

HYWEL CILAN (fl. c. the end of the 15th century), a poet

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

of whose work many examples remain in manuscript. It appears that he was a native of Edeirnion; **Cwrtmawr MS 454B** (140) states that he was from Llandderfel; **Owen Jones** gives him as the owner of Llawr y Cilan in Llandrillo - thus providing a possible explanation for the poet's name. The large majority of his poems are addressed to members of various landed families of North Wales, including Presaddfed, Llwydiarth (Anglesey), Deuddwr, **Rhug**, Moelyrch, and **Rhiwlas**.

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