

# INUA M. M. ELLAMS

## PERSONAL INFORMATION

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Date of Birth: 23/10/1984

General Health: Good

## EDUCATION

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10/07 - 12/07	Advanced Poetry, City University	London, England
01/06 - 07/06	Digital Media, Motion Graphics, Animation, Hackney Community College	London, England
07/06 - 09/06	Poets In Education Training.	London, England
07/99 - 06/02	Firhouse Community College	Dublin, Ireland
08/97 - 07/99	Holland Park School	London, England

## PRIZES, AWARDS AND COMMENDATIONS

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2015. Commended by the Forward Prize, Shortlisted for the Brunel Prize for African Poetry.

2014. Live Canon International Prize, Shortlisted for the Brunel Prize for African Poetry.

2013. Longlisted for The Alfred Fagan Award.

2009. Edinburgh Fringe First.

## PERSONAL PROFILE

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Inua Ellams is a poet, playwright and performer based in London. His first collection of poetry, 'Thirteen Fairy Negro Tales' was published by Flipped in 2005. His first play 'The 14<sup>th</sup> Tale' was awarded a Fringe First and the Edinburgh Festival. His second play 'Untitled' was long listed for the Alfred Fagan award. His second pamphlet 'Candy Coated Unicorns and Converse All Stars' was published in 2011. His third play

'Black T-Shirt Collection' ran at the National Theatre in 2012. In 2013, he wrote 'Mostly Like Blue' a play for a cast of eight young people, 'Cape' - a play on vigilantism which toured to schools and prisons, before running at the Unicorns Theatre in London. He is currently working on his first full length play 'Barber Shop Chronicles' and two books of poetry #Afterhours and Of All The Boys Of Plateau Private School - his first full collection.

As a theatre performer, he has played venues in Perth, Katanning, Albany, Denmark in Australia, in England: in the ARC (Stockton), Contact (Manchester) Norderm Arts Centre (Maidenhead), Ustinov (Bath), BAC (London), The Drum (Birmingham), The Albany (London), Croydon Clocktower (London), Merlin (Bath), Soho Theatre (London), REP (Birmingham), The 22<sup>nd</sup> Aldeburgh Poetry Festival (Aldeburgh), Warwick Arts Centre (Warwick), The Tobacco Factory (Bristol), The University of Bedfordshire (Bedford), Gulbenkian Theatre (Kent) and National Theatre, London. 'The 14<sup>th</sup> Tale' was Commissioned by Battersea Arts Centre, 'Untitled' by Soho Theatre and 'Cards' by Only Connect, 'Black T-Shirt Collection' by Warwick Arts Centre, 'Knight Watch' by Albany Theatre.

As a poet, he has guest performed at Glastonbury Festival, OneTaste Festival, Local 4 Global Festival, Latitude Festival, Camp Bestival, Shambala Festival and the Big Chill Festival. Venues also include The Southbank Centre, The Queen Elizabeth Hall, The Royal Festival Hall and The Royal Albert Hall, MAC, Norderm Arts Centre, Brewery Arts Centre, Stratford Theatre Royal, Arts for Human Rights Festival, Amnesty UK, E4's Udderbelly, Edinburgh Fringe Festival, RADA, Poetry café, The Barbican Centre, Lit Up Festival, Roundhouse, South London Gallery, National Portrait Gallery, Tate Modern, Tate Britain, Geoffrey Museum, Rhythm Factory, Vibe Bar, Ronnie Scots Jazz Bar and The Rich Mix, Covent Garden's Flag Ship Apple store to name a few.

He is an experienced workshop leader, mentor and writing tutor. He has worked in Arts Centers, Libraries, Theatres, Nursery, Primary & Secondary Schools, Ideas Stores including: Royal Opera House, The National Theatre, Oxford University, Battersea Arts Centre, Nottingham Play House, Laban, East London Dance, York University, SOAS, Westminster University, Goldsmiths University, Central School of Speech and Drama, The National Theatre and South Bank Center to name a few.

He was commissioned to write (and perform) on the BBC's Politics Show, a poem about the African Diaspora. In 2010, he was the first ever poet in residence at Covent Garden, appointed to celebrate the 180<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the completion of the building. In 2011, he was a resident writer/poet and performer at the Tate Modern. He was Commissioned by the British Museum to write a poem alongside an exhibition of Nigerian art works from the Kingdom Ife. He was commissioned by the artist Chris Ofili to write a poem accompanying his limited edition book 'Afro Margin' and also commissioned by Luis Vuitton to write for an anthology themed 'The City At Night' - a limited edition release illustrated by Chris Ofili. In 2012, he was commissioned by The Houses of Parliament to 'crowd source' a poem on political representation and democratic engagement.

Inua was commissioned to write 'The Ballad of Abdul Hafiz' a short play in verse for BBC Radio4 and 'Wild Blood' also for BBC Radio. Poems and excerpts of his plays have been published in magazine and anthologies including such as Magma, Generation Txt, Pen International, The Salt Book of Younger Poets 2011, The Shuffle Anthology 2011, City State, New Writing Dundee, Pen Pusher, Tresspass and Creativ Africa, Lung Jazz, Out of Bounds, Adventures in Form and Liminal Animals to name a few. He is currently under commission from the National Theatre, Soho, Tricycle and Metta Theatrea.

In addition to his work in literature and live literature, Inua is a talented Graphic designer and artist. The 'Thirteen Fairy Negro Tales' published in 2005 was followed by a limited edition illustrated release, artwork and layout by Inua. Where possible, he designs the print work for his theatre and poetry appearances. He works closely within the live literature community; designing diligently to raise its profile nationally and internationally. [www.phaze05.com](http://www.phaze05.com)

Inua also founded 'The Midnight Run' in 2005, an urban, social walking event that draws from the nomadic traditions of his Nigerian tribe: the Hausa people, and from the Situationists - the artistic movement of the 1950s founded in France. The Midnight Run is about sidestepping mass media, pop culture, hype and reality

television for \*actual reality. The walks (which can be themed, tailored to events, festivals, specific routes or entirely improvised) run typically from 6pm to 6am, or 6pm to midnight. The core idea is to reclaim the streets of a city at night and dispel the notion of ‘danger after dark’ and try to *discover* after dark. It is to inhabit the confines of glass, concrete, steel and structure, as a child does a maze; with as much innocence and wonderment as is natural. [www.themnr.com](http://www.themnr.com).

## EXPERIENCE

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06/03 - Present FREELANCE WRITER / PERFORMER. London, The World.  
- Poet, Playwright, Educator.

### 2016

- Jan 2016 - Writer/Facilitator, Contact Theatre, Manchester.
- Jan 2016 - Writer/Performer, SOAs University, London.
- Jan 2016 - Writer/Performer, Born Free, London.
- Jan 2016 - Writer/Performer, Leicester University.
- Feb 2016 - Writer/Performer, Barbican, London.
- Feb 2016 - Writer/Performer, Hastings.
- Feb 2016 - Writer. Soho Theatre.
- Feb 2016 - Writer. Tricycle Theatre.
- Feb 2016 - Writer/Facilitator. Guildford High School.
- Mar 2016 - Midnight Run, Playable City, Lagos.
- Mar 2016 - Writer/Performer, York Literature Festival.
- Mar 2016 - Mentor, BBC.
- Mar 2016 - Writer. The Half-God of Rainfall. Tricycle Theatre.
- Apr 2016 - Writer/Facilitator, Apples and Snakes.
- Apr 2016 - Writer/Facilitator, NYU, London.
- May 2016 - Writer/Facilitator, Royal Court.
- May 2016 - Writer/Performer, BAC, The Man who flew into space.
- May 2016 - Writer. Jigsaw.
- May 2016 - Writer/Performer, Peterborough.
- June 2016 - Writer/Performer, CAPA.
- June 2016 - Writer/Performer, Morning Star.
- June 2016 – Midnight Run, Balham Literature Festival.
- June 2016 - Writer/Performer, Poetry in Education.
- June 2016 - Writer/Performer, TEDx Clapham.
- June 2016 - Writer/Performer, Africa Writes.
- June 2016 - Writer/Performer, BBC Focus on Africa.
- Jul 2016 - Writer/Performer. An Evening with an Immigrant. Soho Theatre.
- Jul 2016 - Writer BBC.

- **Jul 2016** - Royal Opera House.
- **Jul 2016** - Writer/Performer, Walthamstow Garden Party.
- **Jul 2016** - Writer/Performer, Screen Writing Festival, BBC.
- **Jul 2016** - Writer/Performer, An Evening With An Immigrant – Soho Theatre.
- **Jul 2016** - Writer/Performer, Literary Death Match. BBC.
- **Aug 2016** - Writer/Performer, The Good Immigrant, Roundhouse.
- **Aug 2016** - Writer/Performer. An Evening with an Immigrant. Greenbelt Festival.
- **Aug 2016** - Writer/Facilitator, Arvon Foundation.
- **Aug 2016** - Writer. Three Sisters, Metta Theatre.
- **Aug 2016** - Writer/Performer, An Evening With An Immigrant – Greenbelt.
- **Sept 2016** - Writer, BBC World Service. Greenbelt.
- **Sept 2016** - Writer, Barber Shop Chronicles, National Theatre.
- **Sep 2016** - Writer/Performer, Migrant Watch.
- **Sep 2016** - Writer/Performer, Totally Thames.
- **Sep 2016** - Writer/Performer, RAP Party, The Jetty.
- **Sep 2016** - Writer/Performer, St Paul's Cathedral.
- **Sep 2016** - Writer/Performer, Outspoken.
- **Oct 2016** - Writer/Performer, Ilkley Lit Festival.
- **Oct 2016** - Writer/Performer, Winchester Poetry Festival.
- **Oct 2016** - Writer. The 14<sup>th</sup> Tale Schools Tour. London, Margate. Newcastle.
- **Oct 2016** - Writer/Performer. An Evening with an Immigrant. Tobacco Factory Theatre Bristol.
- **Oct 2016** - Writer/Performer. An Evening with an Immigrant. New Writing Festival.
- **Nov 2016** - Writer/Performer. An Evening with an Immigrant. Lakeside Theatre, Colchester.

## 2015

- **Jan 2015 - Dec 2015** - #Talawa Theatre Writer in Residence. Soho Theatre.
- **Feb 2015** - Writer/Facilitator. Basingstoke.
- **Feb 2015** - Writer/Facilitator. Refugee Tales
- **Feb 2015** - Writer/Facilitator. Young Arts
- **March 2015** - Writer/Performer. Goldsmiths University
- **March 2015** - Writer Wellcome Trust.
- **March 2015** - Writer/Performer. Theatre Royal Stratford.
- **March 2015** - Writer. Metta Theatre.
- **March 2015** - Writer/Performer. Outspoken Press.
- **Apr 2015** - Writer. The Spalding Suite. London
- **April 2015** – Graphic Design, Bernardett Evaristo.
- **April 2015** - Writer/Performer. Giving Voice festival.
- **April 2015** - Writer/Performer. BBC The Verb
- **April 2015** - Writer/Performer. Southbank Centre. Changing Britain.
- **April 2015** - Writer/Performer. National Theatre.

- **May 2015** - Writer. The Spalding Suite. Brighton.
- **May 2015** - Writer/Performer. Wellcome Trust.
- **May 2015** - Writer/Performer. Free Word Centre
- **May 2015** - Writer/Performer. Clerkenwell Festival
- **May 2015** - Midnight Run, Paris.
- **May 2015** - Writer/Performer. The Place.
- **May 2015** - Writer. The Spalding Suite. Brighton.
- **May 2015** - Writer. The Spalding Suite. Bournemouth.
- **May 2015** - Writer. The Spalding Suite. Stockton.
- **May 2015** - Writer. The Spalding Suite. Birmingham.
- **May 2015** - Writer. The Spalding Suite. Ipswich.
- **June 2015** - Writer. The Spalding Suite. Liverpool.
- **June 2015** - Midnight Run, Paris
- **June 2015** - Writer/Performer. Apples and Snakes.
- **June 2015** - Midnight Run, Madrid.
- **July 2015** - Writer/Facilitator. Outspoken.
- **July 2015** - Midnight Run, London.
- **July 2015** - Writer/Performer. An Evening With An Immigrant.
- **July 2015** - Writer/Performer. Tricycle Theatre
- **July 2015** - Writer/Facilitator. Tricycle Theatre
- **Aug 2015** - Midnight Run, Berlin
- **Aug 2015** - Writer/Performer. BBC Proms.
- **Aug 2015** - Writer. Television Festival. Edinburgh.
- **Aug 2015** - Writer/Facilitator. Arvon Foundation.
- **Sept 2015** - Writer/Facilitator. Arvon Foundation.
- **Sept 2015** - Midnight Run, Paris.
- **Sept 2015** - Writer/Facilitator. Bush Theatre.
- **Sept 2015** - Writer/Performer. The Right Words. Leicester.
- **Oct 2014 - Oct 2015** - #Afterhours Writer in Residence. Southbank Centre
- **Oct 2015** - Writer/The 14<sup>th</sup> Tale Schools Tour. London. Manchester. Bristol.
- **Oct 2015** - Writer/Performer. Burn After Reading.
- **Oct 2015** - Writer/Performer. Literary Death Match.
- **Oct 2015** - Writer/Facilitator . National Poetry Day.
- **Oct 2015** - Writer/Performer. Lagos. Poetry Festival.
- **Nov 2015** - Writer/Performer. SOAS.
- **Nov 2015** - Writer/Performer. The Place.
- **Nov 2015** - Writer/Performer. Ake Book Festival.
- **Nov 2015** - Writer. The Calm. Royal Shakespeare Company.
- **Dec 2015** – Writer/Performer. Guadalajara, Mexico.
- **Dec 2015** – Writer. BBC.
- **Dec 2015** – Writer/Performer. London. Apples and Snakes.

## 2014

- **Jan 2014** - Writer. Barber Shop Chronicles. Ghana.
- **Jan 2014** - Writer. Barber Shop Chronicles. Nigeria.
- **Jan 2014** - Writer/Facilitator. Apple and Snakes.
- **Feb 2014** - Writer/Performer. Being a man festival. London.
- **Feb 2014** - Writer/Facilitator. Apple and Snakes.
- **Feb 2014** - Writer/Facilitator. Ideas Tap.
- **Feb 2014** - Host. Scratch Mixer. Southbank Centre.
- **Feb 2014** - Writer/Facilitator. British Council. Bangladesh.
- **Feb 2014** - Writer. Fast Cuts and Snapshots.
- **Mar 2014** - Writer/Facilitator. Apple and Snakes.
- **Mar 2014** - Writer/Performer. Black Tshirt Collection. Pakistan
- **Mar 2014** - Writer/Performer. Transform Festival.
- **Mar 2014** - Writer/Performer. BBC Destination Africa.
- **April 2014** - Writer/Performer. Nuyorican Poetry cafe.
- **April 2014** – Writer. Fast Cuts and Snapshots.
- **April 2014** - Writer/Performer. Auckland Writers' Festival
- **May 2014** - Writer/Performer. Sydney Writer's Festival.
- **May 2014** - Writer/Performer. Speakeasy. Singapore.
- **June 2014** - Writer/Performer. Raynes Park Festival.
- **June 2014** - Writer/Performer. Keats House.
- **June 2014** - Writer/Performer. The Long Song Goodbye.
- **June 2014** - Writer/Performer. Bridlington Poetry Festival.
- **June 2014** - Writer/Facilitator. Oval House Theatre.
- **June 2014** - Writer/ Performer. Lit Live.
- **June 2014** - Writer/Facilitator. G&D Festival.
- **July 2014** - Writer/Performer. Artful Scribe.
- **July 2014** - Writer. Beaford Arts.
- **July 2014** - Writer/Performer. Southbank Centre.
- **July 2014** - Writer/Poetry Judge. Wasafiri.
- **August 2014** - Writer. Theatre Uncut.
- **August 2014** - Writer. BBC.
- **August 2014** - Writer/Performer. Shambala Festival.
- **August 2014** - Writer/Performer. Boxed In.
- **August 2014** – Speaker. BBC Radio 4. Review Show.
- **August 2014** – Writer/Performer. Waterstones.
- **September 2014** – Writer/Performer. Canary Warf Arts Festival.
- **September 2014** – Judge. Wasafiri Prize for New Writing.
- **September 2014** – Writer/Performer. Soho Theatre.
- **September 2014** – Writer/Facilitator. Gas Board. Rich Mix.

- **October 2014** – Writer/Performer. Complete Works. Southbank Centre.
- **October 2014** – Writer/Performer. Hit The Ode. Birmingham.
- **October 2014** – Writer/Performer. Edinburgh.
- **October 2014** – Writer/Performer. Arts Council.
- **October 2014** – Motivational Speaker. Cardinal Vaughn.
- **October 2014** – Writer/Performer. Exeter.
- **November 2014** – Writer/Performer. Bush Theatre. London.
- **November 2014** – Writer. #Afterhours Residency, Southbank Centre.
- **November 2014** – Writer. #Talawa Residency, Soho Theatre.
- **December 2014** – Writer/Performer/Curator, Black Cultural Archives. London.

## 2013

- **Jan 2013** - Writer/Performer. Warwick University.
- **Jan 2013** - Writer/Performer. London.
- **Jan 2013** - Writer/Performer. Wordsmiths & Co. Warwick.
- **Jan 2013** - Writer. Pets. BBC.
- **Jan 2013** - Writer/Performer. Poetry Review. London.
- **Feb 2013** - Writer/Performer. Bristol.
- **Feb 2013** - Writer/Performer. 14th Tale. Nigeria.
- **Feb 2013** - Writer/Performer. 14th Tale. Colchester.
- **Feb 2013** - Writer/Performer. Secret Cinema.
- **Mar 2013** - Writer. Houses of Parliament.
- **Mar 2013** - Writer/Performer. BBC World Service.
- **Mar 2013** - Writer/Workshop Leader. Royal Shakespeare Company.
- **Mar 2013** - Writer/Performer. 14th Tale. Preston.
- **Mar 2013** - Writer/Performer. 14th Tale. Liverpool.
- **Mar 2013** - Writer/Performer. 14th Tale. Bristol.
- **Mar 2013** - Writer/Performer. 14th Tale. Poole.
- **Mar 2013** - Writer/Performer. Arvon.
- **Mar 2013** - Writer/Facilitator. Apples & Snakes.
- **April 2013** - Writer/Performer. SOAS. London.
- **April 2013** - Writer/Performer. Salzburg Literature Festival.
- **April 2013** - Writer/Performer. Big Noise Festival. London.
- **April 2013** - Writer/Facilitator. London.
- **May 2013** - Midnight Run.
- **May 2013** - Writer/Performer. BBC. PETS.
- **May 2013** - Writer/Performer. Oxford University.
- **May 2013** - Writer/Facilitator. Islington Community Theatre.
- **May 2013** - Writer/Performer. 14th Tale. Newcastle.
- **May 2013** - Writer/Performer. Lazy Gramophone. London.
- **May 2013** - Writer/Performer. Outspoken. London.

- **June 2013** - Writer/Performer. The flair debate show. London.
- **June 2013** - Midnight Run. Barcelona.
- **June 2013** - Writer/Performer. Southbank Centre.
- **June 2013** - Writer/Performer. 14th Tale. Royal Court.
- **June 2013** - Writer/Performer. Vocals and Verse. London.
- **June 2013** - Writer. Pets. BBC.
- **June 2013** - Writer/Performer. St Thomas Hospital.
- **June 2013** - Writer/Performer. Brent Poet Laureate.
- **June 2013** - Writer/Performer. Great Transition. Imagine 2020.
- **June 2013** - Writer/Performer. Arvon.
- **June 2013** - Writer/Performer. Bang Said The Gun. London.
- **June 2013** - Writer/Performer. TEDx Hackney.
- **July 2013** - Writer/Performer. TEDx Hackney.
- **July 2013** - Writer/Performer. The Poetry School.
- **July 2013** - Writer/Performer. Jazz Verse Juke Box. London.
- **July 2013** - Writer/Performer. Arvon.
- **July 2013** - Writer/Performer. Southbank Centre.
- **July 2013** - Writer/Workshop Leader. Refugee Youth.
- **July 2013** - Writer. Synergy Theatre.
- **July 2013** - Writer/Performer. Arvon
- **Aug 2013** - Curator. RAP Party. Southbank Centre.
- **Aug 2013** - Writer/Performer/Curator. Tshirt Stories.
- **Aug 2013** - Writer/Performer. Black Tshirt. Collection. Edinburgh Festival.
- **Aug 2013** - Writer/Performer. Traverse Theatre. Edinburgh.
- **Aug 2013** - Writer/Performer. Tongue Foo. Edinburgh
- **Aug 2013** - Writer/Performer. Arvon.
- **Aug 2013** - Writer/Performer. Burn After Reading. London.
- **Sep 2013** - Writer/Performer. 14th Tale in schools.
- **Sep 2013** - Writer/Performer. Mandela Tribute. Southbank Centre.
- **Sep 2013** - Writer/Performer. Book Slam. London.
- **Sep 2013** - Writer. Spalding Suite Research & Development.
- **Sep 2013** - Writer/Performer. Old Queen's Head.
- **Sep 2013** - Writer/Performer. James Berry Benefit.
- **Oct 2013** - Writer/Performer. Lyrix Organix. London.
- **Oct 2013** - Writer. Cape. Synergy Theatre. London.
- **Oct 2013** - Writer/Performer. Libyan Book Festival.
- **Oct 2013** - Writer. Barber Shop Chronicles. National Theatre. London.
- **Nov 2013** - Writer. Barber Shop Chronicles. National Theatre. London.
- **Nov 2013** - Writer/Performer. Book Slam.
- **Nov 2013** - Writer/Performer. Plymouth International Book Festival. Plymouth.
- **Nov 2013** - Writer/Performer. Hastings Storytelling Festival. London.
- **Nov 2013** - Writer/Performer. Bush Theatre Radar Festival. London.



- **Nov 2013** - Writer. Barber Shop Chronicles. WY Play House. Leeds.
- **Nov 2013** - Writer/Performer. British Council. York.
- **Nov 2013** - Writer/Performer. Page. Match. London.
- **Nov 2013** - Writer/Facilitator. Roundhouse. London.
- **Dec 2013** - Writer. BBC. London.
- **Dec 2013** - Midnight Run. Southbank Centre.
- **Dec 2013** - Writer. Barber Shop Chronicles. South Africa.
- **Dec 2013** - Writer. Barber Shop Chronicles. Kenya.
- **Dec 2013** - Writer. Barber Shop Chronicles. Uganda.

## 2012

- **January 2012** - Workshop Leader, Royal Opera House, London.
- **February 2012** - Writer/Performer, 14<sup>th</sup> Tale, Perth, Australia.
- **February 2012** - Writer/Performer, 14<sup>th</sup> Tale, Katanning, Australia.
- **February 2012** - Writer/Performer, 14<sup>th</sup> Tale, Albany, Australia.
- **February 2012** - Writer/Performer, 14<sup>th</sup> Tale, Denmark, Australia.
- **March - May 2012** - Writer/Performer/Workshop Leader Black T-Shirt Collection Tour.
  - UNITY, Liverpool – CONTACT, Manchester – LD VIC, Bristol - HAWTH, Crawley -
  - NATIONAL THEATRE, London - PARABOLA ARTS CENTRE, Cheltenham -
  - WARWICK ARTS CENTRE, Coventry - THE MALTINGS THEATRE, Berwick Upon Tweed
  - THE BASEMENT, Brighton - MERLIN THEATRE, Frome.
- **March 2012** - Writer, Tate Modern, London
- **April 2012** - Writer/Workshop Leader Islington Community Theatre, London
- **April 2012** - Poet/Performer, Sand Blast, Roundhouse, London
- **April 2012** - Writer/Workshop, National Theatre, London
- **April 2012** - Writer/Performer, Arvon Foundation, London
- **May 2012** - Writer/Performer, Houses of Parliament, Westminster, London
- **May 2012** - Writer/Performer, Bang Said the Gun, Manchester.
- **May 2012** - Mini May Midnight Run, London
- **May 2012** - Writer/Performer, Writer's Block, London.
- **May 2012** - The Midnight Run, Royal Society of Arts, London.
- **June 2012** - Judge, National Theatre, London.
- **June 2012** - Writer/Performer, Tate Britain, London.
- **June 2012** - Writer/Performer, Jazz Verse Juke Box, London.
- **June 2012** - Writer/Workshop Leader, Roundhouse, London.
- **June 2012** - Writer/Performer, Hawth, Crawley.
- **June - Aug 2012** - Writer/Performer/Workshop Leader Knight Watch Tour.
  - GREENWICH & DOCKLANDS INTERNATIONAL FEST, London - STUDENT DRAMA INTERNATIONAL FEST, Sheffield - CPT, London - ALMEIDA THEATRE, London - TARA THEATRE, London - ARCOLA THEATRE, London - LAST REFUGE, London - LATITUDE FEST, Southwold, - SOUTHBANK CENTRE, London, STOCKTON INTERNATIONAL RIVERSIDE FEST, Stockton - LIVE THEATRE, Newcastle.

- **June 2012** - Graphic Designer, Frantic Assembly.
- **June 2012** - Writer/Performer/Midnight Run, BBC Worldservice, London.
- **July 2012** - Writer/Performer, Sable, Poetry Parnassus, Southbank Centre, London.
- **July 2012** - Workshop Leader, National Theatre, London.
- **July 2012** - Writer/Performer with Babaa Mal, Southbank Centre, London.
- **July 2012** - Midnight Run for Southbank Centre, London
- **July 2012** - Midnight Run for Southbank Centre, London
- **July 2012** - Writer/Performer/Midnight Run/Panelist, Africa Utopia Southbank Centre, London
- **July 2012** - Writer/Performer, Arvon Foundation, Shropshire.
- **Aug 2012** - Writer/Performer, Talbot Rice Gallery, Edinburgh Arts Festival, Edinburgh.
- **Aug 2012** - Midnight Run Florence, Italy.
- **Aug 2012** - Midnight Run Milan, Italy.
- **Sep 2012** - Writer/Performer, Black Tshirt Collection, Oxford.
- **Oct 2012** - Writer/Performer, 14th Tale, Dublin.
- **Oct 2012** - Writer/Performer, Merge Festival, Tate Modern.
- **Oct 2012** - Writer/Performer, 14th a Tale, Dublin.
- **Oct 2012** - Writer/Performer, Black Tshirt Collection. Newcastle.
- **Oct 2012** - Writer/Performer, Black Tshirt Collection. ARC Stockton.
- **Oct 2012** - Writer/Performer, Black Tshirt Collection. Brighton.
- **Oct 2012** - Writer/Performer, Black Tshirt Collection. Bridport.
- **Nov 2012** - Writer/Performer. 14th Tale. India.
- **Nov 2012** - Writer/Performer, Black Tshirt Collection. Nottingham.
- **Nov 2012** - Writer/Performer, Black Tshirt Collection. Leicester.
- **Nov 2012** - Writer/Performer, Black Tshirt Collection. London.
- **Nov 2012** - Writer/Performer, British Council. Malaysia.
- **Nov 2012** - Writer/Performer, Southbank Centre. London.
- **Nov 2012** - Writer/Performer, Richmond. Lit Fest. London
- **Dec 2012** - Writer/Performer, TEDx Euston. London.
- **Dec 2012** - Writer/Performer. Leicester.
- **Dec 2012** - Writer/Performer. Bradford.
- **Dec 2012** - Writer/Performer. Sheffield.
- **Dec 2012** - Writer/Performer. BBC World. Service.

## 2011

- **January 2011** - Writer/Performer/Workshop Leader, John Keats' House, London.
- **January 2011** - Writer/Performer, Tate Britain, London.
- **March 2011** - Writer/Performer, City and Islington College, London.
- **March 2011** - Writer/Performer, Arts University College, Bournemouth.
- **March 2011** - Writer/Performer, Playhouse, Nottingham.
- **March 2011** - Commission/Writer/Performer, Southbank Centre, London.
- **March 2011** - Writer/Performer, Kings College, London.

- **May 2011** - Writer/Performer, Bristol Old Vic, Bristol.
- **May 2011** - Writer/Performer, Southbank Centre, London.
- **May 2011** - Workshop Leader, Central School of Speech and Drama.
- **May 2011** - Workshop Leader, Arts For Human Rights Festival, London.
- **May 2011** - Writer/Performer, Cromer High, Norfolk.
- **May 2011** - Writer/Performer/Curator, Rap Party, Albany Theatre, London
- **June 2011** - Workshop Leader/Director/Tutor, ARC, Stockton.
- **July 2011** - Workshop Leader, South London Gallery, London.
- **July 2011** - Workshop Leader, If:Book, Poetry Society, London
- **August 2011** - Writer/Performer/Workshop Leader/Residency, Interrogate Festival, London.
- **September 2011** - Writer/Performer, Camp Bestival, Dorset.
- **September 2011** - Writer/Performer, Book Slam, London.
- **October 2011** - Writer/Performer/Workshop Leader, NHEHS, London.
- **October 2011** - Workshop Leader, London.
- **October 2011** - Workshop Leader, Worcester.
- **November 2011** - Writer/Performer, Royal Court, Theatre Local, London.
- **November 2011** - Writer/Performer, Soho Theatre, London.
- **November 2011** - Commission Writer, Magma Poetry, London.
- **November 2011** - Writer/Performer, Goldsmiths University, London.
- **November 2011** - Writer/Performer, London Metropolitan University, London.
- **November 2011** - Writer/Performer, Richmond Literature Festival, London.
- **November 2011** - Writer/Performer, Launch of Shuffle Anthology, London.
- **December 2011** - Writer/Performer, Candy Coated Tour, Bristol.
- **December 2011** - Writer/Performer, Candy Coated Tour, Birmingham.
- **December 2011** - Writer/Performer, Candy Coated Tour, Manchester.
- **December 2011** - Writer/Performer, Candy Coated Tour, Newcastle.
- **December 2011** - Writer/Performer, Candy Coated Tour, Nottingham.
- **December 2011** - Writer/Performer, Candy Coated Tour, Whitstable, Kent.
- **December 2011** - Writer/Performer, Candy Coated Tour, London.
- **December 2011** – Writer, National Theatre, London.
- **December 2011** - Workshop Leader, Albany Theatre, London.

## 2010

- **January 2010** - Writer/Performer, Apples & Snakes, BAC, London.
- **January - December 2010** - Residency/Writer/Performer, Covent Garden.
- **February 2010** - Writer/Performer, Photographers' Gallery, London.
- **February 2010** - Writer/Performer, Tate Modern.
- **February 2010** - Writer/Performer/Workshop Leader, Poetry & Jazz, London.
- **February 2010** - Writer/Performer, '14<sup>th</sup> Tale'. Tour
  - Cottesloe, National Theatre London, Studio 1, Dartington Devon,
  - The University of Bedfordshire Theatre - Bedford, Gulbenkian Theatre, Canterbury.

- **February 2010** - Workshop Leader, Laban, London.
- **February 2010** - Commission, 'The Scapegallow', Tate Modern, London.
- **March 2010** - Commission, British Museum, London.
- **March 2010** - Writer/Workshop Leader, La Retraite, London.
- **April 2010** - Writer/Performer/Presenter, British Museum, London.
- **April 2010** - Writer/Performer, Nu Century Arts, Devon.
- **April 2010** - Workshop Leader, Shelter, London.
- **June 2010** - Writer/Performer, Latitude Festival, Devon.
- **June 2010** - Writer/Performer, Penpals, Spread The Word, London.
- **July 2010** - Workshop Leader, Poetry School, London.
- **August 2010** - Workshop Leader/Tutor, Albany Theatre, London.
- **August 2010** - Writer/Performer/Poetry Judge Roundhouse, London.
- **August 2010** - Workshop Leader, Roundhouse, London.
- **September - November 2010** - Writer/Performer 'Untitled' Tour
  - Bristol Old Vic - Bristol, Soho Theatre - London, REP – Birmingham,
  - Ustinov - Theatre Royal Bath, ARC - Stockton on Tees,
  - The 22<sup>nd</sup> Aldeburgh Poetry Festival - Aldeburgh,
  - Warwick Arts Centre - Coventry, Contact - Manchester,
- **October 2010** - Writer/Performer, Cromer High, Norfolk.
- **December 2010** - Writer/Performer/Curator, Rap Party, Albany Theatre, London.

## 2009

- **January 2009** - Workshop Leader, BAC, London.
- **January 2009** - Writer/Performer, Literature Lounge, London.
- **February 2009** - Workshop Leader/Residency, Eastside Educational Trust, London.
- **February 2009** - Writer/Performer, Finsbury Arts Festival, London.
- **March 2009** - Writer/Performer, 'The 14<sup>th</sup> Tale', Arcola Theatre, London.
- **March 2009** - Workshop Leader, Eastside Educational Trust, London.
- **March 2009** - Workshop Leader/Mentor, Apples and Snakes, Derby.
- **April 2009** - Writer/Performer, London College of Communication, London.
- **April 2009** - Writer/Performer, Insulting Cabaret, London.
- **May 2009** - Writer/Performer, Geoffrey Museum, London.
- **May 2009** - Workshop Leader, York University, York.
- **June 2009** - Writer/Performer, Ealing Literature Festival, London.
- **June - August 2009** - Commission, Open Notebooks, London.
- **July 2009** - Workshop Leader, Eastside Educational Trust, London.
- **July 2009** - Workshop Leader, Graveny School, London.
- **July 2009** - Workshop Leader, Holy Family Tech, London.
- **July 2009** - Writer/Performer, Kingston University, London.
- **July 2009** - Writer/Performer, Spread The Word, London.
- **July 2009** - Writer/Workshop Leader, Southwark Artist Symposium, London.

- **July 2009** - Writer/Performer, Southwark, London.
- **July 2009** - Writer/Performer, Southbank Literature Festival, London.
- **July 2009** - Writer/Performer/Poetry Judge Roundhouse, London.
- **July - September 2009** - Writer/Performer, Camp Bestival, Dorset.
- **August 2009** - Workshop Leader, Shelter, London.
- **August 2009** - Writer/Performer, Summer Sundae, London.
- **August 2009** - Writer/Performer, '14<sup>th</sup> Tale', Baby Grand, Edinburgh Festival. Scotland.
- **September 2009** - Commission, 'Goats Milk & Mathematics', Chris Ofili.
- **September 2009** - Writer/Performer, The Nia Project, Suffolk.
- **September 2009** - Writer/Performer, Aubin & Willis, London.
- **September 2009** - Writer/Performer, Book Slam, London.
- **October 2009** - Writer/Performer, Cromer High, Norfolk.
- **October 2009** - Writer/Performer/Workshop Leader, Highgate School, London.
- **October - November 2009** - Writer/Performer/Workshop Leader 14<sup>th</sup> Tale Tour.
  - ARC - Stockton, Contact - Manchester, Norderm - Norderm Farm Centre for the Arts
  - London Bloomsbury Theatre, Maidenhead, Norden Farm Centre for the Arts
  - Ustinov - Theatre Royal Bath, BAC - London, The Drum – Birmingham,
  - The Albany - Deptford - London, Croydon Clock Tower – London, Merlin Theatre – Frome,
- **November 2009** - Writer/Performer, Onetaste Festival, London.
- **November 2009** - Writer/Performer, Rich Mix, London.
- **December 2009** - Commission, Night Knuckles and Not Writing, Luis Vuitton, London.
- **December 2009** - Workshop Leader, South London Gallery, London.
- **December 2009** - Commission, 'Untitled', Soho Theatre, London.

## 2008

- **February 2008** - Writer/Performer, Roundhouse, London.
- **February 2008** - Writer/Performer, Local for Global Festival.
- **February 2008** - Writer/Performer, Poetry Society, London.
- **February 2008** - Writer/Performer/Workshop Leader, Oaklands School, London.
- **March 2008** - Writer/Performer, WORD! Festival, London.
- **April 2008** - Writer/Performer, Museum of London, London.
- **May 2008** - Workshop Leader, North Walsham School. Norfolk.
- **June 2008** - Workshop Leader, Eastside Educational Trust, London.
- **July 2008** - Writer/Performer, Spread The Word, London.
- **July 2008** - Writer/Performer/Curator, Southbank Centre, London.
- **July 2008** - Workshop Leader, Holy Family Tech, London.
- **July 2008** - Writer/Performer, Poet in the City, London.
- **July 2008** - Writer/Performer/Workshop Leader, Ip Arts Fest, Ipswich.
- **July 2008** - Writer/Workshop Leader, Holy Family Tech, London.
- **July 2008** - Writer/Performer, Poetry Society, London.
- **July - December 2008** - Workshop Leader/Tutor, Royal Opera House, London.

- **July - 2008** - Writer/Performer/Tutor Sedghill School, London.
- **August 2008** - Writer/Performer, Innocent Village Fete Festival, London.
- **August 2008** - Workshop Leader, Hillingdon Youth Offending Team, London.
- **September 2008** - Writer/Workshop Leader, Lillian Baylis School, London.
- **September 2008** - Commission/Writer/Performer, 'The 14<sup>th</sup> Tale' BAC, London.
- **September 2008** - Writer/Performer, East London Dance, London.
- **October 2008** - Writer/Performer, Cromer High, Norfolk.
- **October 2008** - Writer/Performer, National Portrait Gallery, London.
- **November 2008** - Workshop Leader, Blue Elephant Theatre, London.
- **November 2008** - Workshop Leader, Eastside Educational Trust, London.
- **November 2008** - Writer/Performer/ Workshop Leader, Highgate School, London.
- **November 2008** - Writer/Performer, Poet in the City, London.
- **December 2008** - Writer/Performer/Mentor, Apples and Snakes, London.

## 2007

- **February 2007** - Workshop Leader, Creative Partnerships, London.
- **May - June 2007** - Writer/Performer/Workshop Leader - Generation Txt Tour.
  - Great Torrington - Plough Arts Centre, Swindon - Festival of Literature, Stroud - ArtSpace
  - London - Bloomsbury Theatre, Maidenhead - Norden Farm Centre for the Arts
  - Oxford - Oxford Playhouse, Manchester - Contact Theatre, Liverpool - The Pilgrim
  - Durham - Gala Theatre, Newcastle - The Lit & Phil, Birmingham - MAC
  - Norwich - Norwich Arts Centre, Cambridge - JE Wilson Drama Studio
  - Brighton - Earth & Stars
- **March 2007** - Workshop Leader, Albany Theatre, London.
- **October 2007** - Writer/Performer, Islington Council, London.
- **November 2007** - Writer/Performer, Spread The Word, Albany Theatre, London.
- **November 2007**- Writer/Performer/Workshop Leader, Hastings, London.
- **December 2007** - Workshop Leader, North Walsham School. Norfolk.

- **March 2006** - Writer/Performer, Spoke Fest, Stratford Theatre, London.
- **June 2006** - Writer/Performer, Latitude Festival, Devon.
- **June 2006** - Writer/Performer, Spread The Word Conference, London.
- **October 2006** - Writer/Performer, Bringing the House Down, Albany, London.
- **October 2006** - Writer/Performer, Book Slam at Cherry Jam, London.
- **November 2006** - Workshop Leader, Barons Court Library, London.
- **November 2006** - Writer/Performer , Morgan Stanley, Canary Warf, London.

## 2006

- **June 2005** - Commission, Spoken Soul, London.
- **July 2005** - Writer/Performer, Lewisham People's Day, London.
- **October 2005** - Writer/Performer, Bringing the House Down, Albany, London.
- **December 2005** - Panelist, Symposium for Young Writers. Spread the Word, London.

09/04 - Present    FREELANCE GRAPHIC DESIGNER / ARTIST.                          London, The World.  
                               -    Print, Online.  
 ■ Portfolio at phaze05.com

07/05 - Present    Founder - THE MIDNIGHT RUN.                          London, The World.  
                               -    Artistic Director, Curator.

04/02 - 06/02    JJB SPORTS, THE SQUARE, TALLAGHT.                          Dublin  
                               - Sales team and storeroom.  
 ■ Customer service.  
 ■ Store room.  
 ■ General Administration.

09/99 - 09/01    ARTHUR GIBNEY & PARTNERS                          Dublin.  
                               - Office Assistant.  
 ■ Preparing, photocopying and collating architectural plans.  
 ■ General office administration, staff services and team activities organization.

## **SKILLS**

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Proficient in the use: -

- Microsoft Word, Scrivener, Journler, Moleskin, Scrivener.
- Photoshop, Illustrator, InDesign, Dreamweaver.

## **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

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- Reliable and conscientious

- Excellent communicator – verbal, visual, written.
- Able to work well under pressure and take initiative.
- Confident about interacting across all age groups.
- Willing to learn new skills.
- Awarded a Fringe First for Innovative and Outstanding New Writing.

## **TIPS**

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- Invited to Buckingham Palace by The Queen and The Duke of Edinburgh. 05/11
- Panelist - Goldsmith University, London, England. 03/10
- Speaker – Westminster University, London England. 03/09
- Vice President of Student Council. Firhouse College. 08/01 - 06/02
- Student Class Rep, Firhouse Community College. 08/00 - 06/01
- Student Class Rep, Holland Park School. 08/97 - 07/99

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