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**ACCLAIMED WRITER AND ARTIST DAVE EGGERS TO GIVE TALK AT NEVADA MUSEUM OF ART
Eggers to discuss personal creative process and themes in first museum exhibition, 'Insufferable Throne of God.'**

Reno, Nev. (March 20, 2015) – The Nevada Museum of Art welcomes critically acclaimed writer and artist Dave Eggers for a premiere visit to Reno, Thursday, April 2. The visit runs in conjunction with his first museum exhibition, *Insufferable Throne of God*. Eggers will discuss his art process, creative production, and themes embedded in the show in a public conversation with noted art collector and CEO of Chronicle Books, Nion McEvoy. A Q&A session and book signing will follow the talk.

Known best as a San Francisco-based writer, Eggers has written six critically acclaimed books, including his memoir, *A Heartbreaking Work of Staggering Genius*. However, Eggers first focused on visual arts before he became a writer. Although his literary career is his primary focus, he still actively engages in art and graphic design practice.

Eggers recently returned to drawing animals over the past year. Many of his drawings and paintings integrate short phrases, often drawn from the Bible, such as those featured in *Insufferable Throne of God*. The exhibition's strange, powerful images of animals contain plaintive text inspired by or taken from the Old Testament.

Eggers explains, "I think of what that animal might be thinking – if that animal had an antagonistic relationship with humans and was vying with those humans for the favor of a Catholic God."

Dave Eggers and Nion McEvoy: A Conversation takes place Thursday, April 2, 7 pm at the Nevada Museum of Art. Theater seating has sold out, but a limited number of simulcast overflow seats are available. The simulcast will occur in the third floor Founder's Room, where attendees can purchase cocktails from a cash bar operated by Chez Louie. Tickets cost \$12 or \$8 for Museum Members.

Following the talk, Eggers will sign copies of his books for attendees. Copies of Eggers' illustration books are exclusively available at the Museum Store, including *It Is Right to Draw Their Fur* and the last available copies of *More Things Like This*, a book now out of print. Eggers' literary works may be purchased from Sundance Bookstore and Music ahead of the event, or in the pop-up shop Sundance will host throughout the evening in the Museum theater lobby.

Dave Eggers: Insufferable Throne of God will be exhibited now through July 26, 2015 in the Casazza Gallery at the Nevada Museum of Art, Donald W. Reynolds Center for the Visual Arts, E. L. Wiegand Gallery located at 160 West Liberty Street in downtown Reno.

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