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# **WHEN GOD IS A TRAVELLER:**

**Poetry Reading & Discussion  
on Bhakti Poetry**

a talk by

**ARUNDHATHI SUBRAMANIAM**

Poet

Described as ‘one of the finest poets writing in India today’ (The Hindu, 2010), Arundhathi Subramaniam is the award-winning author of eleven books of poetry and prose. Widely translated and anthologised, her recent volume of poetry, *When God is a Traveller* was shortlisted for the T.S. Eliot Prize. She is the recipient of various awards and fellowships, including the inaugural Khushwant Singh Prize, the Raza Award for Poetry, the International Piero Bigongiari Prize in Italy, the Zee Indian Women Award for Literature, among others. She has written extensively on culture and spirituality, and has worked over the years as poetry editor, cultural curator and critic. As prose writer, her books include the bestselling biography of a contemporary spiritual leader, *Sadhguru: More Than a Life*, *The Book of Buddha*, and most recently, *Adiyogi: The Source of Yoga* (co-authored with Sadhguru). As editor, her most recent book is the acclaimed Penguin anthology of sacred poetry, *Eating God*.

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**5 - 7 pm**

**10 Stephens Hall (ISAS Conf. Room)**

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