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- **TONGUE IN CHIC EVENT – ANTHOLOGY LAUNCH**
- **CENTRAL LIBRARY, MILTON KEYNES 12 JUNE, 2010**
- **TITLE IS “REFLECTIONS FROM MIRROR CITY”**

“Reflections from Mirror City” is a new Poetry collection which features the best of the current scene in Milton Keynes. Tongue in Chic is a regular Open Mic Poetry event which acts as a showcase for local writers and brings in professional poets.

This same ethos is carried forward in the book as local scribes are found next to some of the country’s leading poets such as John Hegley, Zena Edwards, AF Harrold and Niall O’Sullivan.

Founder of Tongue in Chic, Mark Niel sees the book as a natural extension of the regular events held at Madcap:

“It’s been a privilege to watch local poets grow in confidence and stature over the last couple of years. The inspirational effect of watching the wonderful guest poets has been plain to see. MK Poets have upped their game and can now be seen regularly performing at different events and festivals all over the country. “Reflections from Mirror City” is both a testament and a showcase for their talents. I’d like to thank Arts Gateway MK for their financial support which has made the anthology a viable project”.

The anthology will be formally launched at the Central Library on 12th June, 2010 by the mayor of Milton Keynes as part of the annual MK Reads Together events, led by Milton Keynes Council, but involving schools, Age Concern and many others. MK Reads Together is a celebration of reading for people of all ages and the theme of this year is “Perform the Word” and there will be readings from local poets and other poetry activities throughout the day.

The adventure won’t stop there as Tongue in Chic is hitting the road over the summer when they take a showcase to the Buxton Fringe Festival from 16 to 18 July.

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Notes to editors

- Tongue in Chic is a Voluntary Community Poetry and Spoken Word initiative based in Milton Keynes. Our purpose is to encourage and engage the local Community in poetry and spoken word and provide a platform to perform.
- 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
- Financial assistance is acknowledged from Arts Gateway MK – Funding and Support For The Arts
- The Book “Reflections from Mirror City” (ISBN) will cost £8
- Copies can be purchased at the launch event at the Library above or after this by contacting Mark Niel (Contact details above).