

A. Eligibility

- A. The competition is open to all works of poetry that have been published in a journal or publication that is either (i) founded / edited by a Southeast Asian, or (ii) printed / managed by a Southeast Asian publisher.
- B. We define all journals and publications to include any periodical, online or in print, whose aim or mission includes publishing poetry.
- C. We define “founded or edited by a Southeast Asian” to mean that a Southeast Asian is either listed as an editor or founder on the masthead or main credits of the journal or publication at the time of submission. Guest editors do not count towards eligibility.
- D. We define “Southeast Asia” to include Brunei, Cambodia, Indonesia, Laos, Malaysia, Myanmar, Papua New Guinea, the Philippines, Singapore, Timor Leste, Thailand, and Vietnam.
- E. Authors must be living at the date of nomination. In the case of authors deceased within the window of submissions (1 Oct 2017 to 25 Jan 2018), the prize money goes to the rights holder of the piece of work submitted.

B. Category

- A. The award is for any literary poetic work published in a Southeast Asian journal or publication between 1 January 2017 and 31 December 2017. For definitions of what constitutes a “Southeast Asian journal or publication”, read **A. Eligibility**.
- B. Unlike the journal / publication, the author / translator of the poetic work submitted to the Hawker Prize does not need to be Southeast Asian.

C. Subject and Theme

- A. Entries may be on any subject or theme.
- B. For the purpose of the award, we define poetry broadly to mean a form of literature that uses either language or the presentation of language in a manner that adds meaning that is otherwise absent or negligibly discernible in its prosaic form.

D. Language

- A. Poems submitted must originally be written in English, or have been translated to English at the point of publication.
- B. We also accept submissions accompanied by English translations.

E. Originality

- A. Each poem must be an original work written by the author.
- B. Each translation of poem must be an original work provided by the translator.

F. Number of Entries

- A. An entrant may submit more than one (1) poem, but no more than six (6).
- B. Each poem submitted must be different, and not variations of the same poem.

G. Submission Guidelines

- A. Only elected representatives of the journal / publication may submit / nominate a poem. The author / translator him- or herself may not do so.
- B. All entries are to be submitted online at: singlitstation.submittable.com/submit
- C. There will be two (2) submission categories: Category 1 is for submissions of 1 to 3 poems, while Category 2 is for submissions of 4 to 6 poems.
- D. No fees apply for submissions of up to 3 poems. Entrants submitting between 4 to 6 poems will be charged a submission fee of \$20 USD:

Category 1 (Submissions of 1–3 poems)	Free
Category 2 (Submissions of 4–6 poems)	\$20 USD

- E. We accept works in .doc, .docx, .pdf and .rtf formats. All poems considered for the Prize are to be compiled in a single file.
- F. The organisers shall not be held responsible for any submissions that have been uploaded in the wrong format.
- G. Entrants caught evading or attempting to evade the submission fee will be subject to disqualification. For example, if an entrant uploads a file containing 4-6 poems under Category 1 instead of Category 2, or if an entrant uploaded a file of 1–3 poems twice under Category 1 to avoid paying the administrative fee under Category 2, the entrant will be disqualified. No refund will be given.
- H. Editors who wish to simply nominate poems on their online journals may fill in the electronic form found on singlitstation.com/hawkerprize. More details will be found there.

H. Selection

- A. There will be a panel of three (3) judges for the Competition. Honourable mentions might be listed, at the sole discretion of the judging panel.
- B. The decision of the judges is final and binding. No discussion in relation to the judges' decision will be entertained.

I. Closing Date

- A. The closing date of the Competition is 25 January 2018. Any submissions made after this date will not be entertained.

J. The Award

A. The awards for the Hawker Prize for Southeast Asian Poetry are as follows:

1st Place	\$1500
2nd Place	\$700
3rd Place	\$300
Honourable Mention(s)	No cash awarded

B. In the event a winning work is a translation of a poem, the cash prize will be split 50/50 between the poet and the translator.

C. All winners are also free, at their own discretion and after the issuing of the cash prize, to apportion a percentage of their prize winnings to the journals / publications that nominated them for the Hawker Prize. Sing Lit Station will not interfere with this process.

K. Announcement of Winners

A. The winners will be announced within the month of March 2018 on our website. We will contact the three winners via email prior to the announcement to obtain further information.

L. Important Dates to Note:

1 October 2017	Submissions open
25 January 2018	Submissions close
February 2018	Judges deliberate
March 2018	Winners announced