

PRESS RELEASE

EVENT: WILLIAM S. BURROUGHS AND JESSE BERNSTEIN READING.

DATE: SATURDAY, JULY 9, 8:00 PM SHARP.

PLACE: The MOORE THEATER, SECOND AND VIRGINIA ST.

ADMISSION: \$2. COCA MEMBERS, \$8. GENERAL PUBLIC. RESERVED

SEATING. TICKETS AVAILABLE AT COCA, 1309 1st AVE, AND FALLOUT RECORDS, 1506 E. OLIVE WAY, AND AT

THE THEATER THE DAY OF SHOW FOR \$9.

For Immediate Release:

The Center On Contemporary Art is WAY PROUD to present a rare live performance by the legendary William S. Burroughs! Also on the bill will be local novelist and performance artist Jesse Bernstein. The public should be encouraged to get tickets early in the event of a sellout.

William Burroughs was an original member of the "beat generation" whose work has influenced two generations of artists in all disciplines. He was recently described by Norman Mailer as "Perhaps the only living American novelist who may possibly be possessed of genious". Among his most famous works are "Junkie, Naked Lunch", and his most recent novel "Western Lands". This will mark Mr. Burroughs first performance ever in Seattle.

Opening the evening will be Jesse Bernstein, a legend in his own write. According to Regina Hackett, "The truth is, he's a great poet. Language moves for him" (Seattle P.I., June 17, 1988). True story.

We hope you can make it to this performance. It is sure to be a remarkable event. If you have any questions, feel free to call Larry Reid at COCA (206) 682-4568. Thanks.