

Announcing Picador Professor Christian Hawkey

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American Studies Leipzig looks forward to welcoming poet Christian Hawkey as Picador Guest Professor for the summer term 2010.

Christian Hawkey is the author of three volumes of poetry, the 2005 *HourHour*, the 2006 *Book of Funnels*, and the 2007 *Citizen Of*, all of which have received wide and distinct praise from critics. As Jason Schneiderman put it in 2007, “[h]e has the perfect hipster sense of language, the way to turn the phrase and turn the image so that it continually unfolds along its opposite edge, bringing the idea back onto itself before moving forward again.” Other reviews tend to emphasize Hawkey’s wit, calling his language “[s]imultaneously funny and eerie” and claiming that it simultaneously “evokes feelings of giddy anticipation and anxious foreboding.” Christian Hawkey has earned an M.F.A. in Creative Writing from the University of Massachusetts in Amherst, he has founded the bi-annual poetry journal “jubilat,” and has taught English and Creative Writing at Amherst and at the Pratt Institute in Brooklyn. His work has been translated into four different languages.



For more information on Christian Hawkey, please refer to

- <http://www.wavepoetry.com/authors/28> (includes links to audio files and excerpts of his work)
- <http://www.berliner-kuenstlerprogramm.de/en/gast.php?id=1091>

For more information on the Picador Professorship for Literature, please refer to

- <http://americanstudies.uni-leipzig.de/picador>
- http://www.vf-holtzbrinck.de/picador_engl.html

Meet Christian Hawkey

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American Studies Leipzig is very much interested in organizing Picador Professorship events (readings, round tables, panel discussions, etc.) with local, regional and national partners. **If you are interested in inviting Christian Hawkey for such events, please contact American Studies Leipzig directly to discuss possible arrangements.** Coordination of Picador-related events is done by:

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