

# Chris Tse



Chris Tse is a New Zealand poet, short story writer, and editor. His works explore questions of identity, including his Chinese heritage and queer identity. His first full-length poetry collection, *How to be Dead in a Year of Snakes*, won the Jessie Mackay Award for Best First Book of Poetry at the Ockham New Zealand Book Awards in 2016.

He has been appointed as the New Zealand Poet Laureate from 2022 to 2025; the first Asian poet, youngest ever and the first openly rainbow. He is the co-editor of *Out Here: An anthology of Takatāpui and LGBTQIA+ writers from Aotearoa*.