

## **STUDY NOTES TO COME**

*Students in a creative writing class at RMIT University participated in a workshop with guest lecturer Cathi Lewis. These haikus are their responses to the stories in From Timor-Leste to Australia.*

### **Georgia Couchman**

do not sleep on this  
each dirt speck has a story  
your weight stirs up pain

### **Callie Beuermann**

i  
here is my heart, lain  
quivering before the blood.  
listen to my love.

ii  
wounds seep from old hate,  
living with only your stare,  
have you found it yet?

iii  
questions of flowing  
water who, breathed in, sees you  
keep pace with yourself.

iv  
tomorrow fails you,  
eat your disappointment and  
reach for the cold hand.

v  
find sunsets to chase  
and rain to bathe your love in  
where are you going?

### **Alexander Beaty**

I am one of those  
Who has seen past rivers  
And gave love to them

**Josh Peterken**

A land where love shines  
while war wages behind us  
we make friends, not foes

**Monique Nair**

Knowledge (Haiku Pair)

With friends surrounding:  
all different kinds of knowledge  
we listen, we help.

River crossing days  
the “stupid” ones knew the way  
love: sharing knowledge.