## FROM ROOT TO BRANCH TRAVELS IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF THE ENSLAVED



**AMINATTA FORNA ACCLAIMED NOVELIST, MEMOIRIST**  Author, broadcaster, and journalist Aminatta Forna will discuss recent work on a "reverse Roots" project that stems from her childhood in West Africa. She will trace her own links to the cultural heritage of Sierra Leone through the enslaved in the Americas. Forna is the award-winning author of the three novels *The Hired Man, The* Memory of Love, and Ancestor Stones, and a critically-acclaimed memoir The Devil That Danced on the Water. This presentation is part of a larger initiative of the Kansas African Studies Center at the University of Kansas that promotes constructive dialogue about migration to create a deeper understanding of American identities.



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