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# Romancing Singapore: From Tropic to Global

by Ms Shirley Geok-Lin Lim (2-Day Workshop)

## OBJECTIVE

This introductory workshop will focus on Singapore through poems, stories, novels, and plays as a tropical island, exotic locale, romantic East, social struggle, dystopic settlement, as city, home and globe. It offers theoretical frames through which to hear these multiple voices and provide discussion and creative occasions for participants to interact with each other and with the instructor.

## COURSE OUTLINE

The course will begin with some pre-colonial, non-Anglophone writing and translations, and move on to cover poetry, fictions and dramas through a chronological sequence, from colonial to Malayan eras and concluding with post-1965 and contemporary Singapore writing.

## TARGET AUDIENCE

Writers, editors, publishers, literature students, teachers and educators

## DATE and TIME

16 – 17 August 2006 (Wednesday – Thursday), 9am – 5pm

## VENUE

The Cube, Singapore Arts Museum, Bras Basah Road

## WORKSHOP LEADER

**Shirley Geok-lin Lim** was born in Malacca and moved to the U.S in 1969. She is a distinguished teacher and writer whose works have appeared in journals such as *New Literary History*, *Feminist Studies*, *Signs*, *MELUS*, *ARIEL*, *New Literatures Review*, *World Englishes*, and *American Studies International*. She was featured as a PBS special on American poetry, "Fooling with Words" in 1999, and again on the program "Now" in February 2002. She is also the author of *"Among the White Moon Faces"* (1996), which received the 1997 American Book Award for non-fiction. She is currently professor of English at the University of California, Santa Barbara.

## COURSE FEE

S\$350.00 per person,

**S\$300.00 for Early Bird registration and payment by 10 August 2006**

Payment is to be made in Singapore Dollars, by cheque or bank draft, payable to "NBDCS". Fees paid are non-refundable but transferable. Requests for substitution must be made a week before the course commences.

## REGISTRATION and FURTHER DETAILS

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