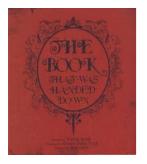


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Hedwig Anuar Children's Book Award 2011: Winners

The winners of the **Hedwig Anuar Children's Book Award 2011** were announced during the Awards Presentation Ceremony on **27 May 2011**.

Hedwig Anuar Children's Book Award 2011 Winners



The Book That Was Handed Down (Picture Book) Written by Yixian Quek Illustrated by Grace Duan Ying

The prize money is worth \$10,000, and is to be shared by the writer and the illustrator.

The awards were presented by H.E. Dr. Jose Ramos-Horta, Nobel Peace Prize Winner and Author of *The Lost World of Timor-Leste*, President of the Democratic Republic of Timor-Leste.

The Hedwig Anuar Children's Book Award is presented biennially for an outstanding book for children written by a Singaporean or PR.

The award main objectives are:

- i. To encourage the quality and quantity of books published for children; and
- ii. To promote the publication of books, set in a familiar and meaningful background that is relevant to the Singapore children.

Judging Committee

Chairman: Dr. Ken Spillman, Australia Dr. Noel Chia Kok Hwee, Singapore Ms. Sayoni Basu, India Mr. Yusof Gajah, Malaysia Ms. Zubaidah Mohsen, Singapore

About Mrs Hedwig Anuar

Mrs Hedwig Anuar was the first Singaporean Director of the National Library of Singapore, a position she held from 1960 until her retirement in 1988. Though she put in place the foundations of the modern library system in Singapore and made contributions to all aspects of library work, this award recognises her outstanding contribution to children's librarianship and the promotion of books and reading for children.

About the NBDCS:

National Book Development Council of Singapore (NBDCS) is a non-profit umbrella body inaugurated in 1969 to promote literary arts and publishing through a variety of interesting and innovative programmes. Its current objective is to establish and develop Singapore as the Asian centre for publishing and the literary arts.

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