

Garrison Keillor to read at University at Albany

ALBANY ♦ Garrison Keillor, American radio personality and master of the art of storytelling, will read from his new novel, "Love Me," Tuesday at 8 p.m. in the Recreation and Convocation Center on the University at Albany's uptown campus.

The event is cosponsored by the New York State Writers Institute and UAlbany's Office of the President, and is free and open to the public.

Keillor, best-known for his acclaimed Public Radio programs, "A Prairie Home Companion" and "The Writer's Almanac," is also the author of several best-selling novels and short-story collections. *The Washington Post* has proclaimed Keillor "a storytelling

genius," and *Time* magazine has called him "the funniest American writer still open for business."

Keillor's latest novel is "Love Me," the story of Larry Wyler, a star-struck Minnesotan with literary aspirations who abandons his young wife in St. Paul in order to try his luck among New York's rich and famous writers.

He meets with success, both as a staff writer for *The New Yorker* and as a ladies' man, but it quickly comes to an end. In trouble with his wife, and out of favor at *The New Yorker*, Wyler ekes out a living as "Mr. Blue," an advice columnist for lovesick readers.

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