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- **TONGUE IN CHIC NEXT GIG SUNDAY 14 MARCH, 2010**
- **HEADLINER IS TIM CLARE**
- **LAUNCH OF YEARBOOK ANTHOLOGY.**

Described by John Hegley as “a very special poetry Sunday”, Tongue in Chic continues to bring the best Poets it can find to Milton Keynes.

Building on the success on January’s fantastic start to the year, we welcome poet, writer and musician **TIM CLARE** to headline on Sunday 14 March at MADCAP.

In only its second year, Tongue in Chic is now an established event with a growing reputation on the Spoken Word circuit. It has already earned the accolade:

“pound for pound, the best poetry/spoken word event on the Midlands circuit!”

While he would dispute that Milton Keynes is actually in the Midlands, organiser and host, Mark Niel is pleased that the event is making a name for itself.

“It is always nice to hear we’re hitting the spot. Tongue in Chic is an event that has impressed our guests and audience alike. The key to success has been the strength of local writers and performers who have delivered strong material in the Open Mic spots and long may it continue”.

HEADLINE GUESTS

And in Mark's opinion, the guests just get better. **Tim Clare** is a gifted performer who brings energy, humour, brio (and a ukulele) to the stage.

Tim has appeared on BBC2, Radio 1, 2, 4 and 6 and written for the Guardian, the Times and the Independent. Tim is a regular performer at many festivals including Glastonbury, Leeds and Reading, and Latitude. As he gears up for his first ever solo show which he plans to take to Edinburgh you can catch him now and save the train fare!

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OPEN MIC SESSIONS

Open Mic spots are available so you can have your three minutes of fame and Open Mic performers can get tickets at the concession rate.

Host, Mark Niel is no slouch himself, making waves on the national circuit. He has reached two National finals and was recently nominated for the Best Performance by a UK Poet in the annual Farrago Spoken Word Awards.

" A rising star on the UK Poetry scene" Hammer and Tongue

ANTHOLOGY LAUNCH

Tongue in Chic enters the world of publishing with a "Yearbook" Anthology called "Reflections from Mirror City". Local writers who supported the event in 2009 and Guest artists were invited to take part in the project.

For more information on the show or Open Mic opportunities, email Mark Niel at markniel@gmail.com or call 01908 691755 to reserve tickets.

Tickets are £6 / £4 if reserved in advance or £7 / £5 on the door.

Venue: Madcap, Creed Street, Wolverton 7.30pm (Doors Open at 7pm) Sunday 14 March, 2010.

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Notes to editors

- Tongue in Chic is a Voluntary Community Poetry and Spoken Word initiative based in Milton Keynes.
- The purpose is to encourage and engage the local Community in poetry and spoken word and provide a platform to perform.
- Tongue in Chic exists to complement, not compete with all other local writing and poetry initiatives such as Monkey Kettle, Poetry Kapow! Scribal Gatherings etc.
- Tongue in Chic brings Poets from the national scene into Milton Keynes to inspire local writers and to put Milton Keynes on the national map for Poetry and Spoken Word