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William Burford, a poet and English professor from Texas Southern Methodist University, will make five appearances in the Olympia area the week of October 15. His talks, sponsored by Eye-5, are all free and open to the public.

Burford will appear at The Evergreen State College three times October 15: at 10 a.m. in Library room 2417 to conduct a workshop on the French poet Rimbau; at 1 p.m. in Library 2106 to discuss his view of a poet's creative tasks, and at 8 p.m. in Lecture Hall Five to deliver an informal reading of his works.

Burford will spend October 17 at St. Martin's College reading and discussing his poetry with several classes. And, he will meet with English students at Timberline High School October 18 at 9:20 a.m.

The poet will also visit Tacoma high schools October 16 as a guest of the city's poets.

A graduate of Amherst College and John Hopkins University, Burford has taught at the University of Texas, University of Montana, and Texas Christian University. He has published numerous poems in national magazines, is represented in four poetry anthologies, and authored two volumes of poetry: A World, published in 1962, and A Beginning, 1966.

He is also a recipient of a Fulbright Award to complete research in French poetry in Paris.

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