

CONCORDIA COLLEGE
AUTHOR-IN-RESIDENCE

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**READINGS AND
CONVERSATION**

7:30 p.m. Thursday, March 14
Centrum, Knutson Campus Center



Kristen Radtke



John Ydstie, host



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Welcome

Dr. Sonja Wentling, dean of the School of Arts and Sciences, professor of history

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Kristen Radtke – “Seek You: A Journey Through American Loneliness”

The will be an opportunity for audience questions following the conversation. Write your questions on the cards at your seats for the ushers to collect.

Reception and book signing to follow in the atrium, Knutson Campus Center



KRISTEN RADTKE

Kristen Radtke's most recent book is the widely acclaimed “Seek You: A Journey Through American Loneliness” (Pantheon, 2021), which The Los Angeles Times praised as “(A) resonant, haunting volume of graphic nonfiction written and drawn in the key of Edward Hopper.” It is the recipient of a 2019 Whiting Creative Nonfiction Grant and was on numerous most anticipated lists, including Vogue, The Washington Post, and NPR. Her first book is the genre-smashing graphic memoir “Imagine Wanting Only This” (Pantheon, 2017), a Barnes & Noble Discover Great New Writers Pick, a Junior Library Guild Selection, and a Nylon Most Anticipated Book.

Her work has appeared in The New York Times, The New York Times Magazine, Harper's, Marie Claire, The Atlantic, Elle, Vanity Fair, Vogue, and many other places.

Radtke received a Master of Fine Arts from the University of Iowa's Nonfiction Writing Program. She is the former managing editor of Sarabande Books and is currently the creative director of The Verge. She lives in Brooklyn, New York.

JOHN YDSTIE | Member of Concordia Board of Regents

Johon Ydstie earned a Bachelor of Arts degree from Concordia College in 1974 with a major in English literature and a minor in speech communications. He covered the economy, Wall Street, and the federal budget for NPR for two decades and was a regular guest host on the NPR news programs Morning Edition, All Things Considered, Weekend Edition, and Talk of the Nation. Ydstie retired in November 2019.