

## 2017 Franke Visiting Fellow Lecture

Harold Augenbraum, the 2017 Franke Visiting Fellow at the Whitney Humanities Center, will give a lecture titled “What Translation Means: The Extent and Impact of Translation in America,” on Tuesday, February 21, at 5 pm in Room 208 of the WHC.

For twelve years, Augenbraum was Executive Director of the National Book Foundation, presenter of the National Book Awards. He has translated, among other works, Alvar Núñez Cabeza de Vaca’s *Chronicle of the Narváez Expedition* and the Filipino novelist José Rizal’s *Noli Me Tangere* and *El Filibusterismo*. In 2012, the University of Texas Press published his co-translation (with Ilan Stavans) of *The Plain in Flames* by Juan Rulfo; in 2013, Penguin Classics published his edition of the *Collected Poems of Marcel Proust*. He is currently carrying out a research project on the business of translation in the United States under a grant from the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation. In 2015, Concordia College in Moorhead, Minnesota, awarded him the degree of Doctor of Humane Letters, *honoris causa*.

The Franke Visiting Scholars and Artists Program is made possible by the generosity of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Franke. The creation of this special residential fellowship is intended to ensure ongoing interdisciplinary exchange and creative debate at the Whitney in particular and at Yale in general. The Franks have also endowed an annual lecture series and the Franke Program in Science and the Humanities at the Whitney.

The event is free and open to the public. For more information, contact the Whitney Humanities Center at 203 432-0670 or email [whitneyhumanitiescenter@yale.edu](mailto:whitneyhumanitiescenter@yale.edu).