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Recipients of the 2015 Eartha Dengler History Award



Lawrence History Center

2015 Eartha Dengler History Award Ceremony
Union Crossing, 50 Island Street, Lawrence, MA
June 18, 2015



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The Lawrence History Center 2015 Eartha Dengler History Award Recipients

Lou Bernieri and Rich Gorham

Lou Bernieri and **Rich Gorham** have brought together their shared roots in both Phillips Academy and the city of Lawrence to develop a remarkable writing program for teachers that inspires young people to discover and draw on their own strengths. Working with teachers who are trained in both youth development and the teaching of writing, young students find their own voices, and tell their own stories. They take back the narratives of their lives and their community, and come to appreciate, perhaps for the first time, the unique value they bring to the communities they live in.

The Andover Bread Loaf (ABL) program, as it is formally known, is based at Phillips Academy and anchored in the immigrant city of Lawrence. Initially shaped by the challenges and the hopes of the city, through the guidance of Lou and Rich's shared vision and passion, ABL has now grown to communities worldwide. Dozens of young writers are gathering weekly at El Taller / The Workshop in downtown Lawrence to share their work and their hopes. In Lawrence and beyond, hundreds of program "graduates" are helping to rebuild and transform their communities through their unlocked skills, their leadership, and their empowered understanding of who they are.

Arrival and Cocktail Hour Music by *The Wobbly Boys*

Welcome

Mayor Daniel Rivera, City of Lawrence
Susan Grabski, Executive Director, Lawrence History Center
Armand Hyatt, General Counsel, Lawrence CommunityWorks/Union Crossing

Speakers

Michael Fiato, Headmaster, Lawrence High School
Fernando R. Alonso, Director of Outreach and Summer Session, Phillips Academy
Dixie Goswami, Bread Loaf Teacher Network, Middlebury College

Performances

Nate Baez, Dariana Guerrero, Keyla Rodriguez, Edwin Santana

Award Presentation

Mary Guerrero and Adele Carter, Board of Directors, Lawrence History Center

Closing Remarks