



Delivering the poem

Ever felt you don't do justice to the poems you read?

Struggle with microphones?

Feel nervous in front of an audience?

This workshop is for you. Under the inspiring direction of actor, director and all round man of the theatre, Darren Cheek we will explore a range of techniques to increase your confidence and enhance the way you present a poem or, indeed, anything else you need to read out or enact for an audience.

Topics covered will include

- projecting the voice
- breathing
- commanding the stage
- reading from the page
- memorising
- using a mic
- engaging the audience
- interpretation
- stresses and operative words
- introducing the poem

Of value to poets, readers, and presenters, this workshop will link to MVP's annual Poetry Pub, which will be held two days later and give an opportunity to test out those new skills.

The facilitator - Darren Cheek

Darren has spent 20 years as an actor, writer and director, in theatre, film and TV, is a fluent British Sign Language user, a therapist, teacher and experienced workshop leader.

- **October 14th 2pm (and Poetry Pub October 16th 7.30pm)**
- **The Stepping Stones, Westhumble St, Westhumble, RH5 6BS**
- **£10 (and £5 for the Poetry Pub, same venue)**