

# Occasional Talk

The Centre of African Studies & University of Cambridge  
Eastern African Society present:

## Billy Kahora: In Conversation

Thursday 13 November 2014, 6-7pm  
Room S2, Alison Richards Building



**Billy Kahora** is one of Kenya's current leading writers. His short story, 'The Gorilla's Apprentice', which engages with Kenya's 2007 post-election violence, was shortlisted for the Caine Prize for African Writing in 2014. Billy was also a script-writer for the acclaimed film, *Nairobi Half Life* (2012). As Managing Editor of the *Kwani Trust* based in Nairobi, Billy is responsible for much of Kenya's recent literary output. Billy gave the plenary lecture at the African Studies Association UK's 2014 conference, and has been a frequent guest speaker at the Royal African Society's annual literary festival, *Africa Writes*.

The Centre of African Studies and the Eastern African Society are looking forward to welcoming Billy to Cambridge. The event will begin with a Q&A with Billy, led by Rachel Knighton, a PhD student in the Faculty of English. The audience will then have an opportunity to listen to Billy read from his work, followed by a chance for discussion.

**Karibuni!**