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Carl Hancock Rux: WINTER SONG

An intimate evening of poetry and music



North Adams, Massachusetts —One of the most magnetic and engaging performers ever to grace a stage at MASS MoCA, we welcome back Carl Hancock Rux for an intimate set of songs and poetry set to live piano music that ranges from the blues to German lieder to Lili Boulanger. The New York Times says, "Carl Hancock Rux is full of promise and virtuosity...

a gifted poet who offers up vibrant imagery like a street corner preacher in the midst of a nervous breakdown."

An American poet, novelist, singer-songwriter, essayist, and Bessie Award and OBIE Award-winning artist, Rux's poetry deals with issues of race, religion, politics, sexuality, isolation, and personal relationships, while making use of satire, naturalism, and rhetoric to convey the observations embedded within his poetry. Rux delivers his poetry with an unparalleled lyrical intimacy: his voice, both literally and in terms of his writing, is undeniably his own.

Accompanied on the piano by Lon Kaiser, a Brooklyn-based composer and pianist known for his genrebending, improvisational style, Rux presents WINTER SONG, a scaled-down evening of beautiful poems selected from his records and anthologies.

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Carl Hancock Rux engages MASS MoCA audiences with his poetry on Saturday, March 28, at 8pm in

our Club B-10. Tickets are \$5 for members, \$8 for students, \$12 in advance, \$18 day of, and \$24

preferred.

Tickets for all events are available through the MASS MoCA box office located on Marshall Street in

North Adams, open 11am - 5pm Wednesdays through Mondays; closed Tuesdays through spring

2015. Tickets can also be reserved or charged by phone by calling 413.662.2111 during box office

hours.

About MASS MoCA

MASS MoCA is one of the world's liveliest (and largest) centers for making and enjoying today's most

important art, music, dance, theater, film, and video. Hundreds of works of visual and performing art

have been created on its 19th-century factory campus during fabrication and rehearsal residencies,

making MASS MoCA among the most productive sites in the country for the creation and presentation

of new art. More platform than box, MASS MoCA strives to bring to its audiences art experiences that

are fresh, engaging, and transformative.

MASS MoCA's galleries are open 11am to 5pm every day except Tuesdays. The Hall Art Foundation's

Anselm Kiefer exhibition is open seasonally and will reopen in spring 2015. Gallery admission is \$18

for adults, \$16 for veterans and seniors, \$12 for students, \$8 for children 6 to 16, and free for children

5 and under. Members are admitted free year-round. For additional information, call 413.662.2111

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