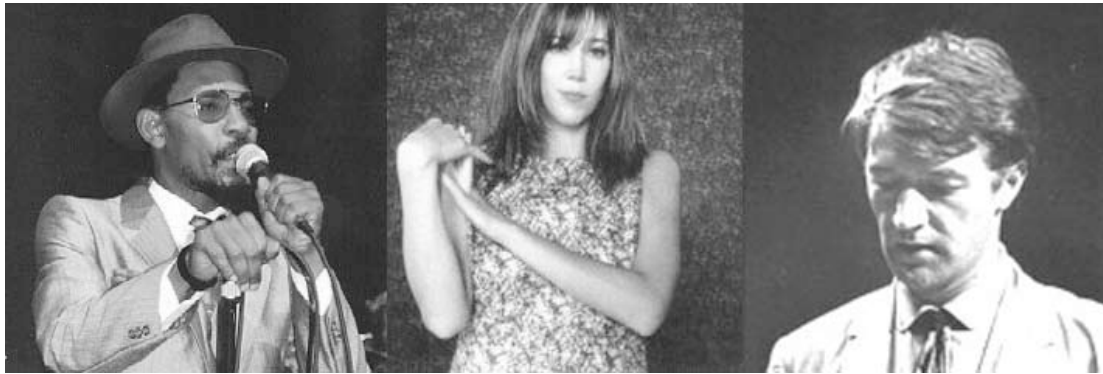


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Poetry Olympics Twenty05

Sunday 25th September



(From left to right) Linton Kwesi Johnson; Beth Orton; and (at the first Poetry Internationale, 1965) Adrian Mitchell

On **Sunday 25th September 2005**, the Royal Albert Hall will host a special anniversary incarnation of the Poetry Olympics. In Summer 1965, the Hall was filled to overflowing for the historic gathering of world voices (filmed as *Wholly Communion*) which celebrated the renaissance of performance poetry and international times.

Forty years on, Poetry Olympics Twenty05 will reunite a few of that evening's bards still at work – **Adrian Mitchell**, **Christopher Logue**, **Spike Hawkins**, **Michael Horovitz** and **Andrei Voznesensky** – alongside other leading lights of today's community of poets, songwriter-singers and musicians, including **Sujata Bhatt**, **Rachel Fuller**, **Jerry Hall**, **John Hegley**, **Linton Kwesi Johnson**, **Fran Landesman**, **Stacy Makishi**, **Grace Nichols**, **Beth Orton**, **Pete Townshend**, and **The William Blake Klezmatrix** (Madeline Solomon, Peter Lemer, Annie Whitehead and MH). Plus many special guests tbc; BBC presenter **James Naughtie** will be one of several MCs.

For Tickets, from £5 (Gallery Concs) to £40 (Grand Tier Boxes), visit www.royalalberthall.com – or telephone **020 7589 8212**.

There will also be a **Jazz Poetry SuperJam** at the 100 Club, 100 Oxford Street, London W1 on National Poetry Day, **Thursday 6th October**, including tributes to the much missed **Dick Heckstall-Smith** and **Jeff Nuttall**. Poets, singers and musos performing include Pete Brown, Adam and Michael Horovitz, Libby Houston, Peter Lemer, Michael Lukes, Molly Parkin, Sophie Parkin and Annie Whitehead. Tickets £10 (£7.50 Members & Concs) at the Door from 7.15pm.

The new website – www.poetryolympics.com – is now up and running and features information about Poetry Olympics festivals and Jazz Poetry SuperJam gigs; New Departures publications, recordings and other arts productions; and poets Michael Horovitz (torchbearer/co-ordinator of New Departures/Poetry Olympics), Adam Horovitz and the late lamented Frances Horovitz.

To find out more about these, and other events, CDs and publications, please send a stamped self-addressed envelopes to:

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