

## HYWEL BANGOR (fl. 1540), an itinerant bard

**Name:** Hywel Bangor  
**Gender:** Male  
**Occupation:** an itinerant bard  
**Area of activity:** Poetry  
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He may have been the person described as Huw Bangor (fl. 1560-1600) in *The Cambrian Biography*. Some eighteen *englynion* by Hywel Bangor have survived, and these identify him with Maelor, so that he probably took his bardic name from Bangor Iscoed (Bangor on Dee). He composed a series of *englynion* on the change of sheriffs for Flintshire in 1540. The date 1577 is entered against one of his *englynion* in [Llanstephan MS 41](#), but the relationship between the date and the text is not clear. If [Peniarth MS 267](#) (54) is correct in attributing to him an *englyn* to the son of [Dafydd ab Edmwnd](#), when he had sold his lands except the mere of Hanmer, he was composing much earlier in the century, for Edward ap Dafydd was disposing of his property between 1486 and 1515. The first part of [Peniarth MS 179](#) was written by Huw Bangor or Hugh ap William Bangor in 1537, but he may have been a member of the Bangor family, the pedigree of which is given by [Lewis Dwnn](#) (ii, 252).

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### Sources

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