



Wednesday,
March 9
at 7 pm

Join us for an evening with:

Ahdaf Soueif

author of

The Map of Love
in conversation with
Yvette Christiansë

"Half-romance and half a gently nationalist defence of Egypt - Soueif never raises her voice." — *The London Review of Books*

Ahdaf Soueif is the author of the bestselling *The Map of Love* which was shortlisted for the Booker Prize for Fiction in 1999. Ms. Soueif is also a political and cultural commentator. A collection of her essays, *Mezzaterra: Fragments from the Common Ground*, was published in 2004. Her translation (from Arabic into English) of Mourid Barghouti's *I Saw Ramallah* also came out in 2004. She lives with her children in London and Cairo.

Poet and fiction writer Yvette Christiansë was born in South Africa under apartheid and immigrated with her parents to Australia at age 18. Her work has been published internationally, and her poetry collection, *Castaway*, was a finalist for the 2001 PEN International Poetry Prize. Her acclaimed first novel, *Unconfessed*, is based on the life of a slave woman in the Cape Colony and was a finalist for the 2007 Hemingway/PEN International Prize for First Fiction.

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