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A.D.D. @ The Dog - Rentokil

The Dog Theatre presents

Rentokil

by Barry Dickins

Directed by Peta Coy

Performed by Chris Palframan

Opening Wednesday 21st September 2011

The Dog Theatre @ Footscray Town Hall

Rentokil is a murderer's ballad. An ode to thoughtful assassination. An odyssey to bury in Olinda. Can there be redemption, or is Jesus just another hit? Are our children to become good Christians or good shots? Die for Art? You may as well. A dark and rabid comedy.

Rentokil is a catholic guilt play in the same key as 'The Christian Brother' by Ron Blair except to say it is more than myth and mayhem because it happens to be true.

A furious assassin and genius at assault is Australia's most wanted lapsed catholic hit-man.

Can he find redemption or is Jesus just another hit?

Why does the media adore violence and why is violence so acceptable?

Are our children to become Christians

or good shots?

This is obviously Rentokil's dilemma.

The play's aim is to show the option of The Messiah over poor marksmanship.

Can murder be funny? Can ruination and destruction become a gentle form of comedic insinuation and instruction?

A teaser to titillation, good times and drug fueled, fatal intercourse.

Murder, mayhem, revenge, love, death,

ice-cream fucking and killing.

The life and death of a hit-man for everyman and woman.

The toll of bell. Hiss of steam. Cold metal click hot lead and big hole in head, heart and a beat.

A very little second away from annihilation, penetration and oblivion.

Nothing. Deep dark never ending nothingness.

And that's just his eighth birthday party.

Barry Dickins ability to draw from the lower depths the humour, energy, crass nature of gutter language, absolutely terrifying image and turn it into something beautiful, profound and extremely FUNNNEEEEE.

He is legendary and so much a part of Melbourne that that the two are inseparable.

This will be the first time The Dog Theatre (Best Venue - Fringe and Green Room 2009) will run it's Fringe season @ Footscray Town Hall in partnership with City of Maribyrnong

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VENUE

The Dog Theatre at Footscray Town Hall
Cnr Napier & Hyde St
Footscray, Victoria 3011

DATES: 21 - 24 Sept

28 Sept

30 Sept - 1 Oct

5 Oct

and 7 Oct

TIME: 6.45pm 22, 24, 30 Sept, 8.00pm 21, 28 Sept, 5 Oct, 9.15pm 23 Sept, 1, 7 Oct (60min)

TICKETS

Full: \$25.00

Concession: \$20.00

Preview: \$15.00

Group: \$15.00

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