

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Feb. 26, 2021

For more information contact:

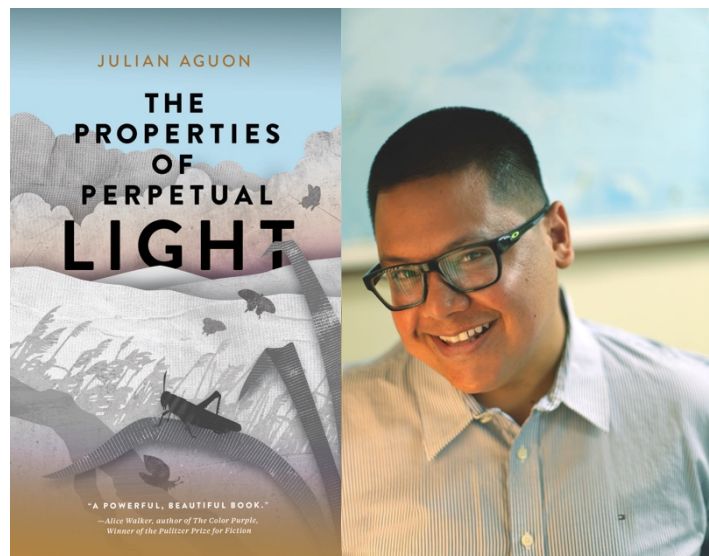
Norman Analista
University Events Office
University of Guam
Cell: (671) 797-3333
Email: analistan@triton.uog.edu

Julian Aguon to discuss inspiration behind new book

The presentation is the University of Guam's 41st Presidential Lecture Series

The University of Guam will welcome human rights attorney and author Julian Aguon for the 41st presentation of its Presidential Lecture Series at 6 p.m. on Thursday, March 4, virtually via Zoom.

In his lecture, titled “**The Art of the Love Letter**,” Aguon will reflect on his life as both a writer and a lawyer, his love of language, and the inspiration behind his new book, “The Properties of Perpetual Light.”



“We are pleased to welcome Julian Aguon back to UOG,” said President Thomas W. Krise, referencing the commencement address given by Aguon at UOG’s Fanuchånan Commencement Ceremony in 2018. “We are delighted to hear his insights and to discuss his new book, which has been lauded internationally by his fellow authors and voices for indigenous rights.”

Participants can register for the event at <https://url.uog.edu/PLS41>.

About the Lecturer

Julian Aguon is an indigenous human rights lawyer and writer from Guam. He is the founder of Blue Ocean Law, a progressive firm that works at the intersection of indigenous rights and environmental justice. He serves on the Global Advisory Council of Progressive International — a global collective that launched in May with the mission of mobilizing progressive forces around the world behind a shared vision of social justice.

About the Book

“The Properties of Perpetual Light” is an homage to the work of the activist-writer, which author Julian Aguon describes as “the work of bearing witness, wrestling with the questions of one’s day, telling children the truth.” With prose and poetry both bracing and quiet, Aguon weaves together stories from his childhood in the villages of Guam with searing political commentary. Throughout the book, Aguon grapples with one heart-breaking loss after another by immersing himself in the beauty of his island, the magic of Micronesia, and the wisdom of his favorite books and elders.

###

Attachments:

- Head shot of Julian Aguon, Esq.
- Book cover
- Event flyer