanif Abdurraqib is a poet, essayist, and cultural critic from Columbus, Ohio. His poetry has been published in Muzzle, Vinyl, PEN American, and various other journals. His essays and music criticism have been published in The FADER, Pitchfork, The New Yorker, and The New York Times. His first full length poetry collection, **The Crown Ain't Worth Much**, was released in June 2016 from Button Poetry. It was named a finalist for the Eric Hoffer Book Prize, and was nominated for a Hurston-Wright Legacy Award. His first collection of essays, **They Can't Kill Us Until They Kill Us**, was released in winter 2017 by Two Dollar Radio and was named a book of the year by BuzzFeed, Esquire, NPR, Oprah Magazine, Paste, CBC, The Los Angeles Review, Pitchfork, and The Chicago Tribune, among others. He released **Go Ahead In The Rain: Notes To A Tribe Called Quest** with University of Texas press in February 2019. The book became a New York Times Bestseller, was a finalist for the Kirkus Prize, and was longlisted for the National Book Award. His second collection of poems, **A Fortune For Your Disaster**, was released in 2019 by Tin House, and won the 2020 Lenore Marshall Prize. His newest release, **A Little Devil In America**, was published with Random House in 2021. In 2021, Abdurraqib was named a MacArthur Fellow. He is a graduate of Beechcroft High School.*

And in conversation with **Sagirah Shahid**



*Sagirah Shahid is a Black American Muslim poet, arts educator, and performance artist from Minneapolis, Minnesota. She is the recipient of awards and fellowships from the Loft Literary Center, the Twin Cities Media Alliance, the Minnesota Center for Book Arts, and the Shangri La Museum of Islamic Art. Sagirah is a teaching-writer with Unrestricted Interest, a writing program and consultancy dedicated to supporting neurodiverse learners through creative writing. Her debut collection of poetry **Surveillance of Joy** is forthcoming from Half Mystic Press. Sagirah's children's activity book **Get Involved In A Book Club** is available for pre-order with Capstone Press.*

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