## Edinburgh Festival Fringe — I (Honestly) Love You

 I (Honestly) Love You, C aquila, 1 to 13 August 5:05pm, £8.50-£10.50 (concessions £6.50-£8.50)

Nominated Best Play in Western Australia, <u>this comedy gem</u> follows two people inflicted with a truth-telling disease, as they meet and fall in love.

From award-winning Western Australian playwright, Damon Lockwood, comes a tale of love gained, love lost, and love thrown around a bit.

Lloyd Rees and Belle Ashton are the two reluctant protagonists who are burdened with the truth telling disease Vitiositas Veritas, which only allows them to tell the truth at all times. Like most relationships, everything seems to be going (sort of) well enough to start with: there's a hesitant first date, a disappointing initial sexual encounter and an unfortunate meeting with Belle's parents.

Somehow the two lovers navigate these intimate difficulties enough to look each other in the eyes and say 'I love you' which, unbeknown to either of them, precipitates the next stage of the vitiositas veritas disease. Having honestly uttered those three words they are now able to lie to each other but every time they do so a week is knocked off their lives. The choice is simple: vicious truth and life, or honest lies and death.

I (Honestly) Love You has performed two sold-out seasons in Australia and departs Edinburgh to perform at the New York City Fringe. The show was nominated for two awards in the Equity Guild Awards 2012 and was nominated for four Blue Room awards including Judge's Choice and Member's Choice.