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# UMD prof at Boston Book Festival

BOSTON — More than two million people are currently imprisoned in the U.S. Former prisoners narrate stories about their personal journeys with literature during the Boston Book Festival's forum "Unbound: Book Behind Bars."

Robert P. Waxler, professor of English from the University of Massachusetts Dartmouth, will moderate the panel. The panel includes William Gaul, Judge Robert Kane, Michael Krupa and Edson Monteiro. The panelists represent literacy organi-

zations that use reading as part of the rehabilitation of criminal offenders.

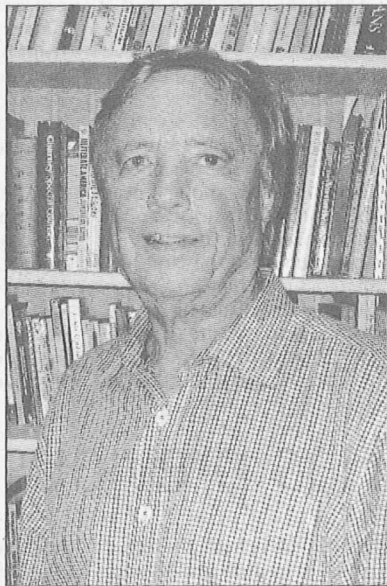
"I would like to thank the Prison Book Project, especially Pam Boiros, for putting this extraordinary panel together. I look forward to a lively and interesting discussion," Waxler said.

"Unbound: Books Behind Bars" is slated for Saturday, Oct. 27, beginning at 4 p.m. The event will be held at the Boston Public Library located at 700 Boylston St. The Boston Book Festival is New England's largest annual literary event. All day events are free. The

event hosts a street fair and various writing workshops.

The keynote speaker for this year is Pulitzer Prize-winning author Richard Ford. Ford is most noted for "The Sportswriter," "Independence Day," "The Lay of the Land," and his most recent novel, "Canada." Ford was also awarded the PEN/Faulkner Award for fiction.

For more information about this year's Boston Book Festival, visit the website at [www.boston-bookfest.org](http://www.boston-bookfest.org) or call Joyce Linehan at 617-282-2510.



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