



RHISIERDYN, a Gwynedd poet of the latter half of the 14th century

Name: Rhisierdyn
Gender: Male
Occupation: poet
Area of activity: Poetry
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His canon has not been fixed, and there are textual confusions. In the *B.B.C.S.*, vol. i, part 2, 123-33, [Dr. Henry Lewis](#) published a study of the poems attributed to him in the *R. B. H. Poetry* and in [The Myvyrian Archaology of Wales](#) . Rhisierdyn sang panegyric *awdlau* to Gronwy (Fychan) ap Tudur (died 1382; see [Ednyfed Fychan](#)) and to Myfanwy his wife, and an elegiac *awdl* to [Sir Hywel y Fwyall](#). The *awdl* to the abbot of Aberconwy which [The Myvyrian Archaology of Wales](#)  attributes to [Casnodyn](#) is given in N.L.W. MS. 4973C 260b to Rhisierdyn, and Pen. MS. 118 (140) attributes to Rhisierdyn the pious ode ' y Duw uchaf y Kyfarchaf ... ' which is ascribed in *R. B. H. Poetry* (col. 1251) to [Bleddyn Ddu](#). Many manuscripts (e.g. Bodl. 1 and 2, Pen. 90 and 100) include a panegyric *cywydd* to Hwlcyn ap Howel ap Ierwerth Ddu of Presaddfed, Anglesey ('Cad ddirwy keidw ddwyrodd'), which they attribute to Rhisierdyn. A pilgrimage by Hwlcyn to Jerusalem is mentioned in this poem.

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Further reading

Nerys Ann Jones and Erwain Haf Rheinallt (eds.), *Gwaith Sefnyn, Rhisierdyn, Gruffudd Fychan Ap Gruffud Ab Ednyfed a Llywarch Bentwrch* (Aberystwyth 1995)

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