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LUMINATE and RALLY & BROAD
present

The LUMINATE POETRY SLAM!
and

PERFORMANCE POETRY/SPOKEN WORD WORKSHOP

Calling poetry lovers everywhere. Whether you've been writing for a while and always wanted to perform your work, or are new to the spoken word scene, or have always wondered what a Poetry Slam is all about. This year's event, presented by **Luminate** and **Rally & Broad**, will be held on **Wednesday 7 October** at **8: 00pm** in the renowned **Traverse Theatre, Edinburgh** - this battle of words and poems will see one winner crowned Luminate champion of 2015.

In the lead up to this, we're offering a performance workshop that will look at performance, presence, projection, mic skills and more and are delighted to announce that the workshop will be facilitated by **Anita Govan**.

Anita was born in Stirling and is the Stirling Makar for 2012-2015. Much of her work focuses on performance poetry and she has been deeply involved in poetry slams in Scotland including the annual Inter City School Poetry Slams for 12–14 year-olds. Her first collection, *Jane*, was published by Luath Press in 2005.

The Performance Poetry/Spoken Word workshop on **Saturday 19 September** from **9:00am – 12:00pm** at **The Saltire Society, 22 High St, Edinburgh, EH1 1TF**.

Free! There are 12 free places limited to 12 participants. Please email poetryslam@luminatescotland.org with a short paragraph about your writing history and experience. This workshop is particularly suited for new or older performers.

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Listings Information

The Luminate Poetry Slam

Traverse Theatre, 10 Cambridge Street, Edinburgh, EH1 2ED

Wednesday 7 October 8:00pm –10:30pm

Box Office 0131 228 1404

boxoffice@traverse.co.uk

£4/ £3

Doors open at 7:30pm

Age recommendation 16+

Notes to Editors

The Luminate Poetry Slam returns for the fourth year! One of the highlights of the Slam calendar in Scotland, this battle of words and poems will see one winner crowned Luminate champion of 2015. The slam is open to all, both experienced slam veterans and newcomers alike. Now in a new home at the Traverse Theatre, Edinburgh, and presented by Rally & Broad, Scotland's cabaret of music, words and lyrical delight. To participate in the slam, email poetryslam@luminatescotland.org by Monday 21 September. Successful participants will be informed by Tuesday 22 Sept.

Rally & Broad comprise award winning performance poets Jenny Lindsay (BBC Festival Slam Champion 2012) and Rachel McCrum (winner Callum MacDonald Award 2013). Rally & Broad have been running monthly cabarets of spoken word, music and lyrical delight in Edinburgh since 2012.

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