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Anugerah Persuratan 2023 Committee

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Anugerah Persuratan 2023 (Malay Literary Award 2023)

Frequently Asked Questions

About Anugerah Persuratan

The Malay Language Council (MBMS) 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. Other than recognition of works, the event also aims to develop and encourage writers to produce works in Malay language, encourage publication of high quality works and promote Malay literary in the community.

Call for Submission of Entries

1) Who is eligible to submit works for Anugerah Persuratan 2023 (AP2023)?

The call for submission for AP2023 is open to all Singapore citizens and permanent residents (PRs). The submission can be done by the publishers on behalf of their writers.

2) What are the genre categories for the Literary Awards?

There are six categories namely Short Story, Literary Essays, Novel, Poetry, Children's Literature and Theatre (for Stage). All works submitted must be in the form of a publication or published book, and have its own ISBN number.

3) Which year of publications are eligible?

The works must be published in 2020, 2021 or 2022, either in Singapore or abroad in a physical book format. It should also have its own ISBN number to ensure its eligibility.

4) Can I submit a work that I have translated into Malay?

Works submitted for AP2023 should originally be written in Malay only.

5) How can I submit my work online?

All entries must be submitted via the online submission form [here](#). Please read through and ensure that you have understood the rules and regulations of AP2023 to avoid incomplete and/or ineligible submissions.



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6) What is the maximum file size that can be uploaded when filling up the online submission form?

Each file that is uploaded should not exceed 1GB.

7) I have tried to upload a softcopy of my work that I wish to submit for AP2023 but was not successful. What can I do?

All submissions must be done via the online submission form [here](#). If you experience any issues uploading the softcopy of your work when filling up the form, please email Celine (celine@bookcouncil.sg) or Alya (programmes7@bookcouncil.sg).

8) I do not have a softcopy of my work that I wish to submit for AP2023. What can I do?

You will still be required to fill up the online submission form [here](#). Please print out the confirmation email that is sent to you after successfully filling up the form. You can subsequently make arrangements with the Secretariat to drop off your books in-person at the Singapore Book Council's office, at the following address:

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For each submission, the organisers will require three (3) copies of the book, along with the confirmation email. In-person submission will be done from 10 April to 10 May 2023, Mondays to Fridays during office hours (10am – 6pm).

9) When is the closing date for the call for submissions?

All submissions of works (online and in-person) should be done latest by Wednesday, 10 May 2023, 6pm. Late submissions will not be accepted.

10) Can I submit more than one work for AP2023?

Writers/Publishers can submit more than one work for AP2023, as long as the works are published in 2020, 2021 or 2022. It should also have its own ISBN number to ensure its eligibility.



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11) My short story was published in the Malay newspaper, *Berita Minggu*. Is my published short story eligible for AP2023?

Single works will not be accepted and assessed for AP2023.

12) I am a self-published writer and have co-written a book with two other writers. Can we submit our book for AP2023?

Anthologies can be submitted for AP2023 as long as all contributing writers are Singapore citizens and/or PRs.

13) My book has not been published but my publisher has made plans to print it soon. Can I submit my manuscript now and the published book at a later date?

No. The organisers will only accept works that have been published in 2020, 2021 or 2022, and have their own ISBN number to ensure their eligibility.

14) How is the adjudication process done?

Each category will be assessed by a panel of 2 judges. The judge's decision is final and binding. No correspondence in relation to the judges' decision will be entertained.

15) I have a question that is not answerable by any of the FAQs here. What can I do?

For more information or any further enquiries, please email Celine (celine@bookcouncil.sg) or Alya (programmes7@bookcouncil.sg). You can also contact Celine at 63425125.