

DR. MICAH DEAN HICKS

presents



Readings from his
short story collection

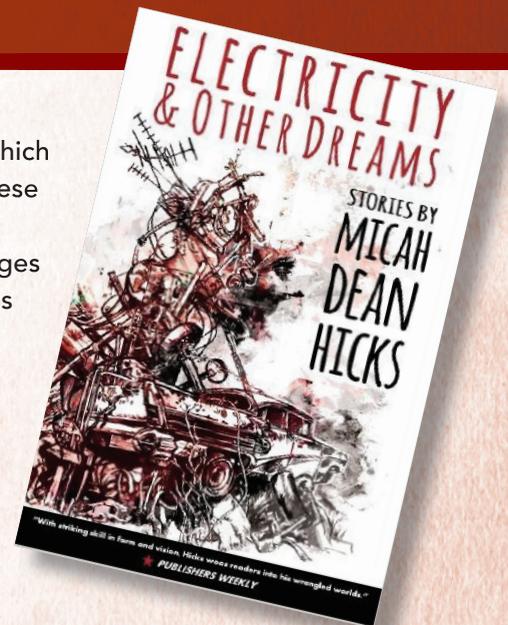
“ELECTRICITY & OTHER DREAMS”

Thursday, February 18, 2016
6:00 p.m.

McGowan Room of the
Mary Kintz Bevevino Library

The beguiling stories in *Electricity & Other Dreams* are in their own category, which might be described as Southern gothic meets tall tale meets dirty realism. In these magical yet down-to-earth stories we meet an old man made out of cans, an electrician who makes light simply by touching a bulb, a weatherman who arranges his own weather, a plumber who also gets rid of ghosts. Fortune cookie fortunes actually come true, alligators work in a factory, and Japanese warlords battle on a jet plane. And then there's the killer crawfish. Every story in this fantastic collection is gorgeously gritty and lots of fun. Micah Dean Hicks is a true original. ELIZABETH STUCKEY-FRENCH O. Henry Award-winner and author of *The Revenge of the Radioactive Lady*.

Dr. Micah Dean Hicks is a Calvino Prize-winning author of fabulist fiction. His work has appeared in *EPOCH Magazine*, *Chicago Tribune*, *Witness*, *New Letters*, and *Indiana Review*, among others. His story collection, *Electricity and Other Dreams*, was recently published by *New American Press* and received a starred review from *Publishers Weekly*. He received his PhD in creative writing and folklore from Florida State University. Currently, he teaches in the creative writing BFA program at Arkansas Tech University.



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