



Canterbury Festival Poet of the Year 2023

Thursday 5 October 2023 at 7.30pm BST via Zoom

Programme

**Welcome, Introduction and Summary of the Judging Process presented by
Luigi Marchini**

Reading by Poet of the Year 2022, Greta Ross

The Shortlisted Poems presented by Clifford Liles

Linda Burnett: dot to dot

Chris Campbell: Shove Your 3-for-2 Flyer

Maggie Davison: Elephant Era

Martin Cathcart Fröden: Grain Orientation

Christopher Horton: The Prospective Density of Snow

Athar C Pavis: The Virtual

The Shortlisted Poems presented by Greta Ross

Lucy Dixcart: Syzygy

Josh Ekroy: Life, Liberty and the Pursuit of Happiness

Mara Adamitz Scrupe: & incidentally

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Gary Studley: akin

Gary Studley: April 20th, 1986: Midnight, Rain and Fifty-minute Wait

Interval

The Shortlisted Poems presented by Luigi Marchini

Sarah Ang: Helen, remembering

Chris Campbell: You Cry to Your Folks That I Forced You to Carry Goalposts

Sara Davis: Dorchester Court, Herne Hill

Mara Adamitz Scrupe: & for all the world by

Derek Sellen: the tailor

Maxine Sinclair: The Oxymoron

Announcement of Winners: The Poet of the Year, Second and Third Prizes

Poet of the Year First Prize generously donated by Prof Geralyn Pinto.

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