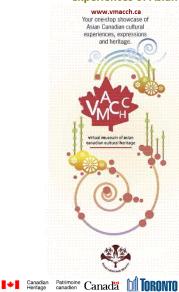
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... showcasing cultural expressions and experiences of Asian Canadians



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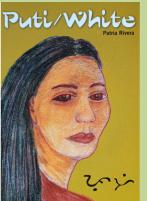
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## Launch of Asian Heritage Virtual Series at **Toronto Public Library**

Asian Heritage: Art and Haiku In the Time of COVID





OPENING REMARKS: Mr. Justin Poy, Honorary Patron, Asian Heritage Month-CFACI; Professor Leslie Sanders, University Professor, York University & Colead of project

DESCRIPTION: Poet Patria Rivera and artist Joe Rivera share their art through poetry and paintings. Patria Rivera will read from haiku written before the Covid-19 pandemic and revised during the months of lockdown, while Joe Rivera will share the artwork he has painted to counter months of self-quarantine. Their hope is that transcendent sketching from life can bring heightened awareness or capture the sublime even in uncertain times.

As Patria Rivera notes: "The haiku in this collection aim to bring old forms with new aesthetics, to limn from ordinary life moments that pierce and captivate, that probe and question the self against forces—living and nonliving, both visible and invisible—that surround us."

WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 2, 2020, 7 pm

**FREE ADMISSION: Please register at** https://www.crowdcast.io/e/tplrivera/register