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Wordplay

By Nick May & Jess Bryson

Aug 12-26 @ 19:15 (excluding Mondays)

Bourbon Bar (Venue 333), 24a Frederick St

Performed as part of the Edinburgh Festival Fringe (as part of PBH's Free Fringe)

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August 2017 - ‘Why is it okay to say words sometimes and not others?’ – This is the main question that is asked in WORDPLAY, a dark comedy about a ‘fag & a hag’ at this years Edinburgh Festival Fringe.

No words are off limits between friends. Cut between their work environment and their debate, Jess and Nick, using dark humour (and a lot of naughty words) push the boundaries of their friendship as they question appropriate and appropriated word use within the dynamics of society and each other. Premiered at Toronto's Gay Play Day 2014 and remounted at the International Dublin Gay Theatre Festival in 2016. ‘Funny and thought-provoking, with mercurial dialogue and a sharp pop culture sensibility’ (Cate McKim, GayPlayDay). Nominated for Best New Writing (IDGTF). **** (GCN.ie).

The show was written by Nick May & Jess Bryson, and is based loosely on conversations they’ve shared about queer culture, feminism and the power of words.

Nick May is the Artistic Director of Theatre Topikós and is an out gay actor that passionately works within LGBT film and theatre. In 2007 Nick starred in the LGBT film, *The Houseboy*, released by TLA Entertainment. Jess Bryson is an improviser and actor. She is a graduate of The Second City Conservatory program and plays an active role in Toronto’s improv community; she is the Academy Director of The Bad Dog Theatre Company.

The show is directed by Griffin McInnes, co-founder and Artistic Director of Wit’s End Theatre. Most recently he served as Emerging Artist in Residency with Nova Scotia’s 2b Theatre Company.

You’ll think twice about the words that you use after seeing WORDPLAY.