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## **The Picador Professorship for Literature**

**Presents a Roundtable on**

### **"Literatures, Cultures, and National Identities"**

**With Picador Professor Tristan Hughes**

**Wednesday, 31 January 2007**

Villa Tillmanns

18:00-19:30

Followed by a Reception

We would be very pleased to have you join us for a roundtable with the acclaimed author Tristan Hughes, the first Picador Professor for Literature. Mr. Hughes will open the roundtable with some thoughts about literature, culture, and national identities and their multiple relationships. We will then enter a lively discussion with Mr. Hughes and those gathered for this special roundtable. After our dialog with Mr. Hughes there will be a reception where the discussion can continue with some refreshments.

**We hope to see you there!**

#### **Tristan Hughes**

Hughes's first two novels, *The Tower* (2003) and *Send My Cold Bones Home* (2006), have won wide literary acclaim. Tristan Hughes has also won The Rhys Davies Short Story Award. Hughes is seen as one of the truly promising writers of his generation.

#### **The Picador Professorship for Literature**

The Picador Professorship for Literature at the University of Leipzig is unique in Germany. It is housed at the Institute for American Studies. Involving a partnership between the Holtzbrinck Veranstaltungsforum, the DAAD, and the University of Leipzig, it is meant to bring leading young writers working in the English language to Leipzig and Mitteldeutschland to engage in teaching and dialog about the relationship between literature, language and culture, especially as they shape society's negotiation of diversity and difference.