The Belin-Blank Center presents:

A Scholastic Celebration in Three Acts

Saturday, March 11, 2017

Mary Swander, Iowa’s Poet Laureate
Virginia McEneny, Executive Director of the Alliance for Young Artists & Writers
Jan Warren, Assistant Director of the Belin-Blank Center

Recognition of our Partners

Recognition of American Visions and Grant Wood Legacy Winners
Lisa Lucas, Director of the National Book Foundation

Recognition of American Voices
Miguel Cervantes, Lead in Chicago production of ‘Hamilton’

Recognition of the 2017 Iowa & Midwest Scholastic Art & Writing Winners
Please join us in the Hubbard Commons for a reception honoring all of our awardees!
“...This is what I will write about. Not how I have survived and thrived despite it, but what it has done to me. Behind the laughter hides the story...”

“...Fortunes and hypnosis, I’ll bludgeon / the barge. I had dreams to sluice the fever out of fruit. / Next comes redemption...”

“It was her hands. Her hands were the first red flags, a sight that sounded all the alarms in my mind...”

“We used to dream of being knights, you know. / It all went wrong, of course; but now / you will not even let us dream...”

The Belin-Blank International Center for Gifted Education and Talent Development empowers and serves the gifted community through exemplary leadership in programs, research, and advocacy.

THE BELIN-BLANK CENTER:

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- Offers specialized educational opportunities for students
- Increases awareness and use of acceleration to enhance learning
- Provides assessment, counseling, and consultation services
- Develops curriculum resources and materials
- Facilitates the professional development of educators
- Disseminates information through conferences and publications
- Leads in local, national, and international policy formation
- Enhances educational opportunities through technology
- Collaborates with the worldwide gifted community
- Promotes access, diversity, and equity in developing talent...