



# KILLER Poet

The double life of Norman Porter



2008 1 x 77 / 60 min Color & B/W: HD 16:9 English

**A Northern Light Production**

**INTL PREMIERE AT HOTDOCS 2008,**  
selected for Cinequest, Big Sky, SF  
Indiefest, Boston Intl and Stranger than  
Fiction series at the Gene Siskel

**WINNER Best Documentary at Boston  
Intl and Newburyport Film festivals**

**Producer/ Director:**  
**Susan Gray**

**Executive Producer:**  
**Bestor Cram**

[www.killerpoetfilm.com](http://www.killerpoetfilm.com)

Killer Poet tells the story of Norman Porter, a convicted double murderer from Massachusetts who served 25 years in prison before escaping to Chicago. There he spent the next two decades living as a poet/intellectual by the name of JJ Jameson - an elaborately crafted false identity - until he was apprehended in 2005, thanks to a relentless police investigation and a compromising trail left by his audacious persona. He had just been named Chicago's "Poet of the Month" when the law finally caught up with him.

Throughout his prison years, Porter had transformed himself in the eyes of authorities from a convicted killer to a trusted prison leader at the heart of the prison reform movement. Today, Porter is back in a maximum-security penitentiary and will likely die behind bars.

To trace the story, the film interweaves varying perspectives on an elusive and enigmatic persona, from the eccentric characters living in the heart of Chicago's beatnik-artist community, to the victims' embittered families in Boston and the vigilant officers of the Violent Fugitive Apprehension Unit and their twenty year hunt for a killer.

**LOUISE ROSEN LTD**

16 High Street, Brunswick, Maine 04011

Tel: 207 725 8215

Fax: 207 725 8057

E-mail: [LRosenLtd@aol.com](mailto:LRosenLtd@aol.com)

[www.louiserosenltd.com](http://www.louiserosenltd.com)