Join us on **Wednesday, March 16**, for this special event!

**Noon-1pm:** Author talk

**1-2pm:** Networking lunch with author and colleagues

**UMHS Ford Auditorium** (University Hospital Floor 2)

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**Sam Quinones** is a Los Angeles-based freelance journalist and author of three books of narrative nonfiction. His latest book is *Dreamland: The True Tale of America’s Opiate Epidemic* (Bloomsbury, 2015), for which he traveled across the United States.

At this event, Quinones will discuss his experiences researching America’s opiate epidemic. His book, *Dreamland*, recounts twin stories of drug marketing in the 21st Century: A pharmaceutical corporation flogs its legal new opiate prescription painkiller as nonaddictive. Meanwhile, immigrants from a small town in Nayarit, Mexico, devise a method for retailing black-tar heroin like pizza in the U.S., and take that system nationwide, riding a wave of addiction to prescription pills from coast to coast. The collision of those two forces has led to America’s deadliest drug scourge in modern times.

*Dreamland* was also selected as one of the **best books of 2015** by Amazon.com, Slate.com, the Daily Beast, Buzzfeed, Seattle Times, Boston Globe, St. Louis Post-Dispatch, Entertainment Weekly, Wall Street Journal, and Bloomberg Business.

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