

The Divine Oscar

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Full Description:

A one man tribute show to Oscar Wilde.

The Divine Oscar proved a great hit when it opened to a packed audience at the prestigious Kelvin Grove Club in Cape Town, March 2009, and has since proved a hit at a number of corporate dinners.

Peter Gilchrist has produced a stunning one man show lasting 40 minutes, in which he brings to the evening so much of the humour and a little of the tragedy that was the life of this flawed genius, not only his works but his life and loves.

How many of us realise he was head-over heels in love with the notorious Lily Langtry, sleeping on her doorstep night after night in the snow!

He was married very happily, with two children before he fell hopelessly for Bosie, Lord Alfred Douglas. He had been gay since teenage but now became infamous and spent two years in Reading gaol for his homosexuality - behaviour far from unusual in so many other quarters!

Through most of his earlier years he sailed through Dublin particularly, London and New York hugely in demand for his charm and wit - a major social player. He was a writer of genius with an intense eye for social frailties, especially among the upper classes.

Peter's show introduces us to Wilde the man, but with great humour of his own, to some the funniest and best observe of Wilde's plays. Peter plays seven-different characters, bringing to life scenes from *The Importance of being Earnest* and *An Ideal Husband*. Many of us remember the lovely moment when Earnest admits he was born in a handbag! The show had to stop for several moments when Peter introduced them to Lady Bracknell in all her majestic glory! Lord Goring and his manservant Phipps share some hilarious dialogue and there is a lovely moment between Wilde and his very Irish prison warden, Tom Martin.

The show is remarkably easy to stage, ideal for a club or corporate dinner. A one man show, his stage manager, a lectern, a chair, preferably a Victorian lamp and an occasional table, a bowl of carnations! That's all!



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