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DIARY OF A MADMAN & DISCORDS

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A tenth anniversary double-bill

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Fail Better celebrate their tenth anniversary with a unique evening of theatre for Warwick Arts Centre. Their adaptation of Gogol's Diary of a Madman was first seen in London where it was acclaimed as the 'Best Fringe Show' of 2007 and last seen at the Edinburgh Festival Fringe 2009 where it was met with outstanding reviews. In this celebrated one-man show, a Russian civil servant moves from obsession to psychosis, while two little dogs write letters to each other. This production will be seen alongside Fail Better's latest devised piece, Discords - a new work which freely adapts Shakespeare's tragedies in a theatrical language inspired by the work of Samuel Beckett. A highly innovative staging sees disembodied heads, emerging from a cabinet of curiosities to relive their 'rooted sorrow.'

Diary of a Madman:

'A powerful and moving piece of theatre'

Three Weeks

'strikingly inventive . . . truly gripping'

Fest

'a truly spectacular solo performance'

Broadway Baby

' . . . chokingly plausible'

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Directed by Jonathan Heron
Designed by Nomi Everall
Performed by Jonathan Broke
and The Student Ensemble

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Tickets: £10.50 (£8.50)
Students/ Under 18s: £5.00
40p per ticket booking fees apply

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