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Journalist and *New York Times* Best Selling Author, Beth Macy comes to the Joan C. Edwards Performing Arts Center February 22

HUNTINGTON, WV – The Marshall Health Network and City of Huntington present **journalist and bestselling author Beth Macy on Thursday, Feb. 22, 2024, at the Joan C. Edwards Performing Arts Center at 7:30PM.** Macy will discuss the unraveling of rural America from the aftermath of globalization to the opioid crisis – the subject of her latest book ***Raising Lazarus: Hope, Justice, and the Future of America's Overdose Crisis*** – as part of the new **Masters at Marshall Distinguished Speaker Series.**

Macy is a Virginia-based journalist who writes about outsiders and underdogs. Raised poor in a small Ohio community, she is the award-winning author of three *New York Times* bestselling books examining rural communities left behind by corporate greed and political indifference. Her first book, ***Factory Man***, explored the aftermath of globalization and won a J. Anthony Lukas Prize. Her second book ***Dopesick*** was short-listed for the Carnegie Medal, won the *L.A. Times* Book Prize for Science and Technology, was described as a “masterwork of narrative nonfiction” by the *New York Times*, and was adapted into a Peabody- and Emmy Award-winning Hulu series. Macy was an executive producer and cowriter on the show.

A 2010 Nieman Fellow for Journalism at Harvard and a 2023 Guggenheim Fellow, Macy has also written for *The New York Times*, *The Wall Street Journal*, *The*

Atlantic, and *The Washington Post*. Her next book, ***Paper Girl***, is a combination memoir and reported examination of the rural-urban divide told through the lenses of declining upward mobility, political polarization, and the decimation of local and regional news.

Tickets for Beth Macy are \$76.49. The Marshall Artists Series accepts all major credit cards. For tickets, call the Marshall Artists Series Box Office at 304-696-6656 or visit [ticketmaster.com](https://www.ticketmaster.com). Tickets may also be purchased at our box office location on the campus of Marshall University in the Joan C. Edwards Performing Arts Center Monday – Friday, 12PM – 4 PM.

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