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The Rep Theatre Company **Equus** by Peter Shaffer



Definitely not horseplay!

The most shocking play of its day and still powerful forty years later, **Equus** uses an act of extreme violence to explore faith, insanity and how the drive of materialism can destroy our capacity for pain and passion.

Teenager Alan Strang blinds six horses with a metal spike and is sentenced to psychiatric treatment. The piece leads audience to question, is it patient or psychiatrist whose life is being laid bare, in this exciting, exhilarating, and extremely thought provoking play. **Equus** is in turns, funny, disturbing, intellectual, haunting and utterly compelling.

This respected company returns to the Edinburgh Festival Fringe for the tenth time, with a revival of its first show – performed in 2000 – which enjoyed five star reviews and standing ovations. The performing company is supported by an impressive group of professionals including experienced, successful theatre/TV/film directors and actors. Past members of the company include, Ben Cavey (*Tiger Aspect*), Tom Harper (*The Scouting Book for Boys, This is England '86, The Borrowers*), Tom Daley (*Tiger House*), Fiona McLaren (*The Wright Stuff*), Nickolas Burns (*Nathan Barley*), Tom Chambers (*Holby City*), and George Rainsford (*Waking the Dead, Call the Midwife*).

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