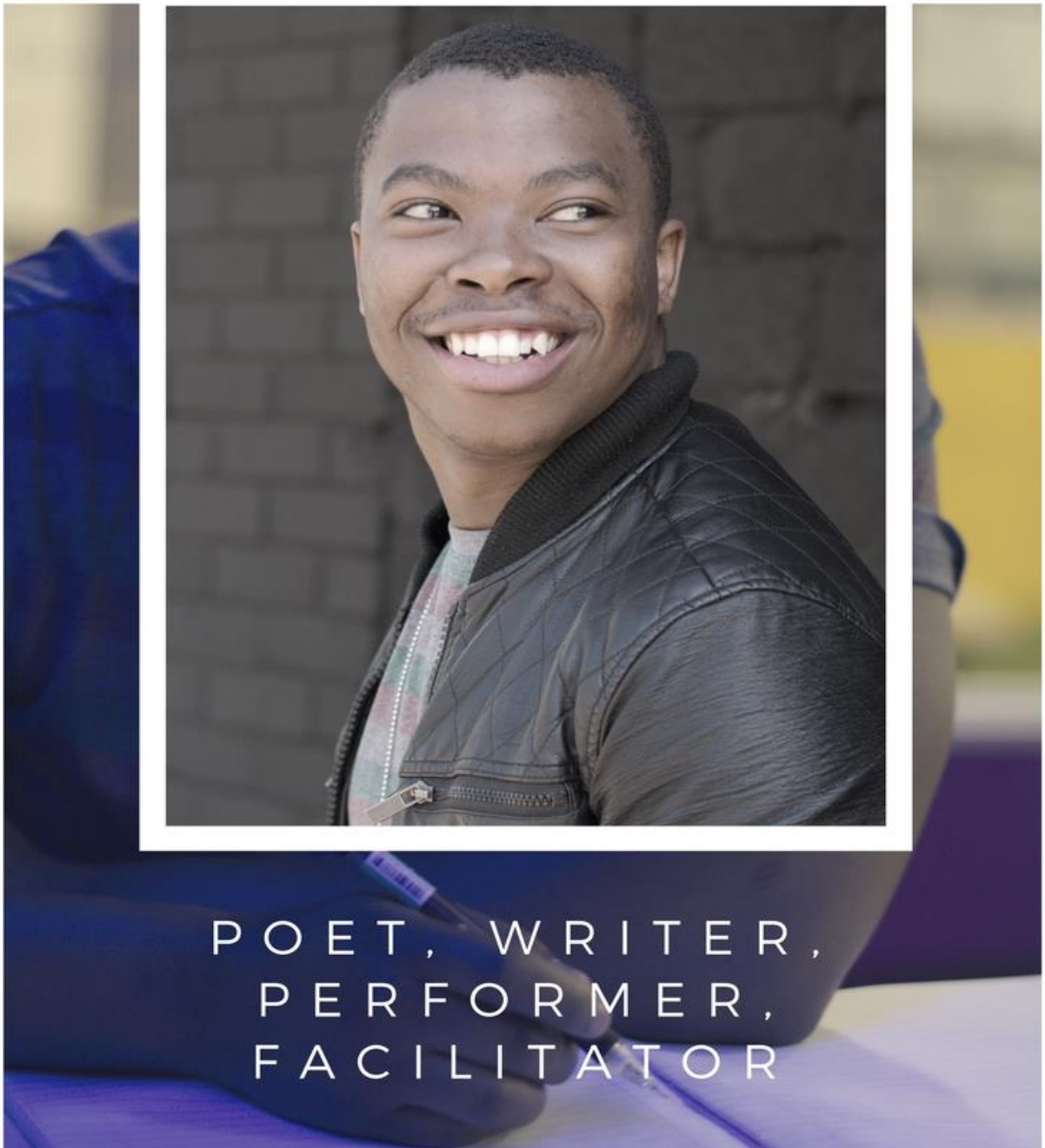


PROFILE

Tshepo Molefe



POET, WRITER,
PERFORMER,
FACILITATOR

Biography

Tshepo Molefe is a Johannesburg based multi-award winning performance poet, writer, spoken word artist and junior copywriter. Having only started performing in 2015, Molefe has won the May 2016 edition of Current State of Poetry Open Slam and February 2017 edition of WordnSound Poetry League. Currently, Molefe is the winner of 2017 leg of WordnSound Poetry League and the first annual Say Something poetry competition in Pretoria. Molefe's work been featured in the 7th edition of the Sol Paatje anthology and the online Pan African poetry website, Badilisha Poetry and has been long-listed for the 7th edition of Sol Paatje European Union Award. Molefe is also 2017 Drama for Life Lover plus Another Gauteng Regional Coordinator.

Past Publications include being featured on naanelemoya.wordpress.com and the Pan African Online Poets Platform, badilishapoetry.com which features the likes of Lebo Mashile, Koleka Putuma and Richard "Quaz" Roodt

Interviews and Features:

1. <http://www.poetrypotion.com/poet-profile-tshepo-molefe/>
2. https://soundcloud.com/powerfm987/tshepo-molefe_artist-profile-poetry
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4. <https://www.brandsouthafrica.com/people-culture/the-mash-up-radio-host-learns-from-listeners>
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6. <https://naanelemoya.wordpress.com/2016/05/20/cspslam-ch-5/>

Online Work Features:

1. <http://badilishapoetry.com/tshepo-blackhole/>
2. <https://www.oddmag.co/2018/05/01/sunday-mornings/>
3. <https://naanelemoya.wordpress.com/2016/05/20/winning-poets-winning-poem-lost-kings-tshepo-molefe/>

Past Achievements include

1. Longlisted in the 7th edition of the Sol Paatje Poetry Award
2. Published in the 7th edition of the Sol Paatje Poetry anthology
3. Winner of 2017 WordnSound Open Mic Poetry League
4. Winner of the first annual Say Something Poetry Slam (2017)
5. Winner of the May 2016 Current State of Poetry Open Slam
6. Finalist in the 2015 Drama for Life Lover + Another Poetry Slam
7. Featured in the May 2018 edition of online magazine, Odd Mag

Past Poetry Facilitations and Organization include

1. 2017 Drama for Life Lover plus Another Gauteng Regional Coordinator
2. Facilitating poetry workshops at the University of the Witwatersrand (Feb 2016 – Oct 2016)
3. Organizing the Pop Art Poetry for the Red my Lips Campaign Across the Wits Campus. (2016)
4. Organizing the SA Theatre Season Poetry and Music Open Session (2016)

Past Performance include:

1. Main headliner of the 4th episode of the 2nd season of World of Words, 29th of April 2018
2. Main headliner of the third episode of WordnSound Poetry League, 3rd of March 2018
3. Headliner of Ballardry Poetry Showcase, 18th of November 2017
4. Being a featured poet at Power FM Artist Profile on the 7th and the 28th of September 2017
5. Being a featured poet at SAFM The Mash up with Naledi Moleo on the 23rd of June 2017
6. One of the headliners of Out There sessions at the Orbit, alongside Xabiso Vili and Poet Flow Wellington. Hosted by Myesha Jenkins
7. One of the main acts of National Poetry Day Festival on the 30th of October 2016
8. One of the main acts at Beautiful Scary things that happened on the 14th of May at the Joburg Theatre along side Dr. Raphael d'Abdon, Dr. Sarah Godsell, Dr. Thandokuhle Siphukwazi Mngqibisa
9. One of the main acts of When Poetry hits the Fan directed by Bobby Gordon, American Poet from California, with Busisiwe Mahlangu, Katleho Shoro, Hamish Neill and Jacqlyne J. Titus
10. Opening act of the Drama for Life 2016 SA Theatre Season and 2016 Drama For Life Sex Actually Festival
11. Resident Poet on the Thugz of Comedy production
12. Main Act on the September 2015 and May 2016 Ram Jam Soul Sunday Shows
13. Performed on the Big Debate Season 7 Episode 2 on ETV
14. Performed on Shift on SABC1
15. Performed on the first CSP Woman Slam at the Vatiswa Intenation Poetry Festival on August 2016
16. Main Act of June 16 Poets organized by Leon Erasmus with performer such as Quaz Roodt, Myesha Jenkins, Dr. Raphael d'Abdon, Katleho Shoro, Busisiwe Mahlangu, Sarah Godsell, etc.
17. Main MC and Performer at the Colours Poetry and Music show on the 28th of April 2018
18. MC at Dr. Sarah Godsell *Seaweed* sky Book Launch at Joburg Theatre
19. MC and Performer at the Drama for Life *March Against Sexual Assault* discussion and poetry room
20. Main Act of Ram Jam All Soul'd Out organized by Ram Jam Ent

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