Edinburgh Festival Fringe : Fiona Kennedy presents The Kist

Singer, broadcaster and producer, Fiona Kennedy, is staging her new production, The Kist at this year's Fringe. Kennedy is however well accustomed to the stage, as she has been singing and performing since she was very young along with her family starting out on Grampian TV, and winning many awards along the way for their style of programming.

The Edinburgh show promises to be a platform for Scotland's most gifted singers and musicians to showcase their talent, and for Scotland's young performers an opportunity to gain experience and exposure, and to help them fulfil their ambitions.

The Kist is a musical celebration of our heritage through song and story and embraces all genres, from traditional folk, bluegrass, gospel, rock to American country. The word kist means a chest or wherever the Scots travelled they took their sturdy wooden kists with them packed tight with the treasured belongings from home often on their way round the world to start a new life.

In addition to its talented young cast, it features many special guests, including Grammy award-winning Nashvillebased Marcus Hummon.

Our Thomas Haywood interviewed the internationally renowned singer, Fiona Kennedy, about her forthcoming show:-

Fiona Kennedy talking about The Kist (mp3)

The Kist will be performed at the international Edinburgh

Fringe Festival 2011 from 4th -21st August in the New Town Theatre. Tickets are £15 (£7.50). There will be 18 performances.

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