

HAB congratulates Hong Kong poet on competition success

The Home Affairs Bureau has congratulated Hong Kong poet Arthur Leung on his third prize in the Edwin Morgan International Poetry Competition 2008 among competitors from around the world. The award not only represents success for a Hong Kong Chinese poet writing in English in international literary circles, but also showcases to the world the cluster of top talent in the cosmopolitan world city of Hong Kong.

The first Edwin Morgan International Poetry Competition in 2008 is named in honour of Scotland's first national poet. It was presented by the Glasgow Poetry Society Vital Synz in association with the University of Strathclyde and the Edinburgh International Book Festival.

Mr Leung, born and raised in Hong Kong, received degrees from the Universities of Hong Kong and Cambridge. He is a regular performer of his poetry and has poems published in anthologies such as Hong Kong U Writing and Fifty-fifty (Hong Kong) as well as in numerous other magazines and journals. He has taken part in a number of international poetry competitions and made his way through to be among the finalists.

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