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Dionne Brand

Will read from her forthcoming book of non-fiction

A Map to the Door of No Return

Dionne Brand is an award winning poet, novelist and essayist. Her seven volumes of poetry include *Land to Light On* which won the Governor General's Award for Poetry and the Trillium Award for literature in 1997. The Globe and Mail said of her poetry, "Every once in a rare while a book of poetry – because it is poetry – appears on the literary landscape and breaks your heart... The impeccably crafted sequence contains the spirit and soul of human fealty, which acts as a shield against the brutality of human history."

Dionne Brand's fiction includes the critically acclaimed novels *In Another Place Not Here* – a 1998 New York Times notable book, and *At the Full and Change of the Moon* – a 1999 Los Angeles Times notable book.

Her works of non-fiction include *No Burden to Carry: Narratives of Black Working Women in Ontario* 1920's – 50's, a collection of oral histories; and *Bread out of Stone*, a book of essays for which Adrienne Rich called her "a cultural critic of uncompromising courage, an artist in language and ideas, an intellectual conscience for her country."

Brand is currently the Ruth Wynn Woodward Professor in Women's Studies at Simon Fraser University. She has been writer in residence at the University of Toronto, Assistant Professor of English at the University of Guelph and has taught at York University.

12:30, Wednesday, March 7th
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