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This month, winners of the Singapore Literature Prize 2006 - Cyril Wong and Yong Shu Hoong will share with us their collection of thought provoking and inspiring poetry.

Cyril Wong, author of *Unmarked Treasure* will share about turning something private into something universal in poetry, as well as the possibilities of extended verse narratives.





From First World to Third: Reading selected poems from his three collections, Yong Shu Hoong reflects on how he first got published and charts his transitions from his first book, Isaac, through to the latest, Frottage.



Guest: CYRIL WONG - Winner of the National Arts Council's Young Artist Award for Literature in 2005 and the Singapore Literature Prize in 2006, Cyril Wong is the author of six books of poetry, including *Like A Seed With Its Singular Purpose*. He has been a featured poet at the Edinburgh International Book Festival (2003), the Hong Kong International Literary Festival (2004), the Singapore Writers' Festival (2004) and the Sydney Writers' Festival (2007).



Guest: YONG SHU HOONG - Born in 1966 in Singapore, Shu Hoong holds a Computer Science degree from the National University of Singapore and an MBA from Texas A&M University at College Station. His published collections of poetry include *Isaac* (1997), *dowhile* (2002) and *Frottage* (2005), which won the Singapore Literature Prize in 2006.



Facilitator: AARON LEE - Aaron Lee is a prize-winning poet and writing mentor. He is also the co-editor of the anthologies No Other City and Love Gathers All. His work has appeared in many publications in Singapore and elsewhere. His new collection of poetry Five Right Angles was released in June.



Speaker: DR. GWEE LI SUI - Gwee Li Sui is an Assistant Professor in the Department of English Language and Literature at the National University of Singapore. He researches on eighteenth-century literature and knowledge but also writes frequently on modern Singaporean literature. He is a poet and visual artist too and has published a graphic novel *Myth of the Stone* (1993) and a collection of poems *Who Wants to Buy a Book of Poems?* (1998).

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