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MacEwan Book of the Year celebrates 15 proud years of Canadian literary tradition

Edmonton--MacEwan University welcomes The Bone Cage author Angie Abdou, as the MacEwan Book of the Year program celebrates 15 years of bringing this literary tradition to the university and the Edmonton area.

Denise Roy, MacEwan University’s dean of the Centre for the Arts and Communications, initiated this program in 1997 after learning about post-secondary literary programs being run in the United States and discovering none existed in Canada.

Since then, MacEwan University has hosted the MacEwan Book of the Year program, honouring works of contemporary Canadian fiction. This program is made even more special by the addition of a visit by the selected work’s author to give readings, host writing workshops and interact with our faculty and students, among other events.

The 2011-12 selection is The Bone Cage by Angie Abdou. While it didn’t win the CBC’s Canada Reads competition in 2011 (though it was a finalist), The Bone Cage is considered by fans and critics to be one of Canada’s top sports literature novels and is taught in sport lit English classes across the country.

MacEwan University is pleased to celebrate this milestone achievement by inviting the public to attend a reading and Q&A session with Angie Abdou. This event is free and open to everyone.

When: Thursday, March 1, 7 p.m.
Where: CN Conference Theatre (5-142), City Centre Campus, MacEwan University

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