



CABARET

Sam Wills

Presents

The Boy with Tape on His Face

Shoes sing, empty dresses dance and electrical tape blossoms into roses. *The Boy With Tape On his Face* creates a world of possibilities where the only certainty is laughter.

Winner of the prestigious Billy T James Award for Comedy (2005) and three times winner of the NZ Comedy Guild award for Best Show, comedian Sam Wills makes his Australian debut at the 2008 Melbourne International Comedy Festival with his newest and most intriguing comic creation.

Wordless, expressionless, Wills conjures the heart-rending poignancy of Buster Keaton and mingles it with mischief, piercing wit and triumphantly realised postmodern references that leave the audience enraptured.

Drawing on a heritage that includes silent film, mime, magic, puppetry, Motown and the films of Patrick Swayze, *The Boy With Tape On His Face* is a pensive, curious soul approaching every object and audience member as a potential friend - or plaything. Rolf Harris lives in his rubbish bin. One of his shoes is Stevie Wonder. Volunteers discover what its like to be in a *Playstation* game, to be Demi Moore, a circus lion or merely to sit on the dock of the bay, watching the tide roll away. The Boy would whistle along, but he can't - he's got tape on his face.

"A Jim Henson-created Buster Keaton Muppet...this very likeable mad scientist of Vaudevillian pranks brings us a tightly tailored and memorable show."

- Theatreview NZ

"Wills delivered the most experimental act of the Comedy festival with resounding success...Clever, alternative and genuinely entertaining."

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This show is part of Comedy @ Trades www.comedyatrades.com.au

LISTING INFORMATION

Venue: Comedy @ Trades, Trades Hall, Cnr Lygon and Victoria Streets, Carlton
Room: The New Ballroom
Dates: 19th March – 13th April (no Sunday or Mondays)
Tickets: \$22.00 Full, \$18.00 Concession
Times: 8:30 PM
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