

## SEGUN LEE-FRENCH

Nigerian Mancunian **Segun** is a singer, poet, producer/composer, playwright, film-maker & club promoter, founder member of Manchester's **Speakeasy People** poetry collective. As singer for cult triphop band, **Earthling**, **Segun** has performed on **MTV, BBC1, VH1 & Canal 5**. As a poet and playwright, **Segun's** work has been commissioned for broadcast on **BBC Radio 3** and **Radio Manchester**. **Segun's** debut solo show, **Bro 9** at **Contact Theatre**, won **Best Fringe Performer & Best Design** in the prestigious **Manchester Evening News Theatre Awards**.

In autumn 2005, Segun was nominated for the **Arts Foundation Performance Poetry** award. He is currently writing "**Palm Wine & Stout**" for the **Theatre Writing Partnership** & a musical, "**Venus & the Killer Bees**" commissioned by **Contact Theatre**, Manchester & **Eclipse Theatre**.

Segun's first poetry collection, **Praise Songs for Aliens** was published by **Suitcase Press** in October 2009.

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