

HAF – Libraries Suggested Poets

Damian 'O'Vitch' Basher is a writer and musician. He has performed at events & festivals around the UK including The Royal Albert Hall, Edinburgh Fringe, WOMAD and Bestival. He has written commissions for a variety of organisations and runs live literature events and workshops. Damian used to work in healthcare both in the NHS and overseas and has an interest working with creativity & mental health.

<https://www.facebook.com/Damian-OVitch-Words-Music-1736389986584345/>

And there is also Dave Hubble who is an eco-poet which went down really well with the schools. Dave is a regular performer and poetry event organiser based in Hampshire. He mixes autobiography, eco-poetry, humour and observations of everyday life with a satirical edge. He has supported acts such as Francesca Martinez, Jess Green and Rob Auton, performed at numerous events including Brighton Fringe and Winchester Poetry Festival and is a member of the Ghost River collective.

His poems have been widely published (e.g. South and Ink, Sweat & Tears) and anthologised, and he won the 2019 Bread & Roses poetry award. His first full collection was Subduction Zone in 2014, followed by an illustrated pamphlet of Southampton-based poems, Navigational Array, in 2017 (Dense Dave is a regular performer and poetry event organiser based in Hampshire. He mixes autobiography, eco-poetry, humour and observations of everyday life with a satirical edge. He has supported acts such as Francesca Martinez, Jess Green and Rob Auton, performed at numerous events including Brighton Fringe and Winchester Poetry Festival and is a member of the Ghost River collective.

[Dave Hubble Poetry - Home | Facebook](#)

Libraries Suggested Illustrators

Paul Kidby (Terry Pratchett illustrator) - <https://www.paulkidby.com/>

Nick Newberry (author – character creation workshops) - https://www.goodreads.com/author/show/8294059.Nick_Newberry

Simon Chadwick (author & illustrator) - <https://www.ceratopiabooks.co.uk/>

Anne Wan (author & publisher) - <http://anne-wan.com/>

B. Random (author & illustrator) 'Imagination Workshops' – www.b-random.space/try-it-yourself