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Author Ethan Hauser will be on campus February 12th and 13th as part of the Beanstalk Lecture series. On Thursday, February 12th, at 8:15 pm Hauser will give a reading of his work in the Hollins Room in the library. On Friday Hauser will participate in a Q&A session from 11 am—noon, also in the Hollins Room. That afternoon he will participate in a special event titled, “Not Drinking Coffee with Ethan Hauser” for more details about this exiting creative event, see the box below.

Hauser’s work includes the 2013 book *The Measures Between Us* and his writing has appeared in *Esquire, Playboy, and New Stories from the South*. He currently lives in New York City and is a former editor of the *New York Times*, where his work also appears.

What inspires you to write? We think that inspiration can be found any time, any place, and we’d like you to prove it! Based on Hauser’s recent *New York Times* article, “I Am Not a Coffee Drinker”, this event challenges you to turn the mundane into a must-read. Use one of our everyday objects to inspire your short story, poem, essay, or other creative work.

Join us on Friday, February 13th in the Reading Room of the library from 2:00—4:00 pm to meet Ethan and create something. Snacks and drinks will be provided (but no coffee!).

Works created during the event will be on exhibit in the library for two weeks.
CLE MOVING TO LIBRARY IN FALL 2015

The Center for Learning Excellence (CLE) is moving to the library! In fall 2015 the Writing Center and the Quantitative Reasoning (QR) Center will be located on the first floor of the library in the area currently occupied by Government Documents. The space will be completely renovated and include a new classroom.

To make space for the new CLE, the library is carefully reducing our print collection of Government Documents and moving the remaining documents to the ground floor. Construction will begin this summer and is partially funded by a grant from the Mary Morton Parsons Foundation of Richmond, Va.

Brent Stevens, Director of the Writing Center, looks forward to the move. “I’m thrilled about the move because it will give us opportunities to collaborate on the spot with the library staff and offers greater exposure for our tutors,” said Stevens. “And I mean that both figuratively and literally. It’s a bright place; I’m sure their Vitamin D levels will elevate.”

Questions or comments? Please contact Luke Vilelle, University Librarian, at lvilelle@hollins.edu or 362.6232.

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Rock the Stacks presents: ilyAIMY

Mark your calendars for a concert in the library! ilyAIMY will perform in the Reading Room of the library on Sunday, February 22nd from 7—9pm. Snacks and drinks will be provided.

ilyAIMY (“i love you And I Miss You”) is a percussive acoustic rock “animal” from Baltimore, Maryland. Jake Stevens from On Tap Magazine describes the band as “[a] bone-rattling acoustic act... with driving lyrical force [and] male/female harmonies that lock in, lift, drop and pull ... And then they slow it down and rip you open.” To listen to their music and find out more information about the band, visit their website at www.ilyaimy.com.

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