Friday, February 5th (7pm)

Philipp Meyer is the author of *The Son* and *American Rust*. Meyer grew up in a working class neighborhood in Baltimore and has worked as an EMT, a construction worker, and a financial trader. He received his MFA from the Michener Center for Writers at the University of Texas at Austin. Meyer’s first novel, *American Rust*, won the Los Angeles Times Book Prize. His second novel, *The Son*, was runner-up for the Pulitzer Prize. A New York Times Notable Book and on numerous “Ten Best Books” lists, *The Son* has been on the bestseller list in six countries, and Meyers is in the process of adapting it for television. Meyer has been awarded a Guggenheim Fellowship, a Dobie Paisano Fellowship, and named one of the New Yorker’s 20 best writers under 40.