

Xavier University of Louisiana's Department of English and
Poets&Writers

invite you to a Poetry Reading by

Jonathan Moody

Monday, February 20, 2017, 7:00 P.M. at the University Center rm. 205



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Excerpt from PARANOID

I've passed down my fear
of the police to my baby boy
who always sleeps, frozen,
with his hands in the air.

Corralling around dancing
clouds, Lil' Bo Peep's
sheep wag their badges
behind them...

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Jonathan Moody graduated from Xavier University of Louisiana in 2002. He holds an MFA in Creative Writing from the University of Pittsburgh. He's also a Cave Canem graduate fellow. Moody, a Pushcart Prize nominee, is the author of *The Doomy Poems* (Six Gallery Press, 2012). His second collection, *Olympic Butter Gold*, won the 2014 Cave Canem Northwestern University Press Poetry Prize and will be published in the fall of 2015. His poetry has also appeared in various publications such as *African American Review*, *Beloit Poetry Journal*, *Borderlands: Texas Poetry Review*, *Boston Review*, *The Common*, *Harvard Review Online*, and *Xavier Review*.

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