New Orleans in the American Imaginary

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**WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 28 • 5 PM**

**Natasha Trethewey**, United States
Poet Laureate, 2012–2014

*“Bellocq’s Ophelia: New Orleans in the American Imaginary”*

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 4 • 5 PM**

**Tom Piazza**, novelist and writer on American music

*“Improvising Identity: New Orleans and the American Dream”*

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 11 • 5 PM**

**Mitch Landrieu**, mayor of New Orleans

*“NOLA 2018: New Orleans Tricentennial”*

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 18 • 5 PM**

**Lynnell Thomas**, American Studies
University of Massachusetts Boston

*“New Orleans at 300: Tourism, Historical Memory, and Post-Katrina Reality”*