

HYWEL ap RHEINALLT, or HYWEL RHEINALLT (fl. c. 1471-1494), a poet

Name: Hywel ap Rheinallt
Gender: Male
Occupation: poet
Area of activity: Poetry
Author: Ray Looker

whose work is well represented in existing manuscripts. It includes a large number of poems to members of various landed families of North Wales, including those of **Ynys y Maengwyn**, Coetmor, **Clenennau**, and **Emral**; he wrote a poem in praise of **Dafydd ab Owain**, abbot of Strata Marcella. A number of his love poems and his bardic controversy with **Lewys Môn** are also preserved; a reference is made to him by **Llywelyn ap Gutun** in that poet's ymryson with **Lewys Môn** (**Llanstephan MS 122** (620)). No details regarding his life are known, but he was obviously a native of some part of North Wales.

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