Edinburgh Festival Fringe 2015: The Hogwallops

■ A UK based multinational company that creates a unique blend of circus and theatre is to make its Fringe debut at The Underbelly Circus Hub.

The Hogwallops by Lost in Translation Circus is slapstick fun for all the family from a multi skilled circus and physical theatre troupe. Thrillingly spectacular circus skills blend seamlessly with physical comedy, clowning, juggling, theatrical storytelling and slapstick in this colourful, loud and funny dramatisation of the domestic adventures of a chaotic, dysfunctional family of misfits.

Inspired by Roahl Dahl's The Misfits and Ettora Scola's film Bruti, Sporchi e Cattivi (Ugly, Dirty and Bad), this is a treat for the eyes and ears. The Hogwallops are a vulgar, grotesque family who constantly bicker, scheme and play practical jokes on each other. Their crazy home is more like an adventure playground where the ordinary inevitably becomes extraordinary! Everyday activities take on extreme forms, simple tasks like hanging out the washing become a clothes fight of swinging, flying bodies and fabric. Dinner time becomes a teasing game of animalistic juggling and a cooking lesson takes on dangerous proportions as household furniture stacks to the roof in a precariously balanced fashion.

Fast rising UK based contemporary circus company Lost in Translation display heart stopping virtuosic skilful aerial and floor acrobatics and a specially composed live score contributes to the mix creating a dysfunctional, quirky and comic family show in the true sense. With thrills, gasps, laughs and drama there's plenty for both adults and children to enjoy. Lost in Translation are UK based company but with a multicultural membership and strong links to Belgium, Italy and Australia featuring performers originating from Italy, France, Ireland and Australia. Founded by Circus Space graduates in 2006 as an acrobatic duo, the company has toured widely throughout the UK and Europe ever since. Transformed into a full-blown ensemble in 2011 the company moved to Norfolk in 2013 to become company in residence with Seachange Arts where they run the circus education program.

Now they are especially keen to share their vision of a world of fun, acrobatics and laughter with everyone!

The Hogwallops Underbelly Circus Hub, The Lafayette Venue 360 7-29 Aug (not 17, 24), 11:25am (60 mins) Tickets here <u>http://www.underbelly.co.uk</u>

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