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Literary Arts Festival Features Award-Winning Poet and Essayist Rowan Ricardo Phillips

Brooklyn, NY—April 14, 2017—The English Department at City Tech will host the 36th Annual Literary Arts Festival featuring poet and essayist Rowan Ricardo Phillips on April 27, 2017, Voorhees Theater, 186 Jay Street, Downtown Brooklyn, starting at 5:30 p.m.

Mr. Phillips has published two books of poetry, *Heaven* and *The Ground*, in addition to a book of literary criticism, *When Blackness Rhymes with Blackness*. Phillips' many awards include the Whiting Award, the Guggenheim Award, and the Anisfield-Wolf Book Award, which recognizes contributions to understanding racism and cultural diversity. Phillips also writes about sports for the *Paris Review*.

The Festival will also include performances by City Tech students and readings by award winners of the Literary Arts Festival Writing Contest.

The 36th Literary Arts Festival will take place:

Thursday, April 27, 5:30 p.m.

Voorhees Theater, 186 Jay Street, City Tech (New York City College of Technology)

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Or see the OpenLab site:

<https://openlab.citytech.cuny.edu/literaryartsfestival/>

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