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Wednesday, November 11, 2015, 6 – 8:30 PM
Multicultural Arts Center, 41 Second St., Cambridge, MA
Drinks and hors d'oeuvres will be served

Lani Guinier is the Bennett Boskey Professor of Law at Harvard Law School, at which she was the first woman of color appointed to a tenured professorship. Previously, she was a professor at the University of Pennsylvania Law School. Professor Guinier worked in the Civil Rights Division at the U.S. Department of Justice, then headed the voting rights project at the NAACP Legal Defense Fund. Her many scholarly and general-access articles and books include her most recent book, *The Tyranny of the Meritocracy: Democratizing Higher Education in America*. Her work has addressed issues of race, gender, and democratic decision-making and has exposed the damaging consequences of test use in college admissions. She has received many awards and 10 honorary doctorates.

Nancy Carlsson-Paige is co-founder of Defending the Early Years and Professor Emerita at Lesley University. As an education activist, writer and public speaker, Nancy advocates for play-based, experiential education for young children and against over-testing and harmful education policies. She was a teacher educator for more than 30 years at Lesley, where she co-founded The Center for Peaceable Schools. Her books, articles, and op eds stress the need for optimal growth for children while opposing the prevailing climate of harmful education policies, media saturation, and diminishing play. At Defending the Early Years and alongside other early childhood leaders, Nancy calls for education policies and practices that promote social justice, equity, and the well-being of all children.

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