

MALAY LANGUAGE COUNCIL, SINGAPORE
(Majlis Bahasa Melayu Singapura)

MALAY LITERARY AWARD 2011
Press Release

Malay Literary Award

1. Malay Language Council Singapore (MLCS) is organising the Malay Literary Award 2011. The award is part of the council's effort to recognise Malay language writers. MLCS has been organising the Literary Award since 1993 as a biennial event. For this year, the Malay Literary Award 2011 will also mark the end of the Malay Language Month.

Objectives of Malay Literary Award

2. The objectives of the Award are:
- i. To recognise writers that have produce high quality works;
 - ii. To develop and encourage writers to produce works in Malay language;
 - iii. To encourage publication of high quality works; and
 - iv. Promote Malay Literary in the community.

Malay Literary Award 2011 Presentation Ceremony

3. The Malay Literary Award 2011 Presentation Ceremony will be held in July 2011. The details are:

Date : Saturday, 30 July 2011

Venue: Shangri-la Hotel

Time : 3.00pm

Guest-of-Honour: Dr Yaacob Ibrahim

Minister for Information, Communications and the Arts
And Minister -in-charge of Muslim Affairs

Malay Literary Award Organising Committee

4. The Malay Literary Award Organising Committee is chaired by Mr Masagos Zulkifli Masagos Mohd, Minister of State, Ministry of Home Affairs and Ministry of Foreign Affairs. The list of members is in [Annex A](#).

Awards

5. During the presentation ceremony, 4 types of award will be presented:
- 5.1 Literary Award
 - 5.2 Tun Seri Lanang Award
 - 5.3 Promising Award
 - 5.4 Special Award

5.1.1 Literary Award Genre

Genre	Stand alone	Book
Poetry	3 award (@\$1000)	1 award (\$3,000)
Short stories	3 award (@\$1000)	1 award (\$3,000)
Drama	3 award (@\$1000)	1 award (\$3,000)
Literature Essay /critiques	3 award (@\$1000)	1 award (\$3,000)
Non-literature Essay/critiques	3 award (@\$1000)	1 award (\$3,000)
Novel	-	1 award (\$3,000)
Literature Study	-	1 award (\$3,000)
Non-Literature Study	-	1 award (\$3,000)

5.5 Tun Seri Lanang Award

Tun Sri Lanang Award recipient will receive \$5,000 and a \$5,000 grant for anyone who is interested to conduct a study on the works or the recipient of the award.

5.6 Promising Award

This award worth \$3,000 is given to writers aged below 40 who show prominent potential in the literary arena.

5.7 Special Award

This year, the Malay Literary Award 2011 (MLA 2011) will be giving out a special award to recognise the contributions of a literary figure in language and literature. The recipient will receive \$2,000.