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The Child Poet

by Homero Aridjis, tr. Chloe Aridjis

with guests

HOMERO ARIDJIS

(author)

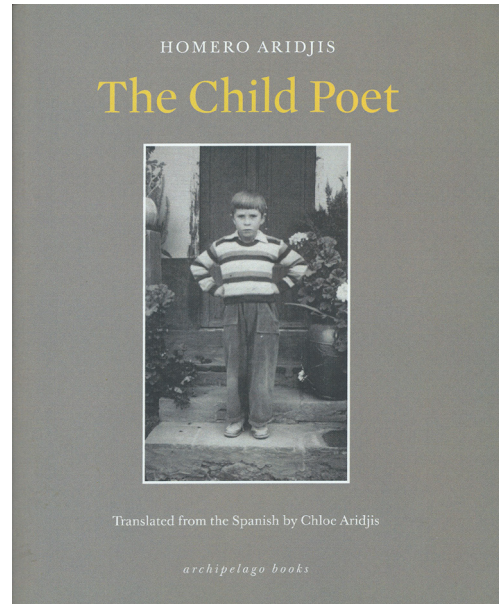
CHLOE ARIDJIS

(translator)

and

DANIEL HAHN

(moderator)



THURSDAY 17 MARCH 2016 | Doors open, wine and Mexican food from 6.00 pm | FREE ADMISSION

The launch of the latest publication of the Swedenborg Society's President, Homero Aridjis. *The Child Poet* is translated by Chloe Aridjis and the event is organized in conjunction with Archipelago Books and the Embassy of Mexico. Award-winning author and translator Daniel Hahn will moderate.

THE CHILD POET is an evocative memoir of a child's dreams, in a stunning translation by the author's daughter. A celebration of the poet's life before 1951. Imminent fatherhood helped revive memories that had, for two decades, lain dormant. This work, narrated in a succession of interconnected vignettes, provides a portrait of Homero Aridjis in his pre-poet years. A child at a time when sights and sensations were still delivered at their purest, when each day brought new perceptions of his mother and his father, when every villager in Contepec formed part of a personal mythology. It was a time when shadows were palpable and light had a sound of its own.

HOMERO ARIDJIS, President of the Swedenborg Society, is the author of over 40 works and is widely regarded as Mexico's greatest living poet. He has twice served as President of PEN International, and is a former Mexican ambassador to UNESCO.

CHLOE ARIDJIS is a London-based Mexican novelist and writer. Her 2009 novel *Book of Clouds* was published in eight countries, and won the French Prix du Premier Roman Étranger. Chloe was awarded a Guggenheim Fellowship in 2014.

DANIEL HAHN is a writer, editor and translator who is currently chair of the Society of Authors. He has formerly been chair of the Translators Association and national programme director of the British Centre for Literary Translation.

- **TIME:** 6.00 - 9.00 pm
- **DATE:** 17/03/2016
- **ADMISSION:** Free
(but book in advance)
- **VENUE:**
Swedenborg Hall
20/21 Bloomsbury Way
London WC1A 2TH
- **NEAREST TUBE:**
Holborn /
Tottenham Court Road
- **TICKETS:**
www.swedenborg.org.uk
<https://thechildpoet.eventbrite.co.uk>

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