

FORWORDS 48, Fri 5 May 2006

Spoken word, poetry, live literature events in the Sheffield area for the coming month. For information on forwords, listings and subscriptions, visit <http://access.lowtech.org/forwords/>.

LISTINGS

Tuesday 9 May

-Spoken Word Antics: an avant-garde adventure

8.30pm, upstairs at the Red Deer on Pitt St, off Mappin St, Sheffield (map: www.red-deer-sheffield.co.uk/location.htm). £1 donations.

This month Spoken Word Antics celebrates the avant-garde and discovers it's not just for 'funny continentals'. Live performances by writers whose work has a bearing on the avant-garde will be interspersed with archive recordings of avant-garde practitioners such as Maiakovskii, Schwitters, Dada, and Ginsberg. From serious to absurd, minimalist to prophetic, expect a lively and provocative evening.

There will be readings from Liverpool's Scott Thurston, Bradford's Bruce Barnes, and performance art from Sheffield's Roland Miller. Also appearing will be Matt Black, Andy Hirst, Chris Brownsword, Jonathan Baxter, and Tom Stafford with his latest 'historical vignette about moments of revolution'. For more about the performers visit: http://access.lowtech.org/antics/9_may.html. Enquiries to antics@lowtech.org. This will not be an open mic event.

Wednesday 24 May

-Book launch: *Lightning of Your Eyes* by Chris Searle
4-6pm, Forum House, 35 Spital Hill, Sheffield. Free.

The launch for Sheffield writer and tutor Chris Searle's new poetry collection, *Lightning of Your Eyes*, plus readings from local writers. Organised by Burngreave Community Learning Campaign. Contact: Anne Grange, anne@burngreavelearning.org.

Thursday 25 May

-Broken Compass Press presents an Ascension Day Poetry Reading

7.30pm, upstairs at the Red Deer on Pitt St, off Mappin St, Sheffield (map: www.red-deer-sheffield.co.uk/location.htm). £3 entrance.

To celebrate the launch of a limited edition anthology featuring new and uncollected work by J.H. Prynne, Catherine Walsh, Scott Thurston, and more, there will be readings from David Annwn, Stuart Calton, Alan Halsey, Andy Hirst, Geraldine Monk, and James Wheatley. Contact: cbrowsword@hotmail.com.
