

The South Orange Department of Recreation and Cultural Affairs
& Watershed Literary Events present



a virtual reading with poets

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Cynthia Dewi Oka & Jane Wong

Sun, March 13, 2 pm

Zoom link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85329267522>



Cynthia Dewi Oka's books include *Fire Is Not a Country* (2021) and *Nomad of Salt and Hard Water* (2016). Her poetry has appeared in *The Atlantic*, *Poetry*, The Academy of American Poets Poem-a-Day series, *The Rumpus*, *PANK*, *Guernica*, and elsewhere. Born in Bali, Indonesia, Oka immigrated to Vancouver at the age of 10. Her writing is informed by the complexities of her heritage and her work as an organizer for social justice. She teaches creative writing at Bryn Mawr College and lives in Collingswood, NJ.

Jane Wong's latest poetry collection is *How to Not Be Afraid of Everything* (2021). She grew up in a Chinese American restaurant at the Jersey Shore. Much of her work reclaims "ghosts" of her cultural past that invoke hunger, gluttony, and food waste. Wong's poetry can be found in *Best American Nonrequired Reading 2019*, *Best American Poetry 2015*, *American Poetry Review*, *Poetry*, *AGNI*, *The Kenyon Review*, and elsewhere. She teaches at Western Washington University and is also the author of *Overpour* (2016).

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