

## VER POETS OPEN 2015

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**First Prize:** Afflatus in my Home Town by **Geraldine Clarkson**

**Second Prize:** Witness Statement by **Miles Salter**

**Third Prize:** Trapped by **Julie-Ann Rowell**

**Commended:** Recluse by **Catherine Edmunds**  
Metamorphosis by **Kathy Zwick**  
The Glass Eye Fitter by **Keith Chandler**  
Spaceboy by **M.A.Fiddes**  
Mantelpiece by **Sue Lincoln**  
Juba's Birdman by **Margaret Eddershaw**

### Shortlisted:

Tallow by <b>Helen Overell</b>	Grace Notes by <b>André Mangeot</b>
Fable from a South Lanarkshire Scrapyard by <b>Tom Bryan</b>	Passion by <b>André Mangeot</b>
Eclipsed by <b>Catherine Edmunds</b>	Patience by <b>Owen Lewis</b>
Truth Suspended by <b>David King</b>	Shorthand by <b>Caroline Price</b>
Mooring by <b>Kerry Darbishire</b>	The Little Dancer... by <b>Denni Turp</b>
Realisation Dawns by <b>Jonathan Mayman</b>	I Redecorate My House ... by <b>Yvonne Reddick</b>
The King of Dystopia by <b>Adrian Boddy</b>	Dreich by <b>Grahaeme Barrasford Young</b>
Aniconism by <b>Adrian Boddy</b>	Museum of the Revolution by <b>Alastair Paterson</b>
Kneading by <b>Gaia Holmes</b>	Another Return by <b>Kay Hathway</b>
The Cemetery Brotherhood by <b>Michael Henry</b>	Uncle B by <b>Joan Michelson</b>
The Mouth Organist by <b>Michael Henry</b>	Via by <b>David Van-Cauter</b>
Deliverance by <b>Margaret Gleave</b>	Larry Jackson's Final Attempt by <b>Miles Salter</b>
A Year of Leaves is Wasted by <b>Margaret Gleave</b>	Board by <b>Annemarie Mullan</b>
Doxology by <b>Wendy Klein</b>	Bookshop – Osterley by <b>Simon Rees-Roberts</b>
From Derwent by <b>Liz Venn</b>	
The Monitoring of Punches by <b>Char March</b>	
Ardnamurchan Dragonfly by <b>Char March</b>	

Our competition anthology, **The Ver Prize 2015**, includes all of the above poems and Anne-Marie Fyfe's report. Copies can be ordered by sending a cheque for £4 (plus £1 p&p), made payable to Ver Poets, to 181 Sandridge Road, St Albans, Herts, AL1 4AH.

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