



**British
playwright
Harold Pinter
has won the
2005 Nobel
Prize for
literature.**

Pinter told reporters:
"I've been writing plays
for about fifty years and

I'm also pretty politically engaged. I am both deeply engaged in art and deeply engaged in politics and sometimes those two meet and sometimes they don't. It's all going to be very interesting."

Pinter, widely regarded as the UK's greatest living playwright, is well-known for his left-wing political views.

A critic of US and UK foreign policy, he has voiced opposition on a number of issues including the bombing of Afghanistan in 2001.

The prize announcement was made by the permanent secretary of the Swedish academy, Horace Engdahl, in Stockholm.

Harold Pinter, who celebrated his 75th birthday this week, was a vocal critic of the policies of Margaret Thatcher and Ronald Reagan. He was also known for campaigning for human rights.

Four of his plays:

The Room

The Caretaker

The Homecoming

The Betrayal

