ANUGERAH PERSURATAN 2017: FACT SHEET

1. About Anugerah Persuratan (Malay Literary Award) 2017

The Malay Language Council Singapore (MLCS) is the presenter of the 2017 Anugerah Persuratan. MLCS has been organising the Anugerah Persuratan since 1993 as a biennial event and is part of the council's effort to recognise Malay language writers. This year there is a total of 19 award recipients. (Please refer to Annex A for the full list of award recipients).

2. Objectives of Anugerah Persuratan

- I. To recognise writers that have produced high quality literary works;
- II. To develop and encourage writers to produce works in Malay language;
- III. To encourage publication of good literary merit; and
- IV. Promote Malay literature and writing in the community.

1. Awards presented during Anugerah Persuratan

I. Tun Seri Lanang Award

The Tun Seri Lanang Award is presented to an established writer in the Malay Language scene for their contribution to the literary arts. It is the pinnacle award in this event in recognition of their achievements and contributions. The recipient will receive \$5,000 cash and a \$5,000 research grant.

II. Anumerta Tun Seri Lanang Award (Posthumous)

Anumerta Tun Seri Lanang is given to an arts practitioner who has passed away in recognition of their contribution to the arts scene. The family of the posthumous recipient will receive \$2,000.

III. Anugerah Harapan (Promising Award)

This award is given to writers aged below 40 who have shown prominent potential in the literary arena with significant artistic achievement and contribution. It encourages young practitioners to continue pursuing excellence in the arts, and to look towards inspiring others. The recipient of the award will receive \$3,000.

IV. Literary Prizes

The literary prizes are awarded to writers in different genres such as novel, short story and poetry in recognition of their literary excellence for a piece of work or publication.

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ANNEX A

LIST OF RECIPIENTS FOR ANUGERAH PERSURATAN 2017

AWARD	RECIPIENT
TUN SERI LANANG AWARD	RASIAH HALIL
ANUGERAH HARAPAN (PROMISING AWARD)	MOHAMMAD FARIHAN BIN BAHRON
ANUMERTA TUN SERI LANANG AWARD (POSTHUMOUS)	THE LATE MOHAMED NAIM DAIPI (Receiving on behalf: Ms Nur Atika Mohamed Naim – Daughter)

GENRE	RECIPIENT(S)
Literary Essay / Critiques	Single Work (Each winner to receive \$1,000) 1. "Karya Sastera Penulis Singapura Tidak Layak ke TV?" by Jamal Ismail
	Book (Each winner to receive \$3,500) 1. "Di Sebalik Tabir Masuri S.N." by Mohamed Pitchay Gani Bin Mohamed Abdul Aziz dan Azhar Ibrahim Alwee
Non-Literary Essay / Critiques	Single Work (Each winner to receive \$1,000) 1. "Membudayakan Penjodoh Bilangan" by Othman Bin Salam 2. "Citra Singapura dalam Lagu" by Yazid Hussein
	Book – No winner
	Merit prize (Each winner to receive \$1,000) 1. "100 Soal Jawab Agama: Isu-isu Kontemporari & Pendekatan Wasatiy" by Mustazah Bahari dan Muhammad Haniff Hassan

Poetry	Single Work (Each winner to receive \$1,000) 1. "Sepi Nostalgia Keretapi Tanah Melayu Stesen Tanjung Pagar" by Faridah Taib 2. "Di Bawah Sifar" by Rafaat Haji Hamzah 3. "Bhai" by Rahmad Bin Sidek Book (Each winner to receive \$3,500) 1. "Antologi Puisi: Tafsiran Tiga Alam" by Hamed Ismail, Hartinah Ahmad dan Samsudin Said
Drama	Single Work (Each winner to receive \$1,000) 1. TV – "Bunga Tanjong" by Hamed Ismail 2. Stage/Theatre – "The (Assumed) Vicious Cycle of A (Melayu) Youth" by Anwar Hadi Bin Ramli Book (Each winner to receive \$3,500) 1. "Chantek" by Aidli Mohamed Salleh, Mosbit
Short Stories	Single Work – No winner Book – No winner Merit prize (Each winner to receive \$500) 1. "Pemburu Barakah" by Jamal Ismail 2. "Nyaropot" by Amanah Mustafi
Novel	No winner
Children's Literature	Book (Co-winners – \$3,500 to be shared) 1. "Anak Ayam Bermain Dalam Hujan" by Amanah Mustafi 2. "Payung Datuk Adil" by Rilla Melati Bahri