## Edinburgh Festival Fringe 2017 – Dumbstruck

Dumbstruck, a world premiere by multi-award-winning performer Sam Goodburn, tells the story of an endearing young man taking his first steps into adulthood. This exciting lo-fi circus show features offbeat comedy, world class unicycling, juggling, knife throwing and impeccable feats with sliced bread.

Directed by renowned clown Fraser Hooper, Dumbstruck showcases the amazing skills of Underbelly's Circus Maximus Winner – a competition held at the Udderbelly Festival on London's South Bank to find an exciting new circus performer.

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Dumbstruck takes place 'the morning after' as Sam creeps around a girl's apartment, collecting his discarded clothes from the night before; as he wonders what on earth he's doing, he learns that his introverted nerdiness can actually be joyous, empowering and just a little bit charming.

Underbelly director Ed Bartlam comments, Underbelly are delighted to welcome Circus Maximus winner Sam Goodburn to the Fringe this year. Circus Maximus was created to discover and nurture homegrown circus talent and to give young performers a chance to showcase their work on an international platform at the world's biggest arts festival. Sam was chosen for his outstanding skills and creativity in the 2015 Circus Maximus competition and we are very much looking forward to his Edinburgh debut. Director Fraser Hooper comments; "I'm thrilled to be working with Sam Goodburn on this new exciting project. His unique skill set combined with his ease at making audiences laugh is such a great recipe for creating a wonderful circus comedy show."

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Tickets <u>here</u>