Throughout her life, writer Octavia Butler leveraged the power of fiction to reshape our sense of what is possible. This spring, the SLC Discovery and Language Exchange Programs invite you to join Butler’s legacy of radical imagination. We seek bold works of fiction longing to be real—creative writing that speaks into existence the new suns under which all human beings might better thrive. What is it like to live under your sun? What phenomena, technologies, risks, or revolutions conspired to make this living possible? What work, if any, is left to be done?

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There is nothing new under the sun but there are new suns.
- Octavia Butler