

JAN NOBLE | POET / WRITER / PERFORMER

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'Sophisticated urban narratives' - NME

Jan Noble is an award winning poet making work in theatre, film and audio formats. His poetry has been recorded by producer Craig Leon at Abbey Road studios and featured on the album 'Cesarians 1' (2009). His ongoing collaboration with composer Donna McKeivitt includes the EP 'This Is What I Wanted To Give You' (2016) and 'Song For A Lar' (2020) a commission from the Kent-Medway Museum Partnership funded by Arts Council England. He has performed at the ICA in London, The Nuyorican Poets Cafe in New York and Teatrino Di Palazzo Grassi in Venice. In 2023 he was awarded the 'Silver Wyvern' at Poetry on the Lake with Carol Ann Duffy.

Works include 'My Name is Swan' (2017) a poetic monologue. Documented in film it won 'Best Narrative' at the International Poetry Film Festival, Los Angeles (2023). Noble was a principal reader in 'Speaking Dante' (2021), a 24 hour reading of the entire Divine Comedy with a cast including Ralph Fiennes and Helen Mirren.

His verse-drama, 'A Masque for Shelley' (2022), marked the 200th anniversary of the death of English romantic poet and was performed at Keats-Shelley House, Rome and at the British Institute, Florence. His one hour, one person poetic odyssey 'Body 115' (2023) opened at The Hope Theatre, Islington to rave reviews and won the London Pub Theatre award for 'Best Innovative Play'.

'Reynard' (2024) a 45-minute narrative poem read by John Nettles was released as a vinyl album and 'A Masque for Byron' (2024) precedes the launch of 'A Masque for Keats' in the summer of 2026. His debut collection of poetry, 'My Name is Swan', will be published in October 2026 by Ink & Ribbon.



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JAN NOBLE | SELECTED WORKS

REYNARD - Read by John Nettles, vinyl album, Genepool Records, 2024
A MASQUE FOR BYRON - Performance written for Keats-Shelley House, 2024
BODY 115 - An epic poem set for the stage by Justin Butcher, 2023
MY NAME IS SWAN - Winner 'Best Narrative' LA Poetry Film Festival, 2023
A MASQUE FOR SHELLEY - The British Institute, Florence, 2022
FEAR - Commissioned by the Deutscher Chor London, 2021
REMEMBER - Commission for Heritage Lab, 2021
SONG FOR A LAR - The Kent-Medway Museum Partnership & ACE, 2020
THIS IS WHAT I WANTED TO GIVE YOU - Vinyl EP, Genepool Records, 2016

PRESS / AWARDS

'Fantastic!' - BBC
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'Sophisticated urban narratives' - NME
'Poetry of strength and impact' - LA STAMPA (Italy)
'Fucking awesome' - METAL HAMMER

of 'BODY 115'

'A poetic masterpiece'



North West End

'A triumph in poetic theatre performance. Utterly captivating'



The Reviews Hub

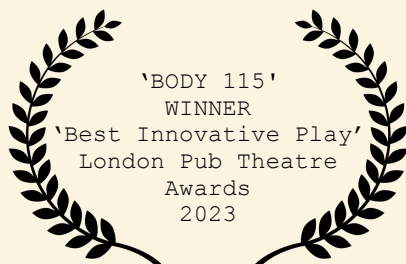
'Jan Noble has gilded tonsils'

London Pub Theatres Magazine

'One hour of literary and poetic brilliance. Not to be missed.'

A Young(ish) Perspective

WINNER: My Name Is Swan 'Best Narrative', Los Angeles International Poetry Film Festival, 2023 **WINNER:** Body 115 'Best Innovative Play', London Pub Theatre Awards, 2023 **WINNER:** 'Silver Wyvern', Poetry on the Lake with Carol Ann Duffy and Imtiaz Dharker, 2023



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CV

- Publication | 'My Name is Swan', Ink & Ribbon, October 2026
- Residency | Keats-Shelley House, Rome 2026
- National theatre tour (Body 115) 2025
- Guest Speaker | British Institute, Florence 2024
- Featured Artist | Keats-Shelley House, Rome 2024
- Award | Silver Wyvern, Poetry on the Lake 2023
- Award | 'Best Narrative' (My Name Is Swan) Winner, Los Angeles International Poetry Film Festival 2023
- Award | 'Best Innovative Play' (Body 115) Winner, London Theatres 2023
- Guest Speaker | UCL 2022
- Guest Reader | Speaking Dante, with Ralph Fiennes 2021
- Commission | Kent Medway Museums 2021
- Commission | Heritage Lab 2020
- Commission | Deutscher Chor 2020
- Featured Artist | Poetry on The Lake, Italy 2020
- Featured Artist | Bowery Poetry Club, New York 2019
- Featured Artist | Teatro Filodrammatici, Milano 2019
- Guest Speaker & Lecturer | Università degli Studi di Milano 2018
- Film Premiere | Curzon Cinema, East End Film Festival, London 2017
- Featured Artist | Poetry on The Lake, with Carol Ann Duffy 2017
- Featured Artist | BBC Radio 2016
- Residency | Myriam Blundell Projects, France 2015
- Residency | East End Film Festival, London 2015
- Featured Artist | Stoke Newington Literary Festival 2013
- Creative Writing Facilitator | WEA 2010
- Creative Writing Tutor | Union Chapel, London 2005 - 2010
- Poetry and Creative Writing Facilitator | Core Arts Hackney 2000 - 2010



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