

PEN World Voices Festival of International Literature New York City, April 26-May 2, 2010

A week-long celebration of books and writing from around the globe, featuring 50+ events, 150 writers, and 40 countries. Don't miss this exciting cross-cultural literary exchange including conversations, panel discussions, readings, a translation slam, and an all-star Cabaret. [Check out our complete schedule of events.](#)

EVENTS FEATURING PORTUGUESE WRITER VALTER HUGO MAE:

FRIDAY, APRIL 30

6:30 p.m. The Big Poetry Reading

Participants: Naja Marie Aidt, Barry Gifford, valter hugo mae, and Pavel Nastin.

Bowery Poetry Club, 308 Bowery Street

Tickets: \$10/\$5 PEN Members at the door

Come on a journey celebrating acclaimed poets from Denmark, the U.S., Portugal, and Russia. Sharing their work on stage tonight are Nordic poet, short-story, and recent screenplay writer Naja Marie Aidt, American author, screenwriter, and poet Barry Gifford, valter hugo mae from Portugal, and Russian photographer, curator, and poet Pavel Nastin. >>[More Information](#)

THURSDAY, APRIL 29

9:30 p.m. Face-to-Face: Confronting the Torturers A PEN Freedom to Write Event

Participants: Alina Bronsky, Rodrigo Fresán, Mohsin Hamid, Aleksandar Hemon, Randa Jarrar, Irakli Kakabadze, Elias Khoury, valter hugo mae, Sofi Oksanen, Peter Schneider, and special guests.

Joe's Pub 425 Lafayette Street, Tickets: \$15/\$10 PEN & ACLU Members. www.joespub.com or 212.967.7555

As the evidence around the globe mounts that the United States tortured hundreds of captives in the "War on Terror," people of conscience everywhere are watching to see if those who ordered and carried out the abuse will be held accountable. Join us for an evening of readings from documentary and imaginative literature from around the world, in which people have stood face-to-face with their torturers. >>[More Information](#)

Co-sponsored by the American Civil Liberties Union and Joe's Pub

SATURDAY, MAY 1

1 p.m. New European Fiction

Participants: Naja Marie Aidt, Aleksandar Hemon, valter hugo mae, Colum McCann, and Jean-Philippe Toussaint

Le Poisson Rouge, 158 Bleecker Street

Tickets: \$10/\$8 PEN Members, <http://lepoissonrouge.com> or 212.505.3474

Continuing their recent conversation in the pages of *The Believer*, Best European Fiction series editor Aleksandar Hemon will speak with Colum McCann. Then, three contributors to the inaugural volume, from Belgium, Portugal, and Denmark, will read from their work and discuss with Hemon exciting things happening right now in the literature of their countries. >>[More Information](#)

Food and drink are available at this event.

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