

Big Stories, Up Close.

Lifeline Theatre Hosts Chicago Author Adam Langer on Sunday, May 27, 2007

Book Signing (4-5 p.m.) and “*Crossing California*” Post-Show Discussion (8 p.m.)

Pre- and Post-Show Events are FREE - Sponsored by The Illinois Humanities Council



There will be a special event with Chicago’s own Adam Langer on **Sunday, May 27, from 4–5 PM**, where he will sign copies of his books (on sale in the lobby), from which he will also read excerpts. At 5:30 there will be a performance of his best-selling *Crossing California*. He will also hold a post-show talk-back after the 5:30 PM performance that day (starting around **8:00 PM**). Pre- and post-show events are FREE. **This event is sponsored by the Illinois Humanities Council.**

Lifeline’s artistic director Dorothy Milne says, “We are thrilled that Adam Langer will be doing a book reading and signing at Lifeline Theatre (just blocks from the setting of his first novel). We hope that his many Chicago friends and fans will join us here.”

(pictured left) High School students vent some adolescent angst by throwing donuts at passing cars in Lifeline Theatre’s adaptation of *Crossing California*. Photo by Suzanne Plunkett.



Adam Langer was born in 1967 and grew up on Mozart Street in Chicago’s West Rogers Park neighborhood, once home to Burghard’s Egg Factory, Roband’s Drugstore, and the Starsky & Fudge ice cream parlor. He visited Nortown Public Library, attended Boone Elementary, and went to Lunt Avenue Beach. He worked for a little over a decade as an editor, playwright, theater director, and writer for a number of periodicals, including the Chicago Reader. In 2000, he won a fellowship to Columbia University’s National Arts Journalism Program and he wrote fiction in New York while serving as senior editor of Book Magazine until 2003. His first novel Crossing California was published by Riverhead Books in 2004, and The Washington Story was published in August 2005. He has a weekly column for The Book Standard, and divides his time between Bloomington, Indiana, and New York City.

(pictured left) Author Adam Langer

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