



**CITATION FOR
ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR ROBIN LOON SEONG YUN
OUTSTANDING EDUCATOR AWARD**

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I am honoured to announce the recipient of the 2026 Outstanding Educator Award—Associate Professor Robin Loon.

Robin's teaching practice rests on a community-centred philosophy that treats learning as fundamentally social and relational. Drawing on social constructivist and feminist pedagogies, he designs learning environments that are engaging, secure, and intellectually open, creating spaces where students cultivate curiosity, confidence, empathy, and critical engagement.

This approach is exemplified in his course 'Theatre and Community Engagement'.

In this course, embodied, experiential activities are paired with critical reflection to foster self-discovery and personal growth. Through process drama workshops, reflective writing, and community-based experiences,

students examine their assumptions, practise empathy, and deepen their understanding of themselves and others.

Beyond the classroom, Robin has contributed significantly to educational development and mentorship across the NUS community. As a founding member of Career Advancement for FASS Educators (CAFÉ), he helped build trusted peer mentoring networks that support colleagues' professional growth, identity formation, and sense of belonging. He also pioneered the 'Identifying Yourself as an Educator' workshop series, creating reflective spaces where colleagues articulate their educational values through dialogue, active listening, and collective inquiry.

Please join me in congratulating Associate Professor Robin Loon on receiving the Outstanding Educator Award.