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**Author Richard Terrill to be special guest at the Briggs Library Associates meeting**

*Summary: The award-winning poet and creative nonfiction writer will read from his work.*

(April 21, 2011)-Author Richard Terrill will be the special guest for the University of Minnesota, Morris Rodney A. Briggs Library Associates annual meeting on April 21, 2011. An award-winning author of works of nonfiction and poetry, Terrill's presentation is free and open to the public. It will be held at 7:30 p.m. on the first floor of the library following a brief business meeting and grant awards announcement. Refreshments will be served.

Terrill is the author of two collections of poems, *Almost Dark* and *Coming Late to Rachmaninoff*, winner of the Minnesota Book Award, as well as two books of creative nonfiction, *Fakebook: Improvisations on a Journey Back to Jazz* and *Saturday Night in Baoding: A China Memoir*, winner of the Associated Writing Programs Award for nonfiction.

He has received fellowships from the National Endowment for the Arts, the Wisconsin and Minnesota State Arts Boards, the Jerome Foundation, the MacDowell Colony, and the Bread Loaf Writers' Conference. Terrill received Fulbright awards to served as a professor in China, Korea, and Poland. Currently a Distinguished Faculty Scholar at Minnesota State University, Mankato, he teaches creative nonfiction and poetry writing in the master of fine arts program. A jazz saxophonist, he's also a member of the Larry McDonough Group.

[Briggs Library Associates](#) is comprised of people who love books, who enjoy cultural pursuits, and who believe in supporting the Rodney A. Briggs Library, an important campus and regional intellectual resource. Library Associates provide programming and exhibits that enrich the cultural, intellectual, and artistic life of the community and region. Membership is open to all who wish to promote the library's resources and encourage its use as Briggs ambassadors on campus and in the community.

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