SPIRITUALISM AND VENTRILOQUISM TOGETHER IN EDINBURGH AT LAST!



By Jud Charlton

Actor Jud Charlton, 33, always wanted to be a renegade Time Lord, but they didn't like that at the JobCentre. So he asked the Acme Construction Company what they could do about it, the answer is coming to the Edinburgh festival as the unstoppable show 'Who is Bobby Lopez'.

In the greatest **PSI** experiment of the 21st century the astonishing Bobby Lopez will be summoned to Edinburgh to talk with Charlton about his communications with the disembodied spirit of **W**. **T**. **Stead**, the trials and tribulations of bringing up **Fillis Meadow Sweet**, and how he came to introduce **Doctor Who** to the indigenous tribes of the Amazon.

An hour of pure entertainment, the show is honest storytelling twisted through the vaudeville minds of Acme, featuring an ever evolving narrative, improvisational audio-visual wizardry, and a motley collection of characters.

Did Charlton and **Acme Construction Company** come together by some happy accident? Or was it ghostly intervention, as writer-director-performer Charlton likes to imply?

Essentially a ghost yarn, Who is Bobby Lopez was inspired by a series of séances held in the basement of a crumbling hostel in the East End of London. 'We were trying to reach the spirit of the legendary Victorian newspaperman W. T. Stead' says Charlton, 'after all, it was how his daughter talked to him, and it was her who had built this hostel in his honour. Further investigation proved truth was seeming stranger than fiction, so finding an antique music hall next door, we channelled this show instead.'

Listing information Venue: C-cubed, venue 50, Edinburgh Festival Fringe Dates: 2-9 August at 12.am / 10-25 August at 1am Tickets: £6.50 / concs £5.50 Fringe box office: 0131 226 0000 Venue box office: 0870 701 5105 C venues press office: 0131 624 1550 further information and media available from: www.bobbylopez.com