

"Somali poet Ali Jimale Ahmed recounts a lyrical odyssey, confronting the world's monsters, storms and temptations with the glittering safe harbour of his visionary poetic strength." - Charles Cantalupo.

"Timeless and timely, there is verse and music in *Diaspora Blues* tuned by acute intelligence. Ali Jimale Ahmed's pithy and elegant lines span the range from the classical Arab jewels of an al-Ma'ari to the kind of ironies that grace the discursive English Restoration wit of Pope and Swift." - Ammiel Alcalay

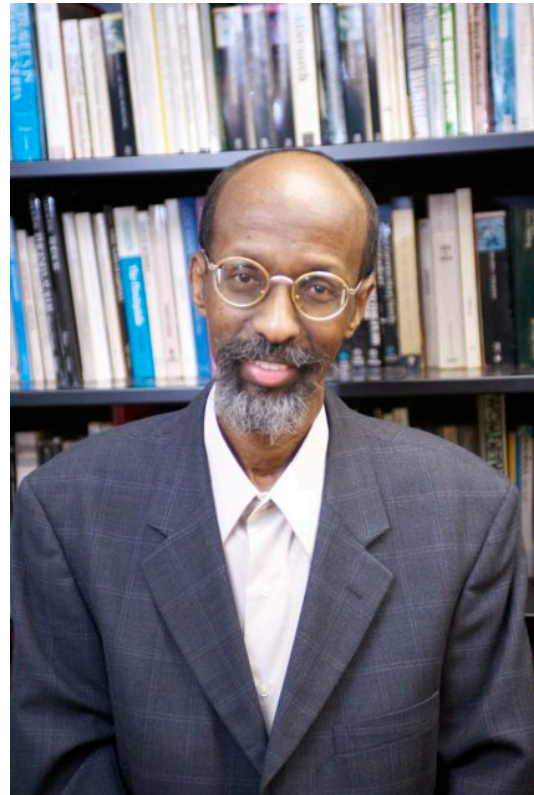
Ahmed's poetry and short stories have been translated into several languages. His books of poetry include *Fear is a Cow* (2002), *Diaspora Blues* (2005), and most recently *When Donkeys Give Birth to Calves* (2012).

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