## **Ekphrasis:**Writing with Cliff

In this writing workshop, Writer-in-Residence Ariel Gordon and George Toles focus on ekphrasis – creative writing that takes art as its subject. Participants will engage with *Untitled*, Cliff Eyland's massive installation of small paintings in Millennium library's lobby. Spend time taking inspiration from - and writing to - some of the faces and places, thoughts and feelings that are featured on the wall. Participants will have some focused time to work on their first drafts.

Eyland (1954-2020) worked with the traditional 3" by 5" library catalogue card as his inspiration and believed that "the most important art institution has always been the library not the art gallery." **Ariel Gordon** is Winnipeg Public Library's 2025-2026 Writer-in-Residence and is currently working on a manuscript of ekphrastic poetry. **George Toles** is a Distinguished Professor of Film and Literature at the University of Manitoba. He collaborated with Cliff Eyland on *Status Update*, published in 2021.

## **Millennium Library**

Saturday, November 8 1-4 p.m.



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