FORWORDS 95, Fri 30 May 2008

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

LISTINGS

Sunday 1 June

-Launch of Dark Peak by James Caruth 4pm, the Green Room, 150-154 Devonshire Street, Sheffield (free entrance)

Following the publication last year of his first collection, A Stone's Throw, Longbarrow Press presents Dark Peak, a new pamphlet of poetry by James Caruth. James will be reading from Dark Peak (an extended poem in the form of a mass) and from some recent work. Enquiries: Brian.Lewis@openwork.uk.com.

Monday 2 June

-Spoken Word Antics Radio Show

6-7pm, Sheffield Live 93.2FM, live stream on www.sheffieldlive.org, or podcasts via www.access-space.org/antics

An exploration of non-fictional writing: Brian Kennedy, a Canadian living in California, reads from Growing Up Hockey, a book about his country's favourite past-time that also draws on the travails and insecurities of childhood; Carolyn Waudby takes us to Cuba, or possibly Paris, with her travel writing...and a splash of poetry. More poems from Rosie Garner, Catherine Clark, and Rachel Pantechnicon.

Tuesday 3 June

-Everything you wanted to know about poetry but were afraid to ask 7.30pm, Caffeteria, corner of Leopold and Church St, Sheffield ctr. (£2).

Sticky Bun presents an informal evening of readings from award-winning poets Alan Payne, Lorraine O'Reilly, Jan Caborn, Carolyn Waudby and John Gosnell of The Word Train with the opportunity to respond to the poems and ask questions. Enquiries to Jenny King: email <ednjenny.king@btinternet.com>, tel. 0114 236 6225.

Wednesday 4 June

-Runaway with Words: Chris Jones + open mic 8-10.30pm, Runaway Girl, 111 Arundel Street, Sheffield, S1 2NT Guest poet Chris Jones will be reading from his two collections, The Safe House and Miniatures, featuring poems about prison, the recent Sheffield floods, fatherhood, and family reflection. There will also be an open mic. Sign up on the night or in advance for a 3-minute slot to read a poem, short story, or sing. Tel. 0114 270 6160.

Thursday 5 June

-Attila the Stockbroker + Joseph Porter The Boardwalk (www.theboardwalklive.co.uk), Snig Hill, Sheffield, S3 8NA (£7)

Box office 0870 145 1207

Tuesday 10 June

-Spoken Word Antics: Careless 8.30pm, upstairs at the Red Deer on Pitt St, Sheffield. Turn off West St. onto Mappin St, and Pitt St is the second on the left. £2/£1 donations.

This month's guests are Matt Black and Adam White with Careless, a medley of poems and guitar that follows the cares and carelessness of love in its early stages. There will also be an open mic for poems, stories, fairytales, and anything else you care to read. More details on www.access-space.org/antics/, or call Robin on 0114 258 7270.

Wednesday 18 June

-Unthemed Cream: An evening of poetry and music 7.30-9.30pm, Cream Cafe, Broomhill (free)

A group of celebrated local poets will read from their work: Liz Barrett, Bryony Doran, Shelley Roche-Jacques, Ann Sansom, Kathy Towers, Lisa Wallace & Linda Lee Welch. Open mic session after the readings & Live Music during the intervals. Part of the Broomhill Festival.

Saturday 21 June

-Gargoyle presents Catherine Wagner and Harriet Tarlo

8pm, Bank Street Arts, Bank St, Sheffield, S1 2DS (free)

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