A Public Humanities Series Lecture by

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“Thinking about 'Tomorrow and Tomorrow and Tomorrow': Bill Clinton, Macbeth, and High School English”

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In 1990, then Governor Bill Clinton walked into an English class in rural Arkansas as they were studying Macbeth, and recited a soliloquy from the tragedy that he had memorized during his own senior year. The moment represented a remarkable convergence between literature, politics and the history of education.

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