

**ELIZABETH BISHOP SOCIETY OF NOVA SCOTIA
2017 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

Saturday, 17 June 2017 at 1:00 p.m.

at St. James Church, Great Village, Nova Scotia

This event is open to the public. Everyone is welcome.

Refreshments catered by the **Great Village Fire Brigade Auxiliary.**

The EBSNS will be opening the “**Elizabeth Bishop’s Beginnings**” exhibit
and the “**Echoes of Elizabeth Bishop**” art gallery.

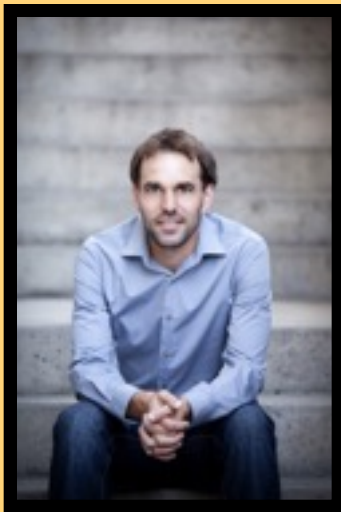
And we will be **drawing for the raffle prize**, an en plein air painting by Ontario artist
Alfred Villeneuve.

The EBSNS is excited to announce that our guest speaker is

Nova Scotia writer

Alexander MacLeod,

who will be reading from new work.



Alexander MacLeod is a writer and an associate professor of English literature at Saint Mary’s University in Halifax, Nova Scotia. His first collection of short stories, *Light Lifting* (Biblioasis), won an Atlantic Book Award and was a finalist for the Giller Prize, The Frank O’Connor International Short Story Award, The Commonwealth Writers’ Prize (Best First Book, Canada and the Caribbean) and the Thomas Head Raddall Fiction Award. The collection was also long-listed for the Andrew Carnegie Medal Award for Excellence in Fiction and was named a “Book of the Year” by the American Library Association, the *Globe and Mail*, Amazon.ca and *Quill and Quire*.

“MacLeod’s stories are shorn of sentimentality but drenched in an amorphous yearning, an omnipresent sense of loss and peril that seeps into even the happiest moments...*Light Lifting* is a brilliant collection without a weak link. Steeped in the guts and sadness of life, it provides moments of pure literary transcendence.” (*Quill & Quire*)

