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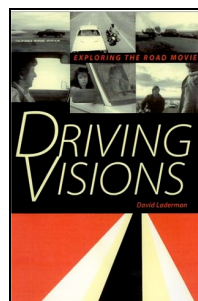
**11:00 am: Wonder Boys** starring Michael Douglas, Tobey Maguire and Robert Downey Jr. The film is based on Michael Chabon's 1995 novel.

Grady Tripp, played by Michael Douglas, is a frustrated college English professor who is struggling to produce a follow-up to his successful first novel while faced with writer's block, a marijuana habit, and the hounding presence of his twisted book editor (Robert Downey Jr.). Over a wild weekend he also tries to cope with a young coed's crush on him, the pregnancy of his married girlfriend (Frances McDormand - whose husband is his boss) along with the tribulations of a talented, eccentric, and suicidal film geek who is one of his students (Tobey McGuire).

**1:00 pm:** CSM Professor of film and book author David Laderman will lead a discussion about the film. Students in Laderman's Humanities 114: "Film and Literature as Communication in the Modern Era" class have been reading Chabon's novel **Wonder Boys** this semester.

David Laderman has published several articles about film and is the author of two books about movies: Punk Slash! Musicals: Tracking Slip-Sync Film and Driving Visions: Exploring the Road Movie which will be available for purchase.

**2:00 pm:** After the film discussion Mr. Laderman will be available in the theatre lobby to further discuss the film and to discuss and sign his books.



**Books By David Laderman**

Novelist, screenwriter, and essayist Michael Chabon will be speaking at the CSM Theatre at 12:10 pm, on Thursday, Oct. 7<sup>th</sup>, as part of the President's Lecture Series. This event is also free and open to the public.