

Frank John

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by
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The Dutch publisher Paul Breman, who published John in his influential Heritage series of black poets, recalls that John was "probably the gentlest creature I have ever known...He would go around town reading his poems on street corners, selling broadsides and small booklets of them, printed and illustrated by friends...it was great when you heard it, in his very fetching voice" (*The Heritage Series of Black Poetry, 1962-1975: A Research Compendium*) [BTC#423214]

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