

Inhabiting the Past and the Present

A Reading and Author Talk with Xue Yiwei, author of Dr. Bethune's Children

When: Tuesday April 30, 3:30-5:00 pm; Where: HG 1010

Xue Yiwei is a highly regarded Chinese writer based in Montreal, Canada. "A maverick in contemporary Chinese literature" (Ha Jin), he received a BA in Computer Science, a MA in English Literature, and a PhD in Linguistics. A charismatic literary stylist, he has published five novels and many collections of short stories on a wide range of topics, often with pointed reflection on recent Chinese history. His works have been translated into English, French, Swedish, German and Italian. His recent novel *Dr. Bethune's Children* received high acclaim in Taiwan, Europe and North America but was banned in China.