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## QURAYSH ALI LANSANA

join us for an evening of poetry discussion, wine, and snacks to follow

## TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 26 | 7:00PM MAINSITE CONTEMPORARY ART

Quraysh Ali Lansana is author of numerous poetry collections, including The Walmart Republic, w/Christopher Stewart (Mongrel Empire Press, 2014), mystic turf (Willow Books, 2012), and They Shall Run: Harriet Tubman Poems (Third World Press, 2004). the skin of dreams: new and collected poems 1995-2018 is forthcoming in April 2019. He is the editor of numerous other collections, including The Whiskey of Our Discontent: Gwendolyn Brooks as Conscience and Change Agent (Haymarket Books, 2017) and The Breakbeat Poets: New American Poetry in the Age of Hip Hop (Haymarket Books, 2015). Lansana has taught at The Art Institute of Chicago, The Juilliard School, and Chicago State University, and he is currently an Upper School Humanities Teacher at Holland Hall School and a Teaching Artist with the Center for Poets and Writers in Tulsa in addition to being a member of the Tri-City Collective.