

JAMES TURNER

Poet and retired unqualified library assistant, lives in Exeter. Exeter Slam Champion (performance poetry) 2014/15. Exeter Poetry Prize Express & Echo Award, 1997. Photographs weeds, public notices and other things that catch his eye. Likes walking, philosophy & classical music. Favourite authors, J.Krishnamurti, Dostoyevsky, John Cowper Powys. Favourite poets, Wm. Shakespeare, John Milton, John Keats, Philip Larkin.

COLLECTIONS

A Chance of Love: Sonnets of Two Decades, Oversteps Books, 2015.

Forgeries, Original Plus, 2002

Secret Rooms: Poems that Challenge Domestic Violence, by Tess Biddington, Julie-ann Rowell, Dana Littlepage Smith, James Turner, Pebble in a Pool Press, 2009

ANTHOLOGIES etc

Listening to the Birth of Crystals, an Anthology to Benefit Deaf Children, ed. Alan Corkish & Andrew Taylor, The Peoples Poet, 2003

Creative Poetry Writing, by Jane Spiro (*Resource Books for Teachers series*), Oxford University Press, 2004.

MAGAZINES

Poems in magazines including *The Rialto*, *The Frogmore Papers*, *The Journal*, *Headlock*, *Iota*, *Otter*, *Psychopoetica*, *Saw*

CHILDREN OF THE DRONE

Musical improvisation group, includes poetry by James Turner. Freely downloadable music at:

<http://www.secretsofcreation.com/COTD/>

ON LINE

This website is devoted mostly to Shakespeare's sonnets, but its editor asked me to submit a few poems, and they can be found on this site by scrolling down a little:

<http://www.shakespeares-sonnets.com/Archive/James01.htm>