



## Thursday, February 21 at 7 pm



## Join Book Culture for an evening with *Moby-Dick* in NYC!

## D. Graham Burnett

talks about whales, whaling, and the history of science and reads from:

## Trying Leviathan:

The Nineteenth-Century New York Court Case That Put the Whale on Trial and Challenged the Order of Nature

"In taking *Maurice v. Judd* and fleshing out the details of the economics, natural history and politics of the day, Burnett offers a fascinating look into the early culture of science."

—The Seattle Times

"It would be hard to make this fascinating case a dull read. It's also hard to imagine how anyone could do a better job... an unexpected page turner." —Nature

D. Graham Burnett will be joined by John Fabian Witt, Professor of Law and History at Columbia University

The reading and conversation will be followed by a Q&A and book signing reception.

**D. Graham Burnett**, is associate professor of history at Princeton University, where he recently held the Christian Gauss Preceptorship and directed the Program in History of Science. He studied history and philosophy of science at Cambridge University on a Marshall Scholarship and was a member of Trinity College. He has taught at Yale and Columbia universities, and serves on the board of directors of the Vermillion Sea Foundation. His books include *Masters of All They Surveyed* and *A Trial By Jury*.