Tayari Jones
Silver Sparrow

Tayari Jones Reading & Book Signing
February 27, 2013 at 6:00pm
356 in Downtown Clemson

Tayari Jones, author of three award winning novels, will visit Clemson to read from her most recent work, Silver Sparrow. Silver Sparrow is Jones’s third novel, published in 2011 by Algonquin Books. Silver Sparrow was named as The American Booksellers #1 Indie Next pick for June 2011. The novel was also chosen by the Library Journal, Oprah’s O Magazine, and Slate and Salon as the best novel of the year. The novel was named as an Honor Book by the Black Caucus of the American Library Association, and has been nominated for an NAACP Image Award and the 2013 IMPAC Dublin International Literary Award. Jones’s work has been recognized by the national media for its realistic representation of the culture of Atlanta and impact on African American literature.

Tayari Jones is a novelist from Atlanta, Georgia, known for her novels Leaving Atlanta, The Untelling, and Silver Sparrow. Jones largely reflects her childhood spent in Atlanta in her writing. Jones is a recipient of a Lifetime Achievement Award in Fine Arts from the Congressional Black Caucus Foundation and a graduate of Spelman College, The University of Iowa, and Arizona State University. She has spent the last academic year at Harvard University as a Radcliffe Institute Fellow, researching her upcoming novel, Dear History.