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Don C. Lee, black poet, will read his poetry at Bennington College Tuesday, May 13 at 8:30 p.m. in Barn I. The public is invited and there is no admission charge.

Lee is currently Black Writen-in-Residence at Cornell University. He is on leave from his duties as a staff member of the Museum of African-American History and instructor of Afro-American Literature at Columbia College in Chicago, Illinois.

Lee has published three books of poetry, "Think Black!", "Black Pride" and "Don't Cry, Scream." His poems and articles have appeared in "Negro Digest," "Journal of Black Poetry," "Evergreen Review," "Freedomways" and "The New York Times," among other journals and newspapers. He is currently working on an autobiographical novel, a collection of essays, some short stories, and a book on poetry and black art in collaboration with Omar Loma.

As an active member of the Organization of Black American Culture, Lee participates in its Writers' Workshop, an organization composed of a group of Chicago ghetto artists who promote black-oriented art and culture.

His appearance at Bennington College is sponsored by the Black Studies Program.