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A popular **American slam poet** who wowed school students in Norfolk last year is set to return to the county on **26 February**. Norfolk County Council is currently arranging **another series of performances at local high schools** and is expecting a lot of interest.

Arts in Education Partnership Coordinator Anna McCarthy said:

"Ainsley went down a storm last time, particularly with the boys. I would love to book him into more schools this time. High schools who are interested should contact me on 01603 433276 or e-mail: anna.mccarthy@norfolk.gov.uk.

The visit is not just limited to schools. The rest of us will get a chance to hear Ainsley in action when he performs at the **Millennium Library** in **Norwich** on 14 March at 8pm. The reading is 'open' which means that there is **no charge** and people **don't have to book**.

Ainsley Burrows...

is an internationally renowned
performance poet from Brooklyn, New York,
but born in Jamaica.

He has had two collections of poetry published, 'Black angels with sky blue feathers' and 'The woman who isn't was', and one CD, 'Cataclysm' which combines the spoken word with his own music. He is currently developing his follow up CD, 'Autopilot'.

His unique style encompasses elements of jazz, soul, beat and hiphop. He commands an audience with ease and demonstrates an uncanny ability to read an audience as well as he reads his poetry.

He has toured extensively throughout America, as well as performing regularly in mainland Europe and the UK. On his last visit to the UK he performed in three local high schools, to groups of 180 students whose ages ranged from 13-16.