

PAUL KINGSNORTH: *The Laws of Nature and of Nature's God*

Wednesday, October 23
7 p.m.
ELC Forum

Award-winning Irish Author Paul Kingsnorth will speak on “The Laws of Nature and of Nature's God” on Wed. Oct. 23 at 7 p.m. in the Elaine Langone Center Forum.

Paul Kingsnorth



Kingsnorth is author of the award-winning Buccmaster Trilogy novels, a former publications editor for Greenpeace, and co-founder of the Dark Mountain Project, which among other things called on artists to mobilize storytelling on behalf of the environment. Previously he spent time in jail for his ecological activism. He currently lives on a sustainable farm with his family, where he writes on topics related to religion and nature. His talk at Bucknell will focus on a phrase from the U.S. Declaration of Independence, to question its basis in natural law as understood in the post-Enlightenment West. Kingsnorth's views are informed by more mystical views (such as Basil of Caesarea's definition of natural law as the spark of God's love in the human heart)

and how they can transform approaches to both nature and government.

He comes to Bucknell as a speaker for the Nature, Power, and Justice course “The Hidden God of Nature” (ENLS 341), with his talk co-sponsored on campus by the Environmental Humanities Group of the Bucknell Humanities Center, the Bucknell Orthodox Christian Fellowship, and the Bucknell Program for American Leadership. His visit is made possible by generous funding from the Open Discourse Coalition.

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