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DIY U Tonight at the Carter Library

Three Important Author Readings Coming up

Atlanta, GA. - Tonight, reporter Anya Kamenetz discusses the nation's education crisis and her book *DIY U (Do It Yourself University): Edupreneurs, and the Coming Transformation of Higher Education*. The reading and book signing begins at 7pm in the Carter Museum theater. It is open to the public at no charge.

John Merrow, Education Correspondent, PBS NewsHour calls *DIY U* "A fascinating and provocative book." David Halperin, Director, Campus Progress, and Senior Vice President, Center for American Progress says "Anya Kamenetz is one of the best reporters and commentators on the millennial generation and its economic future. In *DIY U*, she offers a provocative, highly-readable take on the growing challenge of ensuring an affordable college education, and she envisions an alternative path that would shake up the established order and radically transform how we learn."

Next week, we will host two very important author readings. On Monday, May 24th, the Carter Library and ACappella Books hosts Wes Moore, the author of *The Other Wes Moore*. Publishers Weekly describes the book saying "Two hauntingly similar boys take starkly different paths in this searing tale of the ghetto. Moore, an investment banker, Rhodes Scholar, and former aide to Condoleezza Rice, was intrigued when he learned that another Wes Moore, his age and from the same area of Greater Baltimore, was wanted for killing a cop. The result is a moving exploration of roads not taken...." The free reading is in the Carter Center Day Chapel and begins at 7pm. A book signing will follow Wes Moore's reading.

The following day, Tuesday, May 25th, former convict and now award-winning journalist Wilbert Rideau reads from his book, *In the Place of Justice*. ABC's Ted Koppel says "If years in solitary confinement and on death row shaped and refined the young killer, Wilbert Rideau, it can surely be said that Rideau did as much for the prison that held him longest, the Louisiana State Penitentiary at Angola. This is a breathtaking and, ultimately, triumphant story of rehabilitation through endurance and courageous journalism. It is also a searing indictment of a broken, corrupt penal system that does far more damage than good to our society as a whole. This is an extraordinary book." The free reading begins at 7pm in the Carter Museum Theater.

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