



Resolve Productions
Present

MARROW
Assembly Rooms – Front Room
4-27 August 2022 (not 15)

“I’m a faggot. So what?” Recovering from a vicious hate-inspired physical beating, a gay artist takes a euphoric journey through his memories, as he tries to reassemble his shattered body and mind, in a work that is beautiful, visceral, sensual, blazingly honest and darkly humorous.

MARROW, written by **Brian Quirk**, directed by **Melissa Firlit** and delivered in an **electrifying performance by Craig MacArthur Dolezel**, received its European premiere with a 10-day run at the 2019 Edinburgh Festival Fringe, when it was hailed by **Scots Gay** as a ‘*hidden jewel of the Fringe*’, while **Broadway Baby** called it ‘*solo theatre on a big topic at its finest*’.

An early workshop production of the script in collaboration with the Spectrum Dance Company led to Dolezel winning the **Gypsy Rose Award for Best Actor** by the Seattle Critics Group and Seattle Theater Writers, while the **Seattle Times** called it ‘*a wild tour de force*’.

MARROW is an urgent and timely plea for mutual tolerance and respect regardless of sexual orientation and gender identity. As director Melissa Firlit comments, “Hopefully, people come away from this show contemplating the destructive nature of hate and possessing a renewed appreciation for everyone’s right to exist and to love.”

- In 2019, **USA Today** reported that the number of hate crimes based on sexual orientation had risen each year from 2014 to 2017 in the USA. The majority of these crimes targeted gay men.
- Figures published by the **Crown Office and Procurator Fiscal Service** indicated that recorded sexual orientation crime has risen steadily year on year (apart from 2014/15) since the relevant legislation came into force in 2010.
- According to official **Home Office** statistics, sexual orientation hate crimes in England and Wales increased by seven per cent and transgender identity hate crimes by three per cent in the year 2020/21.

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LISTING INFORMATION

Venue: Assembly Rooms, Front Room, George Street, EH2 2LR

Time: 18.25 **Running Time:** 55mins

Dates: 4 – 27 August. Preview 4 August. No show Mon 15 August.

Bookings: assemblyfestival.com, 0131 623 3030 or Assembly box offices at Assembly Hall and Assembly

Tickets: Preview £7.50; 5-9, 12-14, 19-21, 26-27 August £13(£12); 10-11, 16-18, 22-25 August £12 (£11)

Bookings: assemblyfestival.com, 0131 623 3030 or Assembly box offices at Assembly Hall and Assembly Roxy, Assembly George Square, Assembly Checkpoint and Assembly Rooms

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