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A Celebration of the Life and Work of **Dennis Brutus**



(28 November, 1924 - 26 December, 2009)

Our good friend Dennis Brutus died on December 26. He will be missed.

Dennis was an amazing fellow, always positive and looking to the future. During the Bush years when most of us were wandering around depressed, Dennis returned from the first World Social Forum, and said: "I bring good news. Wonderful things are happening in the south." Who else but Dennis could attack our depression with a view to the future? With the challenge to continue the fight.

Dennis was on stage with William Safford at the Dodge Poetry Festival discussing poetry and commented about corporate control of the university and the arts. Safford said that these were the people who paid their (poets) wages. Dennis's comment was: "I will bite the hand that feeds me."

Come share and hear Dennis Brutus's poetry and stories of his life by his friends and admirers. You can tell a story, read your favorite Dennis Brutus poem, or read something you want to dedicate to Dennis. This will be a pot luck affair, so please bring something good to eat.

We hope you can join us.

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Please see this statement from Patrick Bond, a friend of Dennis's from South Africa:

<http://www.monthlyreview.org/mrzine/brutus261209.html> Patrick Bond, "Dennis Vincent Brutus, 1924-2009"
World-renowned political organizer and one of Africa's most celebrated poets, **Dennis Brutus**, died early on December 26 in Cape Town, in his sleep, aged 85. ...