

Professional UK Touring Theatre

CurtainUp! showcases some of the very best new and emerging UK touring theatre, often straight from the Ediburgh Festival Fringe. From new writing to cabaret, spoken word, dance and great family shows will appeal to people of all ages and interests, particularly young people and those new to theatre.

There are three *CurtainUp!* seasons each year: January/February; April/May and September/October

Tickets cost £10 (£5 for under 25's)

*****JANUARY/FEBRUARY 2014***** BUY 2 TICKETS GET 1 <u>FREE</u>

This season choose any three *CurtainUp!* shows and pay for just £20 (£10 for under 25's!)

Please see overleaf for details of eligible performances

Date	Time	Running Time	Performance	Age Suitability	Category	Post-show Q&A?	Free Group Workshop?	Additional Workshops Available?	Arts Award Supporter Event?	Status
24/01/2014	14:00 20:00	60 mins	Blackout	12+	Contemporary Theatre – New Writing	Y	Y	Y	N	On Sale
28/01/2014	19:00	60 mins	The Novice Detective	13+	Contemporary Theatre - Auto Biographical	Y	N	Y	Y	On Sale
04/02/2014	19:30	60 mins	Love and Sex	13+	Contemporary Dance	Y	Ν	Y	N	On Sale
06/02/2014	19:30	60 mins	33	11+	Contemporary Theatre - Devised	Y	N	Y	N	On Sale
13/02/2014 14/02/2014	19:30	75 mins	Blink	14+	Contemporary Theatre – New Writing	Y	N	Y	Y (14 th)	On Sale
17/02/2014	11:00 14:00	50 mins	Blast Off	4+	Children's & Family Theatre	N	N	N	Y	On Sale
18/02/2014	10:00 12:00 14:00	60 mins	The Pillow Maker	1+	Children's & Family Theatre	N	N	N	N	On Sale
26/02/2014	19:30	75 mins	Hopelessly Devoted	14+	Contemporary Theatre – New Writing	Y	N	Y	Y	On Sale
28/02/2014	19:30	70 mins	Amateur Girl	16+	Contemporary Theatre – New Writing	Y	N	Y	N	On Sale
07/04/2014 08/04/2014	19:30 19:30	70 mins	SHAME	15+	Contemporary Theatre – Hip Hop / Spoken Word	Y	Y	Y	N	On Sale
24/04/2014 25/04/2014	19:30 19:30	60 mins	Chalk Farm	14+	Contemporary Theatre – New Writing	Y	Y	Y	N	On Sale
20/05/2014	19:30	60 mins	BitchBoxer		Contemporary Theatre – New Writing					Programmed
			Frequently Asked Questions		Contemporary Theatre - Devised					Programmed

Not sure which to choose? Don't worry, we've put together some packages to help you find a combination you will enjoy!

Contemporary UK Theatre Package

A selection of three gripping new plays combining everything that is great about UK theatre. Told from the perspective of young people/adults, each of these three tales will have you glued to your seat as they take you on a journey to the edge of society and back. This package is a whistle stop tour through physical theatre, music in productions and the integration of new digital media. This is beautifully produced, urgent and adrenalin fuelled theatre at its best.

	AGE	PERFORMANCE DATE	START	DESCRIPTION
BLACKOUT	14+	24/01/2014	14:00 20:00	A small room, bright lights, bright walls, a metal door. Imagine you wake up in a jail cell and you don't know how you got there. A one-man story about violence, loss and heroism.
AMATEUR GIRL	16+	28/02/2014	19:30	Based on real-life stories, Amateur Girl is a hard-hitting, poignant yet wryly amusing play about the reality behind the fantasy business. Staring Lucy Speed (Eastenders, The Bill)
CHALK FARM	14+	24/04/2014 25/04/2014	19:30 19:30	Through a mother's desire for safety and acceptance, and a young boy's need to be recognised to be part of something, Chalk Farm offers an uncompromising and ultimately heartbreaking examination of a fractured society.

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Family Theatre Package

Theatre is best shared! That's why we have selected three great shows that are perfect for families to enjoy together! Explore the magical cardboard world of 'The Pillow Maker', 'Blast off!' on a musical adventure in space or super sleuth with the 'Novice Detective'. Our family theatre package will have the whole family laughing, cheering and in some cases, taking part in the adventure as it unfolds! Family Theatre is perfect when combined with yummy treats, cakes, shakes and popcorn from our very own Locomotion Coffee.

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THE NOVICE DETECTIVE	13+	28/01/2014	19:00	Sophie's father is missing A crumpled photo. A mysterious phone call. A 90's pop album with encrypted lyrics Could these clues and her detective know-how lead her to her father?
BLAST OFF!	4+	17/02/2014	11:00 14:00	The Noisy Animals are THE biggest band in the world. They are about to blast off into outer space on a mission to find their brand new sound for their latest hit album
THE PILLOW MAKER	1+	18/02/2014	10:00 12:00 14:00	Taking place inside a cosy cardboard set, this is a highly participatory, musical and sensory theatre adventure with heart, created for 1-5 year olds and their families.

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Dance, Choreography and Physical Theatre Package

Our Dance, Choreography and Movement package introduces new work by some of the hottest emerging companies working in contemporary dance, hip hop and physical theatre. Each performance is inspired by real life so it really 'packs a punch'. From issues of sex and sexuality amongst young people to 33 Chilean Minors trapped underground or those shameful memories from growing up. These poignant, often funny and always smart performances showcase the very best choreography and add in a pinch of original music, spoken word and animation for good measure!

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LOVE AND SEX	13+	04/02/2014	19:30	Facing up to issues of sex, love and consent with young people, this inspired show exposes myths, challenges perceptions, entertains and informs. This is a contemporary dance performance.
33	11+	06/02/2014	19:30	33 tells the tale of the thirty three men stuck half a mile under the ground, the journalists in the desert above them and the world that watched them from afar. This performance includes physical theatre, live music and choreography.
SHAME	15+	07/04/2014 08/04/2014	19:30 19:30	What's The Worst Thing You Ever Did? Everyone has something they are ashamed of. A moment in their lives when they knew they were doing the wrong thing. A bad choice, a wasted chance, that thing you wish you hadn't done. That thing you will always regret. John Berkavitch explores the things that made him the man he is today. This performance includes spoken word, breakdance and animation.

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New Writing Theatre Package

Explosive New Writing is at the heart of *CurtainUp* and February has it all! Multi award -winning Phillip Porter's love story 'Blink', spoken word sensation Kate Tempest's 'Hopelessly and Snuffbox theatre's critically acclaimed 'Bitchboxer'. Each show comes following a critically acclaimed run at the Edinburgh Festival Fringe and boast numerous awards between them so get ready for 'world-class' British drama in Norwich's most intimate venue!

	AGE	PERFORMANCE DATE	START	DESCRIPTION
BLINK	14+	13/02/2014 14/02/2014	19:30 19:30	Against the lonely backdrop of London, the worlds of two shy individuals collide, and a charming, delicate and darkly funny story unfolds before your eyes.
HOPELESSLY DEVOTED	14+	26/02/2014	19:30	Chess is in prison. Facing a lengthy sentence, her cell mate becomes her soulmate. But when Serena is given parole, Chess faces total isolation. Hope comes in the form of a music producer looking for a reason to love music again. She finds a powerful voice in Chess. But to harness her talent, Chess must first face her past.
BITCHBOXER	14+	20/05/2014	19:30	London, 2012. Women will step into the Olympic boxing ring for the very first time. And it's in Stratford. Down the road. As Chloe trains for the fight of her life, she is left winded by two life-changing events. In a man's world, can she prove she's still worth the title?

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