

The Program in American Studies at Northwestern University presents

MICHAEL

CHABON

On Edgar Allan Poe

MONDAY, APRIL 13, 2009

7:30 PM

Owen L. Coon Forum

Jacobs Center (Leverone Hall)

2001 Sheridan Road (near Foster Street)

Evanston Campus

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book signing to follow

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Michael Chabon is one of the most distinguished American writers of his generation. His novel *The Amazing Adventures of Kavalier & Clay* won the New York Society Library Prize for Fiction, the Bay Area Book Reviewers Award, the Commonwealth Club Gold Medal, and the Pulitzer Prize in 2001. Chabon's novella *The Final Solution* (2004) was awarded the 2005 National Jewish Book Award and also the 2003 Agfa Khan Prize for Fiction by *The Paris Review*, and his most recent book, *The Yiddish Policemen's Union*, won the 2008 Hugo Award for Best Novel. He also is a prominent critic and cultural observer, as well as a screenwriter and children's book author. Chabon's works explore themes which include American superheroism, Jewish identity, and history as popular culture, and his unique style blends complex literary metaphor with the action and energy characteristic of comic books. This lecture is part of the "Great Authors" series made possible by the generous support of the Office of the President, Northwestern University.

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