

## **BBC archive of Burns Poems recitations**

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/robertburns/>

BBC Scotland has completed a huge online audio archive of the works of the national bard, Robert Burns.

The website was originally launched to mark the 250th anniversary of the bard's birth

Three years in the making, [The Complete Works of Robert Burns](#) features more than 700 poems recorded by some of Scotland's best-known figures.

Contributors include Scotland's new national poet Liz Lochhead, Robbie Coltrane, Robert Carlyle and Brian Cox.

A total of 66 readers contributed recordings, from the short to the epic.

They include Prince Charles giving a rendition of two poems - My Heart's In The Highlands and My Luve Is Like A Red, Red Rose - and First Minister Alex Salmond reading A Man's A Man For A' That.

Most of the website's pages also feature information about each work's history and meaning, written by a range of Burns experts.

Jeff Zycinski, head of radio at BBC Scotland, said: "Burns still resonates hugely more than two centuries after he penned over 700 poems and songs both here in Scotland and beyond.

Unfortunately in North America we cannot access the poetry

