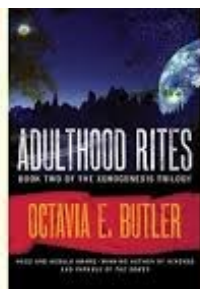


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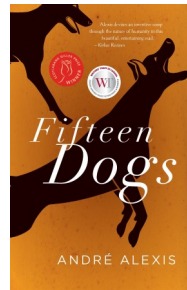
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Pam Bedore,
Associate Professor
of English at the
University of
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Point, will lead this
series. Multiple
copies of the books will be available at the
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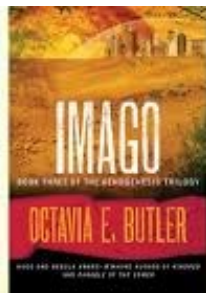
**Monday, September 9
7-8:30 pm**
Adulthood Rites by
Octavia Butler (1988)

Bk. #2 of Lilith's Brood
In the sequel to *Dawn*, Akin,
the son of Lilith, struggles to
cope with his dual human and alien Oankali
legacy while preparing for the time of
metamorphosis when he will take on the form
of future human beings.



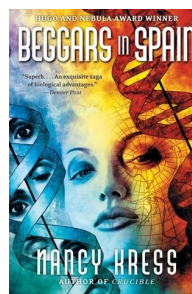
**Monday, November 4
7-8:30 pm**
Fifteen Dogs by André Alexis
(2015)

When is a dog not a dog? Two
Greek gods bet on what would
happen to 15 unsuspecting
canines if they were granted human
intelligence.



**Monday, October 14
7-8:30 pm**
Imago by Octavia Butler
(1989)

Bk.#3 of Lilith's Brood
Jodah is an ooloi, a being
beyond gender, born with the
alien Oankali power to mix pure DNA within
its body. But the child is also the first ooloi
born to a human mother, and its destiny is
unknown. The futures of both humans and
Oankali rest in one young being's successful
metamorphosis into adulthood.



**Monday, December 9
7-8:30 pm**
Beggars In Spain by
Nancy Kress (1993)

The product of an experiment
in genetic manipulation,
superintelligent Leisha
Camden is forced to live a life apart from
most "ordinary" people and seeks the
companionship of other superhumans.