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**Poet to read on USI campus**

The RopeWalk Readings Series, sponsored by University of Southern Indiana School of Liberal Arts, will feature poet **Liam Rector** at 7 p.m. October 28 in Mitchell Auditorium of the Health Professions Center on the USI campus. A book signing will follow.

Rector's books of poems are *American Prodigal* and *The Sorrow of Architecture*. His poetry, essays, and reviews have appeared in *The Paris Review*, *The New Republic*, *Slate*, *Agni*, *Ploughshares*, *The Los Angeles Times Book Review*, *Harvard Review*, and elsewhere.

He writes a regular column for *American Poetry Review* and has received Guggenheim and National Endowment for the Arts fellowships in poetry. He also has administered literary programs at the Folger Shakespeare Library, the Academy of American Poets, the National Endowment for the Arts, and Associated Writing Programs.

Rector holds graduate degrees from the Writing Seminars at Johns Hopkins and the Kennedy School of Government at Harvard. He lives in New York City and is the founder and director of the Graduate Writing Seminars at Bennington College in Vermont.

Presented by USI's School of Liberal Arts, the RopeWalk Reading Series is made possible through the support of RopeWalk Writers Retreat, the *Southern Indiana Review*, USI Society for Arts & Humanities, National Endowment for the Arts, Indiana Arts Commission, and USI Student Writers' Union.

Additional readings in the series are planned November 14 and December 5. All readings are free and open to the public. For additional information, visit [www.ropewalk.org](http://www.ropewalk.org).

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