

CHRIS WHITE



Hello! My name's Chris. I'm a poet, performer & producer based in Exeter. I write & make stuff that's silly, surreal & queer. I'm passionate about creating & facilitating accessible & engaging spoken-word, story-telling and theatre.

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Spoken-word I regularly perform feature & headline sets at nights & festivals including Raise the Bar, Tongue Fu, Latitude, Knee Deep, Sofar Sounds & Exeter Pride

Residencies & Commissions I've taken part in a number of residencies, responding to themes & creating work for live & digital audiences, such as Siren Poets (2020) & Boat Poets (2018 & 2021.) I've also worked on several commissions including recently making a short animated film for Exeter City of Literature

Theatre Royal Plymouth Associate Artist (2019) During my time as an associate artist at TRP I developed Moist, Moist, Moist, a show about love, the sea and living with HIV.

Workshop Facilitator I've ran writing workshops at Exeter Library, Exeter Phoenix & TRP and am currently working as a shadow facilitator for Take Art's Word/Play project, delivering weekly poetry sessions for adults with learning disabilities and mental health conditions.

Slam Titles I've won and been a runner-up in a number of slam competitions including winning the Exeter Annual Slam in 2018 and coming third in the National Final of the Roundhouse Poetry Slam 2019

Theatre I've created several full-length spoken-word theatre shows combining poetry with music, comedy and story-telling. I've performed my shows at TRP, Camden People's Theatre, Plymouth Fringe, Salisbury Playhouse, Cambridge Junction and The Edinburgh Fringe

Producing As well as regularly producing my own work, for the past 2 years I've been running the Exeter based spoken-word project Spork! to bring more poets to the city & to feature & support local talent. Since 2018 Spork! has received 2 project grants from Arts Council England, as well as support from Exeter Culture and Exeter City Council. We've partnered up with organisations including Mothers Who Make and Apples & Snakes.