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## Poetry in play at BRACU



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The Department of English and Humanities of BRAC University has a tradition of nurturing creative efforts of their students by organising inspiring programmes every semester. The two-day event, Languages in Play: A Poetry Reading preceded by a workshop, The Idyllic and its Reversals began on Thursday in the auditorium of the University.

The Vice-chancellor Prof Ainun Nishat along with other academics and students attended the programme. This is a tribute to the multi-diversity of languages in the month of our Language Movement, said Prof Firdous Azim, the chairman of BRACU Department of English and Humanities.

Poets read out their poems written in Bengali, English and other foreign and indigenous languages including Catalan, Tripura, Spanish, French, and Urdu. They held the audience spellbound by their mesmerizing recitation. Catalan poet Josep Almudever gave an enlightening speech on the literary history of the Catalan language and poet Asad Chowdhury spoke about the significance of our Language Movement and the role of poetry in firing the zeal of nationalism in the Bangladeshi youth.

The speeches were followed by an exhibition of student talent. Participants of the workshop wowed the audience when they shared the poems. The evening was rounded off by awarding certificates to participants of the workshop.