

## ELLIS, HUW (1714 - 1774), harpist

**Name:** Huw Ellis  
**Date of birth:** 1714  
**Date of death:** 1774  
**Gender:** Male  
**Occupation:** harpist  
**Area of activity:** Music; Performing Arts  
**Author:** Robert David Griffith

Born at Trawsfynydd, Meirionnydd. A skilled player of the 'telyn deir-res' (triple harp), he was considered the best Welsh folk-song player of his time. He met his death by drowning in the river Dysynni, near Towyn, Meirionnydd, 5 August 1774, and was buried in Towyn churchyard.

### Author

**Robert David Griffith**, (1877 - 1958)

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