

# Changing the Conversation

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Join Community Members for a Conversation on Poverty and Housing!



**Matthew Desmond**  
Pulitzer Prize Winning Author of  
***EVICTED***  
***Poverty and Profit in the American City***

Thursday, November 14, 2019

7:30 pm

Page Hall, University at Albany

Join author Matthew Desmond for an informative lecture and discussion on his award 2016 winning book, *Evicted*. Based on years of embedded fieldwork and painstakingly gathered data, this masterful book transforms our understanding of extreme poverty and economic exploitation while providing fresh ideas for solving a devastating, uniquely American problem. Its unforgettable scenes of hope and loss remind us of the centrality of home, without which nothing else is possible. This book and event will empower you with information to empower you to join and change the conversation in our Capital Region community.

"It doesn't happen every week (or every month, or even year), but every once in a while a book comes along that changes the national conversation... *Evicted* looks to be one of those books."

—**Pamela Paul, New York Times Book Review**

"*Evicted* is that rare book that both enlightens and serves as an urgent call for action."

—**William Julius Wilson**  
**Harvard University, and author of**  
***When Work Disappears***

"Following in the footsteps of revelatory books like Jacob Riis's *How the Other Half Lives ... [Evicted]* will inevitably be one of the most important books this year."

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**About the Author** Matthew Desmond is a professor of sociology at Princeton University. The principal investigator of The Eviction Lab, Desmond's research focuses on poverty in America, city life, housing insecurity, public policy, racial inequality, and ethnography. He is the recipient of a MacArthur "Genius" Fellowship, the American Bar Association's Silver Gavel Award, and the William Julius Wilson Early Career Award. A contributing writer for the *New York Times Magazine*, Desmond was listed in 2016 among the Politico 50, as one of "fifty people across the country who are most influencing the national political debate."

The event is free and open to the public, however, registration is required. To secure your spot, visit [www.cfgr.org/evicted](http://www.cfgr.org/evicted). Also, you can find links to reading guides for book clubs, schools and faith communities, status updates on regional data in the Capital Region, and organizations supporting those living in poverty.

**Changing the Conversation** is a community partnership among Catholics Charities, the Community Foundation, Unity House and the NYS Writers Institute. Our goals are to educate and raise awareness around community issues inspire changemakers to take action. For more information on how you can be involved and support us, call 518-446-9638.

