Global CU: Poetry of home and community identity (A virtual dialogue)
When: 17 September, 2020
Time: 7:00-8:15pm CST

Summary: The Mortenson Center for International Library Programs (University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign Library) and the UNESCO Center for Global Citizenship invite you to a virtual dialogue by Champaign-Urbana (CU) residents, who have made CU home, whether they were born here or elsewhere. The dialogue will be based on poetry that speakers have selected and will read that reflects their sense of home (is the poetry from home -- near or far -- or about home?) and discuss how or whether the poetry contributes to their identity to CU as a community. What fills our heart, provides comfort, creates memory, reduces loneliness, feels familiar, creates connections and what is the meaning of place? are some of the questions we will explore. During the session, we welcome attendees to engage by asking questions, and sharing their poetry of home and community identity.

For more information, see:
https://www.library.illinois.edu/mortenson/ and
https://www.facebook.com/UnescoCenterForGlobalCitizenship/

Speakers:
- Jason Finkelman, Director, Global Arts Performance Initiatives, Krannert Center for the Performing Arts
- Emily Knox, Associate Professor, Interim Associate Dean for Academic Affairs, School of Information Sciences
- Amani Ayad, Community Member and Co-Founder of the UNESCO Center for Global Citizenship
- Kofi Bazzell-Smith, Artist, Boxer, U.S.-Japan Bridging Scholar
- Miriam Larson, Executive Director, Urbana-Champaign Independent Media Center

Moderators: Clara M. Chu, Mortenson Center for International Library Programs, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign & Barbara J. Ford, UNESCO Center for Global Citizenship

Free Registration:
https://illinois.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJAvduGtqT0rGdMAHSit8VqpvcxQYQzThI0vG