The Yehuda Amichai Poetry Festival addresses Amichai’s influence on some contemporary poets. The readers will include: Hana, Yehuda’s widow, David, his son, the Algerian born, Amichai prizewinner Erez Bitton, and Yvonne Green. All the readers will read a favourite poem by Yehuda followed by their own work. Hana, Yehuda’s widow, will attend and participate in the Q & A. Both Dr Menna Abukhadra, an Israeli institute postdoctoral fellow at FAMES and Dr Hana Morgenstern, A Lecturer in Postcolonial and Middle Eastern Literatures at the Faculty of English, will chair the event and lead the discussion.

"Amichai was the poet whose books I still open most often, most often take on a journey, most often return to when the whole business of writing anything natural, real and satisfying, seems impossible.” Ted Hughes