

**INVITATION TO
THE PROVERSE AUTUMN RECEPTION 2021**
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**Proverse Hong Kong, Publishers;
Administrators of the International Proverse Prize for unpublished (book-length) fiction, non-fiction or poetry
and the International Proverse Poetry Prize (single poems).**

**You are cordially invited to
The Proverse Autumn Reception,
At The Helena May Institute, 35 Garden Road, Hong Kong,
On Thursday, 18 November, from 7.00-9.00pm.**

SCHEDULED TO BE LAUNCHED

Liam Blackford, *A Gateway Has Opened* (poetry collection);
Paola Caronni, *Uncharted Waters* (poetry collection);
Marta Markoska, *Black Holes Within Us* (poetry collection);
Vishal Nanda, *Please Stand Back From The Platform Door* (poetry collection);
George Watt, *The Finley Confession* (novel)
Penelope Pelham West (Editor), *London Letters Home (1861-1865) of an American Apprentice
Preparing for the Far East Tea Trade, Gus Farley Jr. (1844-1899)* (letters, history)
Relaunching José Manuel Sevilla, *The Year of the Apparitions* (poetry collection)
**Launching and Relaunching Authors present (including remotely)
will give brief Introductions to their work.**

**Dr Verner Bickley, MBE
Co-Founder of The International Proverse Prizes
WILL ANNOUNCE THE WINNERS OF THE PROVERSE PRIZE 2020,
THE WINNERS OF THE 2021 PROVERSE POETRY PRIZE,
and THE SEMI-FINALISTS FOR THE PROVERSE PRIZE 2021.**

Fee: HKD250. Complimentary Canapés. Cash bar.

Dress code: smart casual (no denim, shorts, short sleeves, sneakers)

Early registration essential. (The number of places available depends on the vaccination status of the group of attendees as a whole.)

Please complete the separate Reply Form (attached)

and send it with (evidence of) your payment as indicated in the Reply Form

Updated Covid-19 protocols to be followed will be advised to all registrants shortly before the event.

You are requested to order books in advance, should you wish to purchase any.

Enquiries: info@proversepublishing.com, subject line "Proverse Autumn Reception 2021" OR ring 2259-3456.



Sequence of events (w. approx times).

7.00pm-7.30pm: Complimentary Canapés and Cash Bar served to your table

7.30pm: Welcome from Proverse Co-Publisher Gillian Bickley.

Verner Bickley, Proverse Prizes Co-Founder, announces the Proverse Prize 2020 Winner(s), the Proverse Poetry Prize 2021 Winners and the semi-finalists for the Proverse Prize 2021.

7.40pm: Introduction of Proverse Authors with brief talks and readings.

8.05-8.50pm: Complimentary Canapés & Cash Bar served to your table resume. **9.00pm sharp: evening ends.**

HOW TO REACH THE HELENA MAY (the heritage building on Garden Road, just up from St John's Building and the Peak Tram Station, and opposite the American Consulate). Please NB vehicles cannot stop outside the HM. Take a taxi to the St John's Building and walk up, or to St Joseph's Church and walk down. Buses stop at St John's Cathedral, Garden Road or outside Hong Kong Park on Cotton Tree Drive (then walk under the road through the underpass to the Peak Tram). Or, exit MTR Central Station and walk up the hill. You can also exit at Admiralty MTR and walk along various overhead walkways (allow 20 minutes for this method). *Sketch-map courtesy Errol Patrick Hugh, Author of "A Personal Journey through Sketching", Proverse, November 2009.*