

FORWORDS 34, Mon 26 September 2005

For poetry and spoken word listings please scroll down. For more info on forwords visit [<access.lowtech.org/forwords/>](http://access.lowtech.org/forwords/). First, a couple of news items.

OFF THE SHELF

The Off the Shelf Festival of Reading and Writing runs this year from 15 to 29 October. Details of the Festival programme can be found on their website:

www.offtheshelf.org.uk

SHEFFIELD YOUNG WRITERS' WORKSHOP

Beverley Ward is setting up a new writing group for young people (aged 13-17) called the Sheffield Young Writers' Workshop. The group will be meeting in the Central Library from late September through to December, and aims "to give talented young writers the opportunity to develop their writing in a supportive, recreational setting". Members will be encouraged to take part in one or more special events during the Off the Shelf Festival.

You can find out more about the Sheffield Young Writers' Workshop by contacting Beverley at:

0114 266 2673
07754 091014
sheffyoungwriters@yahoo.co.uk

The following two PDFs can also be downloaded from the forwords website (just copy and paste the URLs into your browser's address bar):

http://access.lowtech.org/forwords/SYWW_overview.pdf
http://access.lowtech.org/forwords/SYWW_flier.pdf

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THE LISTINGS

Tuesday 27 September

-Rob Hindle: poems from 'Undertow', + short film by Phil Parkin
F.O.B., Church Street, Sheffield city centre (near cathedral and Cutlers' Hall). 8pm.

Rob Hindle reads poems from his sequence about the Sheffield Flood, 'Undertow', plus 'The Fogotten Flood', a short film by Phil Parkin. Presented by Buk Off. For more details contact Matt Black on 0114 255 4030.

Thursday 29 September

-Open Space (open-space.org.uk)
Coffee Revolution in Sheffield University Students Union. 7.30-10pm

Open mic. A place to step out and try something new: music, poetry, drama.... Performance slots offered on a first come first served basis, so if you want to take a stand turn up early and have a word with Phil, or whoever's setting up. For more information, contact Phill on 0779 971 4605 or email [<openspace@sheffield.ac.uk>](mailto:openspace@sheffield.ac.uk).

Thursday 6 October

-Open Space (open-space.org.uk)
Coffee Revolution in Sheffield University Students Union. 7.30-10pm

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-Thom the World Poet: Peace and Prosperity Tour
St Mary's Church (on Church Street near the Town Hall and opposite the Cooper Gallery), Barnsley.
7.30pm. Free (donations accepted)

Thom the World Poet returns to Barnsley with his Peace and Prosperity Tour, plus Alex Krynski, Nick Card, and open mic. See www.barnsley.gov.uk for a map.

Tuesday 11 October

-Spoken Word Antics
Upstairs at the Red Deer on Pitt St., Sheffield, 8pm for 8.30pm start. Turn off West St. onto Mappin St., and Pitt St. is the second on the left. Donation: 50p-£1.

Stories, poetry, urban fairytales, beautiful lies, the ugly truth. A friendly, informal atmosphere. No stage, no amplification. If you'd like to perform just let us know when you arrive. For more info email [<antics@lowtech.org>](mailto:antics@lowtech.org), phone 0114 258 7270, or visit the website: <http://access.lowtech.org/antics>.

Thursday 13 October

-Open Space (open-space.org.uk)
Coffee Revolution in Sheffield University Students Union. 7.30-10pm

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Thursday 20 October

-Open Space (open-space.org.uk)
Coffee Revolution in Sheffield University Students Union. 7.30-10pm

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Saturday 22 October

-Demolition: sound/poetry collage (www.zeroquality.net/demolition.html)
Sheffield Cathedral, Church Street. 7pm, £3.

Inspired by last year's VERBIAGE in the Winter Garden, 'Demolition' offers a composite view of the city, refracted through a collage of sound and voices. Performing from different positions around the Cathedral, musicians from poetic sound adventure Ella Luk play alongside a band of poets assembled especially for the project. 'Demolition' tells the stories of the city, from death on Park Hill to the Sheffield Flood, street walkers to streets in the sky. Part of the Off the Shelf Festival, supported by the Arts Council. Any enquiries to mail@zeroquality.net
