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Bathway Theatre Company Woyzeck Marie Power. Class. Sex. Guilt. Peas?

A classic revisited: dropped off in the Falklands War, British Private Woyzeck is struggling to provide for his catholic wife and his baby. He agrees to go on a paid medical trial that



and his baby. He agrees to go on a paid medical trial that causes him to slowly lose his mind. You know the story. But aren't we forgetting about someone here? Marie is a young and caring mother, and the pressures of poverty and war are getting to her. Soon she realises Woyzeck isn't as dreamy as she thought he was. Her baby-daddy will go on to join the ranks of Bible John, Raoul Moat and Elliot Rodger.

The original Woyzeck was left unfinished at Georg Büchner's death in 1837. Under the direction of Meghan Loughran, this premiere production transports audiences into the 1980s, and centers Woyzeck's victim Marie, reflected in the rebalanced title of this production, Woyzeck Marie. Aside from big hair and neon glam, it explores a timeless revolutionary spirit, and approaches the subjects of class struggle, Thatcherite politics, religion, and misogyny through a distinctly contemporary lens.

Following a two-year Covid pause, this is the Bathway Theatre Company's third Edinburgh Festival Fringe production after Blue Heart (2018) by Caryl Churchhill and We Want You to Watch (2019) by Alice Birch and Rash Dash.

"It's well worth seeking out this ambitious production – it really is a little gem." – Susan Singfield from Bouquets and Brick Bats on Blue Heart

The company comprises cast and crew from the BA Hons Drama and an array of other creative courses of the University of Greenwich. It's based at Bathway Theatre, a dedicated drama facility in south-east London where students learn not only acting, but how to create their own theatre companies, work backstage across all departments, and apply their own artistic ideas to performance. Their work is proudly supported by the University of Greenwich.

Listings information

Venue:theSpace on the MileDates:15 - 27 August (not 21st)Time:18:35 (0hr50)Ticket prices:£10 / concessions £7.50 / students £6Fringe box office:0131 226 0000 / www.edfringe.com

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