## Castle Theatre Company **Toll** by Charlie Keable



## 'I thought they wanted soldiers...' Four long years later, his naivety turns to regret. This is not a story of heroism

Experience the remarkable true account of the WW1 solider Oliver Clement Soanes, or Toll to his friends. From plucky recruit to shell-shocked survivor, this is a true story of the horrors of war unlike any other.

In the play, all of the lines delivered by Soanes have been lifted verbatim from real audio recordings, and his Great-grandson Charlie Keable, based on his official war record, has written every other aspect of the play. From being forced to go over the top on countless occasions, to a heartfelt reunion with his family. This play deals with the every day realities of the World War One and the impact it had upon one ordinary person's life. With some scenes being performed using physical theatre, and with originally composed music, **Toll** offers a truly authentic, and realistic insight into the lives of one of the millions of people we must never forget.

After highly successful tours of the U.K and North America last year, **Castle Theatre Company** works to showcase some of the best talent from Durham University to the rest of the world.

'Shook the audience' Palatinate

'Touching' First Night, community.dur.ac.uk/dst/firstnight

'Evokes a sense of defiant hope' TheBubble.org.uk

## www.castletheatrecompany.com

## Credits

Toll: Adam Simpson Peter: Jasper Millard Mother: Corinna Harrison Father: Harry Twining

Writer: Charlie Keable Director: Charlie Keable Producer: Adam Simpson Co-Producer: Charlie Keable Executive Producer/President of Company: Owen Sparkes Music composed by Alex Mackinder and performed by Rebecca Brookes and Charlie Keable

 Listings Information

 Venue
 C, Adam House, Chambers Street, EH1 1HR, venue 34

 Dates
 2-15 Aug

 Time
 14:45 (1h15)

 Ticket prices
 £8.50-£10.50 / concessions £6.50-£8.50 / under 18s £4.50-£6.50

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