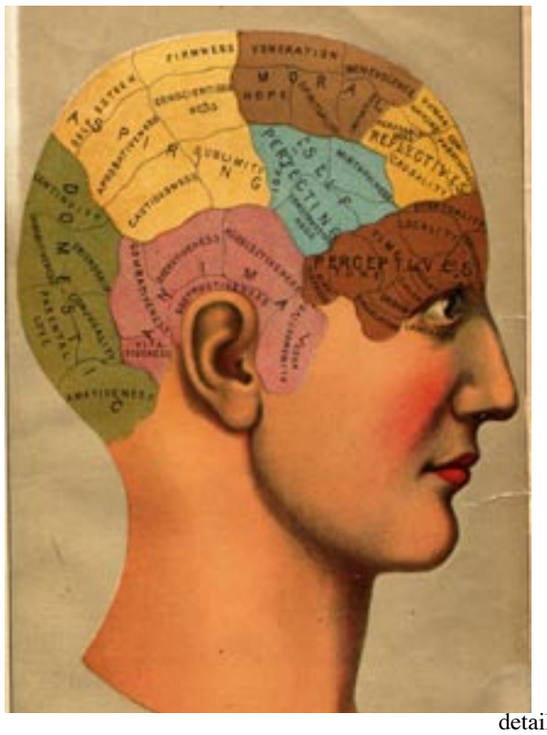
# The Wolfe Institute

*The Ethyle R.Wolfe Institute for the Humanities,*
*in cooperation with the Department of English, the MFA Playwriting Program, the MFA Poetry Program, and the MFA Fiction Program,*
*presents*

**A Reading of Poetry, Fiction, and Playwriting from Brooklyn College Alumni**

## Anselm Berrigan, Sara Shepard, and Erin Courtney

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**Anselm Berrigan** is the author of four books of poetry, the most recent of which is *Free Cell*, just out from City Lights. He received his MFA from Brooklyn College in 1998, edits poetry for *The Brooklyn Rail*, and co-edited *The Collected Poems of Ted Berrigan* with Alice Notley and Edmund Berrigan. He is co-chair of Writing at the Milton Avery Graduate School of the Arts, and was Artistic Director of The Poetry Project at St. Mark's Church from 2003-2007.

**Sara Shepard** is a 2005 graduate of the Brooklyn College MFA Fiction Program. She is the author of the novel *The Visibles* and the New York Times/ USA Today bestselling young adult series *Pretty Little Liars*, the latest of which is called *Killer*. Formerly a Brooklyn resident, she now lives outside Philadelphia with her husband.

**Erin Courtney** is a playwright whose work has been developed and produced by Clubbed Thumb, Soho Rep, New York Stage Film, The Flea Theater and the Vineyard. Her play *Demon Baby* is published in the anthology *New Downtown Now* edited by Mac Wellman and Young Jean Lee. She most recently co-wrote the libretto of *Kaspar Hauser: A Foundling's Opera* with Elizabeth Swados. This fall you can see her work at The Flea Theater in an evening of short plays titled *The Great Recession*. She earned her MFA from the Brooklyn College playwriting program with Mac Wellman and her BA from Brown Univeristy with Paul Vogel. She currently teaches playwriting at Brooklyn College.

## Tuesday, December 8, 2009
## 9:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.
## Sycamore Bar
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