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REFUGEES IN THE HEARTLAND

APRIL 4–7, 2013, UNIVERSITY OF IOWA

A conference about what it means to be a refugee and making the Midwest home. Panelists and presenters including refugees themselves from across the Midwest will share stories about the meaning of resettlement for rebuilding a livelihood, physical security, and mental well being, as well as discuss past and present refugee law and policy in the US and globally.

KAO KALIA YANG
Hmong refugee, celebrated author of the memoir, The Latehomecomer. She will participate in WorldCanvass on April 5 and lead a workshop for aspiring refugee writers on April 6.

ALEKSANDAR HEMON
Bosnian refugee, journalist, essayist, highly acclaimed fiction writer, MacArthur “Genius” Award recipient. He will read from his new work and visit with conference participants on April 6/7.

ALEK WEK
Sudanese refugee, couture model, author, activist. She will participate in conference activities, including WorldCanvass on April 5.

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