

## OWAIN GWYNEDD (fl. c. 1550-1590), a poet

**Name:** Owain Gwynedd  
**Parent:** Ieuan o Garno  
**Gender:** Male  
**Occupation:** poet  
**Area of activity:** Eisteddfod; Poetry  
**Author:** Ray Looker

He graduated as pencerdd cerdd dafod at the Caerwys eisteddfod of 1568 ([Peniarth MS 121](#) (215), [Peniarth MS 132](#) (60), [Peniarth MS 144](#) (268)). No details are known concerning his life, but a large number of his poems remain in manuscripts. Most of these are addressed to various members of landed families in North Wales, including Lewys Owain of Dolgellau and his sons, [Siôn Owain Fychan](#) of Llwydiarth, [Siôn Salbri](#) of Llyweni, Dafydd Llwyd ap Wiliam of [Peniarth](#), and Dafydd Llwyd ap Huw ab Ifan of [Ynys y Maengwyn](#). He composed an elegy to the poet ' Sir ' Owain ap Gwilym, and poems of *ymryson*, or controversy, to [William Llŷn](#), and to [Hugh Arwystl](#); he also wrote religious poems, a poem on the snow, and a number of various *englynion*, which include one composed by him when on his sick bed.

### Author

**Ray Looker**

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