

REGISTER FOR

# POETRY SOIRÉE

WEDNESDAY 22ND SEPTEMBER, 6PM  
NSW PARLIAMENT HOUSE

## HOSTED BY

The Honorable Virginia Judge  
Minister for Fair Trading  
and Minister for the Arts

## EMCEED BY

Johanna Featherstone, Artistic Director  
The Red Room Company

## WHAT

Poets, pollies & the public at the 2010  
NSW Parliament Poetry Soirée

TO REGISTER TO

**READ**  
*OR*  
**ATTEND**

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*OR* phone 02 9228 4285

THE HONORABLE  
VIRGINIA JUDGE, IN  
PARTNERSHIP WITH  
'THE RED ROOM  
COMPANY' AND 'THE  
WEEK' INVITE YOU  
TO THE SECOND  
NSW PARLIAMENT  
POETRY SOIRÉE.

Guest poets Robert  
Adamson and Ivy Ireland  
will read their work,  
followed by poetry-loving  
pollyies and poets from the  
body-politic reading their  
favourite poems, or some  
of their own compositions.

Last year's event was great  
fun and we invite you to  
attend this year's Soirée and  
read a favourite poem, or  
one of your own.

**MORE DETAILS**

[redroomcompany.org](http://redroomcompany.org)



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# POET

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## BIOS

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**ROBERT ADAMSON** has published twenty volumes of poetry in Australia, the UK and the USA. His most recent collection is 'The Golden Bird', and his previous volume of poems, 'The Goldfinches of Baghdad', won the 'Age' Book of the Year Award for poetry and the Grace Leven Prize for Poetry and was short-listed for the New South Wales and Queensland premiers' literary awards and the State Library of NSW Biography Award. In 2009, Robert edited *Best Australian Poems*. In 1995 he received the Christopher Brennan Award for lifetime achievement in poetry.

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## LOCATION

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Parliament of NSW  
Macquarie Street, Sydney

The NSW Parliament building is located in Macquarie Street, closer to Hyde Park than Circular Quay.

For more information on public transport call 131 500 or visit [131500.com.au](http://131500.com.au).

*Bicycles or feet are cheapest and best for our environment.*

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**IVY IRELAND**, a 29 year-old casual lecturer and PhD candidate at the University of Newcastle, and sometime magician's assistant, was one of the Poets Union Australian Young Poets Fellows in 2007. The fellowship culminated in the launch of her first book *incidental complications*. Ivy has a penchant for mysticism, cosmology, harping and sideshow performance and has performed at various events including 'This Is Not Art', 'Big Day Out', 'Canberra Folk Festival' and 'The Peats Ridge Festival'.

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# RED ROOM COMPANY

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Poetry is alchemy; it transforms us. The Red Room Company seeks to reconnect groups and individuals to the play and rhythm of language, creating projects that explore dimensions of the articulated self, the material world and the written word. We aim to reawaken imaginations, inviting established and emerging poets as well as new audiences to collaborate with us on this adventure. *Thanks also to The NSW Writers' Center and The Poets Union for their support.*