

# Meet the Author

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## *Handpicked*

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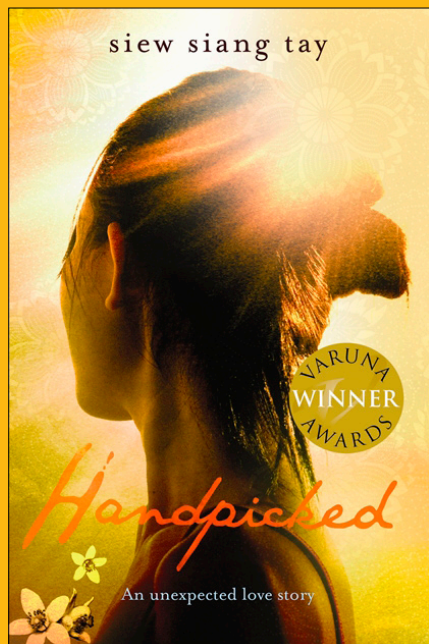
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What is it like to stake everything on a relationship based only on letters?

Desperate to escape life in her Malaysian village, Laila travels to Australia to marry Jim, a middle-aged fruit-picker living in Renmark.

Jim hasn't had much luck with women. He pins his hopes on Laila changing all that.

But when Laila and Jim finally meet, things don't go according to plan.

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