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HYLAND TO BE HONOURED FOR LIFETIME LITERARY ACHIEVEMENT

The Saskatchewan Book Awards (SBA) has created a special 15th anniversary gift, not only to one of Saskatchewan's most loved poets, Gary Hyland, but for the community of writers and publishers he serves. On the evening of Saturday, November 24, 2007 at the 15th Annual Saskatchewan Book Awards Gala, Hyland will be recognized for his contribution to Saskatchewan and Canadian letters. His body of work includes: "Poems from a Loft" (1974), "Home Street" (1975), "Just off Main" (1982), "Street of Dreams" (1984), "After Atlantis" (1991), "White Crane Spreads Wings" (1996), "Work of Snow" (2003), and "Hands Reaching in Water" (2007).

Part of the SBA Citation reads: For forty years, we've felt the power of Gary Hyland's poetry. With each decade he made an artistic leap – from mastering many voices to finding wisdom through compassion in everyday moments to creating his own legend in his own time. He enables us to savour every word – to feel its echo in the heart.

In February of 2008, Hyland's new & selected poetry, "The Love of Mirrors" will be launched by Coteau Books.

Please join us in recognizing Gary Hyland's literary achievements. Tickets for the Saskatchewan Book Awards Gala may be obtained from Book & Brier Patch or from the SBA office by calling 791-7744 or emailing tickets@bookawards.sk.ca.

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