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Title

*Caring for Mortals – How Medicine Inflicts Suffering
on the Seriously Ill*

When

Monday, May 29, 2017
4:30 to 6:00 p.m.

Where

Moyse Hall Theatre
838 Sherbrooke Street West, Montréal, QC

Surgeon, writer and public health researcher, Dr. Atul Gawande practices general and endocrine surgery at Brigham and Women's Hospital in Boston, Massachusetts. He is Professor in the Department of Health Policy and Management at the Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health and the Samuel O. Thier Professor of Surgery at Harvard Medical School. Dr. Gawande is also Executive Director of Ariadne Labs and Chairman of Lifebox, organizations devoted to reducing suffering and saving lives through systems innovation for better health care worldwide.

A writer of exquisitely crafted meditations on the problems and challenges of modern medicine, Dr. Gawande has published four bestsellers: *Complications*, *Better*, *The Checklist Manifesto*, and *Being Mortal: Medicine and What Matters in the End*. Winner of two National Magazine Awards, Dr. Gawande is a MacArthur Fellow, as well as the winner of the Lewis Thomas Award for scientific writing.

Atul Gawande believes that society must take a step back and look at new ways to practice medicine — with fewer cowboys and more pit crews: “Our medical systems are broken. Doctors are capable of extraordinary (and expensive) treatments, but we are losing our core focus: actually caring for people.”