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Below you will find spoken word and poetry listings for the coming month. More information on forwords can be found at <http://access.lowtech.org/forwords>

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Wednesday 29 June

-Burngreave Feel-Good Reading Group

Burngreave Library. 10am-12pm.

A new reading group meets today to talk about Tony Parsons' 'Man and Boy'. Come to chat about 'Man and Boy' and the books you are reading over a cup of coffee. Borrow a copy of the novel for free from Burngreave Library. For more details phone Anne at BCLC on 0114 2794960 or Janet at Burngreave Library on 0114 203 9002.

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Thursday 30 June

-John Cooper Clarke ([www.johncooperclarke.com](http://www.johncooperclarke.com))

The Boardwalk, Snig Hill, Sheffield S3 8NA. £10. Call box office for time.

Manchester's sharp-dressed, sharp-delivering punk poet whose set is a mix of hilarious anecdotes of life in a Northern town interspersed with machine-gun fast delivery of some of his best poems. Box office 0870 145 1207

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Saturday 2 July

-demolition workshop II: Forgotten Places

Signposts, 4th floor Furnival House, Furnival Gate, Sheffield S1 4QP. 12-4pm. £5.

The second in a series of workshops leading up to a performance in Sheffield Cathedral on 22 October, as part of the Off the Shelf Festival. Using visual and aural stimuli, this workshop explores the underbelly of the city, forgotten places, such as derelict sites, industry, red lights, anywhere dark, concrete, or grimy.

For more information, contact Robin Vaughan-Williams, tel. 0114 258 7270, <robin@lowtech.org>. A leaflet (containing maps to venues) about the demolition writing project can be downloaded in PDF format from <[www.zeroquality.net/demolition.html](http://www.zeroquality.net/demolition.html)>. To book, please send cheques, payable to 'Robin Vaughan-Williams', to demolition, 29 Hobart Street, Sheffield S11 8DB.

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Tuesday 5 July

-Sticky Bun Writers, with Kevin Borman

F.O.B., Church Street, Sheffield city centre (near cathedral and Cutlers' Hall).

7.30-9.30pm.

Kevin Borman will be reading from his very new collection *\_Blue is Rare\_*. Exploring the relationships between people and landscapes, whether urban, saltmarsh or mountain, has been an enduring focus for his work. Kevin has previously read at Sticky Bun from his collection *\_Inside the New Map\_*.

Enquiries to Jenny King, 84 Knowle Lane, Sheffield S11 9SJ. Tel. 0114 236 6225

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Saturday 9 July

-demolition workshop III: Buried Voices

The Robinson Room (directions will be given at Cathedral entrance), Cathedral Church of St Peter and St Paul, Church St, Sheffield S1 1HA. 12-4pm. £5.

The third in a series of workshops leading up to a performance in Sheffield Cathedral on 22 October, as part of the Off the Shelf Festival. What lies beneath the Cathedral? Let the city speak! Experiment with different voices, from the tiny to the universal, to bring the changing urban landscape to life.

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Saturday 16 July

-Poetry Business Writing Day

The Poetry Business, The Studio, Byram Arcade, Westgate, Huddersfield, HD1 1ND.  
10.15-4.15pm. £16 waged, £8 unwaged.

In the morning there are games and exercises which will inspire poems. In the afternoon workshop we look at poems which people have either brought with them (bring a dozen copies if possible) or have written in the morning session and worked on over lunch. Tel. 01484 434840.

-Sheffield Poetry International, with Alison Croggon, Chris Jones, and David Kennedy

Rutland Arms, 86 Brown Street (opposite Yorkshire Artspace), Sheffield. 8pm. £3/£1.50

The last in a series of readings featuring international alongside

locally-based poets. Supported by Arts Council England.

Contact Alan Halsey & Geraldine Monk, 0114 258 6035 ([alan@nethedge.demon.co.uk](mailto:alan@nethedge.demon.co.uk)), or

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