

New York Times Magazine Writer and Author Benoit Denizet- Lewis to Read at UNH

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The University of New Hampshire's Department of English is pleased to announce that celebrated author and *New York Times Magazine* writer Benoit Denizet-Lewis will read from his work and hold a Q & A session at 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 11, 2016 at the Memorial Union Building, Theatre I, on the Durham Campus, as part of the UNH Writers Series.

Denizet-Lewis is the author of three nonfiction books and numerous *New York Times Magazine* pieces and cover stories on sexual identity, youth culture, sports, and dogs. His most recent book, *Travels with Casey: My Journey Through Our Dog-Crazy Country*, premiered on the *NYT* Bestseller list and was *People* and *Time*'s book of the week. His first book, *America Anonymous: Eight Addicts in Search of a Life*, was a *NYT* Editors' Choice. Denizet-Lewis is a co-producer of the film "I Am Michael," which is based on his 2011 *NYT Magazine* piece, "My Ex-Gay Friend." In 2014, *The Advocate* named Denizet-Lewis one of the 50 most influential LGBT people working in media. *Publishers Weekly* described his portraits of adolescents as "stirring and sensitive" as they struggle "to articulate desire and identity while bearing the weight of societal taboo and marginalization." The writer Andrew Solomon concurred, stating, "Benoit writes with an impressive mix of transparency and compassion... He sees deep into the sadness of desperate people, and equally deep into the systems that redeem such sadness."

Denizet-Lewis is an assistant professor in Emerson College's Writing, Literature & Publishing department. More information can be found on his website <http://www.benoitdenizetlewis.com/>

This event is free and open to the public.

For more information, contact the English Department at (603) 862-1313.

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