

The Department of English invites you to a talk by

Dr. Saikat Majumdar of Stanford University

"Modernism and the Banality of Narrative"

Venue: A.J.C. Bose Auditorium, Main Building, Presidency University

Date & time: Thursday, 21 August 2014, 3:30 p.m.

Saikat Majumdar is a novelist and critic who teaches English at Stanford University. He is the author of a monograph on global modernism, *Prose of the World* (Columbia UP & Orient Blackswan, 2013), and a novel, *Silverfish* (HarperCollins, 2007), set in nineteenth century Bengal and late-twentieth century Calcutta. Saikat's current book project, *The Amateur*, is a study of the literary public intellectual from the global British Empire as an amateur and autodidactic figure. His second novel, set in the theatre world of Calcutta, is forthcoming in 2015.