

Judge Bios:

Wayne Price has been a major prize-winner in many international poetry and short story competitions. His debut short story collection, *Furnace*, was published by Freight Books in 2012 and was nominated for the Saltire Scottish First Book of the Year. His first novel, *Misericord*, is scheduled for publication in early 2015. He teaches Literature and Creative Writing at the University of Aberdeen.

Helen Lynch published *The Elephant and the Polish Question* in 2009, a collection of interlinked short stories set in Poland during the collapse of Communism. She is currently working on a second collection, *Tea for the Rent Boy*, and teaches Literature and Creative Writing at the University of Aberdeen.

Project information and Project Leader bio:

The *Write Aberdeen – Write Regensburg* Project is being led by Shane Strachan in conjunction with the Volkshochschulen (VHS) in Regensburg and Aberdeen City Council's Twinning Aberdeen. The project is funded by Aberdeen City Council Twin City Project Funding and the VHS, Regensburg.

Shane Strachan is a PhD Candidate in Creative Writing at the University of Aberdeen. His short stories and poems have been published in *New Writing Scotland*, *Northwords Now*, *Causeway/Cabhsair* and several other publications. He has previously worked on the Creative Learning Team's '100 Words Project' (Doric and Gaelic) as a Doric Language Specialist and Workshop Tutor.