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Curriculum Vitae

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Book

- *Coracle: Selected poems 1991-2007* (March 2009). 94 poems. Reviewed in:
 - **Indigo** by Shane McCauley
 - **The West Australian** by William Yeomans

Teaching

- 2009-2010: Contemporary Poetry Writing (monthly workshops, privately organised).
- 2010: Contemporary Poetry Writing at Challenger TAFE (offered).
- 2008-2010: Creative Writing - Expand your Boundaries (7-week courses) at Challenger TAFE.
- October 2009 onwards: private adult tutoring in poetry appreciation and creative writing for Chris Fowler.
- September 2009: Poetry Writing (2 hours) at Shoalwater Writers Ink.
- September 2009: Contemporary Poetry (2 x 1 hour) for years 7-8 at Roleystone District High School.
- July 2009: Poetry Writing (1.5 hours) at the Society of Women Writers WA.
- Term 2 2009: Contemporary Creative Writing Extension for year 11-12s at Corpus Christi College.
- May 2009: Contemporary Poetry (2 x 1 hour) for middle school students at Treetops Montessori School.
- April 2009: Contemporary Poetry (1 hour) for upper primary students at Treetops Montessori School.
- September 2008: Sculpting in English (half-day workshop), at KSP Writers Centre.
- July 2008: Sculpting in English (half-day workshop), at the Fellowship of Australian Writers WA.

Editing projects and clients

- Poetry collection by David Barnes (2009)
- Novel, 'Codename DEB', by Graham Simmonds (2009)

Commissions

- Armand Noor. Eulogy and poem for June. (2010)
- Ross Benzie. Poem for Rita. (2009)
- Phillip Ellis, editor of Australian Reader. Article on performing poetry. (2009)
- Graham Lowden. Birthday poem for Lee. (2009)
- Articles, reviews, instructional and technical writing for the Australian Breastfeeding Association (1996-2008) and for computer industry clients, trade journals, associations, conferences (1989-1995).

Event production and MCing

- June 2010, Entopia Wines, Perth. Poetry evening with invited guests.
- April 2010, KSP Writers Centre. National Youth Week 'Heard in the Hills'.
- August 2009, WA Spring Poetry Festival. Festival closing night.
- August 2007, WA Spring Poetry Festival. Emerging Poets Night.
- Perth Poetry Club (weekly, Perth, 2009 onwards). www.perthpoetryclub.com.
- Walking on Water (monthly, Perth, 2008). Guest poet bookings and occasional MCing.

Chapbooks

- *In whatever voice* (August 2007). 26 poems. 150 copies printed, sold out. Reviewed in **Indigo** by Shane McCauley.

Janet Jackson: Words with attitude & soul
Poems Performances Workshops Courses
Creative, technical and corporate writing
Editing

- *Listen* (September 2006). 25 poems. 100 copies printed, sold out.
- *In the church of my skull* (December 2005). 20 poems. 50 copies printed, sold out.

Collected works online

- **Proximity**, www.proximitypoetry.com, is an ongoing self-publishing project which aims to be the definitive collection of my poetry.

Poems published in print magazines and newspapers

- **dotdotdash** (Perth 2009, 2010): 2 poems
- **Thirst** (Perth 2006, 2009): 3 poems
- ECU poetry broadsheet (Perth 2009): 1 poem
- **Cottonmouth** (Perth 2008, 2009): 6 poems
- **Blast** (Canberra 2006, 2007, 2008): 3 poems, 1 verse review
- **The Recessive Type** (Melbourne 2007): 2 poems
- **The Word Is Out** (Perth 2006, 2007): 3 poems
- **The Mozzie** (Queensland 2006): 4 poems
- **Marginata** (Perth 2004): 1 poem
- **Word-Thirst** (Perth, 2003-2005): 9 poems
- **Wasteland** (Australia, 1993): 1 poem
- **Heartland** (Brisbane 1992): 1 poem
- **The West Australian** (1993): 2 poems
- **aversion** (Perth 1992): 2 poems
- **Mattoid** (Deakin University 1991): 1 poem
- **Raven** (Perth 1991): 1 poem

Poems published in PDF magazines

- **The Broadkill Review** (USA 2008): 7 poems

Poems published in print anthologies

- *The Weighing of the Heart* (Sunline Press, Perth 2007): 1 poem
- *Poets Corner* (Frances Macaulay Forde, Perth 2006): 2 poems
- *An Endless Afternoon* (Lioness Publications, Perth 2000): 7 poems
- *Demented Bliss* (Central Coast Poetry Society, Queensland 1990): 1 poem

Poems published in Internet magazines and anthologies

- **Australian Reader** (Australia 2009): 2 poems
- **Creatrix** (WA Poets Inc, Perth, 2008-9): 11 poems
- **Another Lost Shark** (Queensland 2009): 3 poems plus interview
- **Masthead** (Australia 2008): 1 poem
- **nthposition** (UK 2007, 2008): 3 poems
- **Hamilton Stone Review** (US 2005): 2 poems
- **Malleable Jangle** (Australia 2004): 3 poems
- **Numbat** (Perth 2007-2009): 12 poems (by invitation)
- **WA Poets Inc Fresh Poetry** (Perth 2007): 3 poems
- **KSP Writers Centre Newsletter** (Perth 2007): 3 poems (by invitation)
- **Pixel Papers** (Perth 2003-2007): 20 poems
- **Fieralingue** (l'Instituto Pedagogico della Provincia di Bolzano, Italy): 11 poems (by invitation)

Guest performances, readings, author talks, panel discussions

- May 2010: Fringe Gallery.
- April 2010: **Australian Poetry Centre International Poetry Festival (Goolwa, SA).**
- 19 December 2009: Perth Poetry Club.
- 19 December 2009: Perth Cultural Centre.
- 8 November 2009: Darlington Arts Festival.
- 17 October 2009: Perth Cultural Centre.
- 1 October 2009: Voicebox.
- 15 September 2009: Society of Women Writers WA.
- 13 September 2009: Supporting Tomas Ford.
- 4 September 2009: dotdotdash launch party, Perth.

- August 2009. **Queensland Poetry Festival.**
- 25 July 2009: Dan Poets, Melbourne.
- 23 July 2009: Supporting Ben Pobjie, Melbourne.
- 21 July 2009: The Spinning Room, Melbourne.
- 20 July 2009: Passionate Tongues, Melbourne.
- 9 July 2009: Beat Route, Adelaide.
- 8 July 2009: Higher Ground, Adelaide.
- 7 July 2009: Friendly Street Poets, Adelaide.
- 8 May 2009. Lunchlines, Edith Cowan University.
- 16 April 2009. Cottonmouth.
- 29 March 2009. Fringe Gallery.
- 8 February 2009. KSP Writers Centre.
- 14 December 2008. Missing Link Festival. Guest poet and musician; Second place in the poetry slam.
- 27 November 2008, Spearwood Library. Funded by writingWA's **Poets in Libraries** programme.
- 2 November 2008. Darlington Arts Festival.
- August/September 2008. **WA Spring Poetry Festival.** Opening Party, Openface, Walking on Water.
- August 2008. Passionate Tongues, as part of the **Overload Poetry Festival**, Melbourne.
- 1 May 2008. Voicebox.
- 10 April 2008. Cottonmouth.
- 7 March 2008. De Ness @ Scots, Fremantle.
- October 2007. WA Spring Poetry Festival.
- 9 September 2007. KSP Writers Centre.
- 3 September 2007. WOW (Walking on Water).
- August 2007. Invited guest of **Overload Poetry Festival**, Melbourne.
- 21 July 2007. Poets Corner.
- 22 June 2007. **Joint winner of the poetry slam** at 'Stand and Deliver' poetry night, Perth.
- 5 February 2007. WOW (Walking on Water).
- September 2006. Featured poet of the **WA Spring Poetry Festival.**
- Between 2004 and 2006 I did guest performances at several of Perth's regular readings - Voicebox, OpenMouth and Poets Corner - and was a featured reader at various events at KSP Writers Centre.
- In June 2005 **I won a slam in a Dublin bar.**

Broadcasts

- 4 March 2010. RTR-FM, Perth. Interview and poem.
- 3 March 2010. 6PR, Perth. Interview and poem.
- August 2009. 3CR Spoken Word, Melbourne. Interview and poems.
- July 2009. North-West FM, Melbourne. Interview and poems.
- 26 March 2009. RTR-FM, Perth. Interview and poem.
- 4 February 2009. RTR-FM (Perth). On-air poetry slam.
- 6 June 2008. 6EBA, Perth. Interview and poems.
- My readings were broadcast on 6UVS-FM (Perth) in 1990 and on RTR-FM (Perth) in 1992.

Competitions

- Poem commended in the Society of Women Writers Bronze Quill Award, 1993.

Public displays

- OOTA Poetry Wall, Fremantle, August 2009: 2 poems
- PoetTrees, Murray St Mall, Perth, October 2007: 3 poems
- KSP Writers Centre, Perth, September 2007: 4 poems
- Poet Trees, Murray St Mall, Perth, September 2006: 2 poems
- Poet Trees, Murray St Mall, Perth, September 2005: 2 poems
- Greenmount Library, Perth, September 2005: 1 poem
- Alexander Library, Perth, September 2005: 2 poems
- Alexander Library, Perth, September 2004: 1 poem

Other projects

- Convenor of The Line Mine (WA poetry and spoken word online community)
- Perth poetry gig guide at www.proximitypoetry.com

Member of

- Fellowship of Australian Writers WA
- KSP and Poets@KSP writing group.
- WA Poets Inc
- Poets Union (Sydney)
- Australian Poetry Centre (Melbourne)
- Out Of The Asylum (OOTA) Writers Group
- poetryetc Internet group (started by John Kinsella; includes Andrew Burke and many other well-known Australian, UK, US, Canadian and international poets)

Voluntary work -- Australian Breastfeeding Association (1996-2008)

- I wrote many articles for the national magazine and local newsletters.
- Some of the positions I held:
 - Bulletin Editor
 - Leadership positions: Group Leader, Regional Representative
 - Community Educator (speaking in schools and mothers groups; organising community events)
 - Training positions: Local Assessor (assessing assignments), Trainee Doula (mentoring trainee counsellors)
 - Breastfeeding Counsellor (counselling and mentoring mothers, facilitating group discussions, organising and presenting continuing education activities)
 - Sales Coordinator, Librarian, Treasurer, Breast Pump Hiring Officer
- Qualifications: Community Educator (2000), Breastfeeding Counsellor (2000), Local Assessor (2006)

Academic qualification

- Bachelor of Science with First Class Honours (Computer Science), The University of Western Australia, 1987.

Employment and voluntary professional work

- I worked in the computer industry from 1985 to 1996 as a programmer, systems administrator, technical writer and lecturer. I was involved in voluntary professional associations, editing newsletters, writing articles, organising conferences and presenting papers and workshops.
- From 1994 to 1996 I had my own computer consulting business.
- Since March 2008 I have worked part-time for Morrissey Malcolm Direct Marketing as a charity telemarketer.

Some of my other interests

- Music. I play guitar, sing, set poetry to music and write songs.
- Reading. Poetry, novels, biographies. Non-fiction, especially cosmology and philosophy.