



Do Our Best

**Underbelly Cowgate (Iron Belly), 66 Cowgate, Edinburgh, EH1 1JX
Thursday 1st – Sunday 25th August 2019 (not 12th), 14:50**

Do Our Best is a devastating comedy from the exciting new voice of Welsh writer Remy Beasley (*Stella*, *Sky One*; *Paines Plough Roundabout* Season 2016), directed by Fringe First award-winning director, Hannah Banister. In the wake of her mother's death, Sephie, a self-obsessed 30-year-old, finds herself back in the sanctuary of the Girl Guides. *Do Our Best* follows our anti-heroine as she tries to navigate her numbness in search of her own tribe of women.

In a last-ditch effort to fend off eternal unhappiness, a young woman attempts to achieve her *Entertainer's* badge for the fourth time. Houghtied by her inescapable insecurity and her desperate wish to belong, Sephie kicks and drags her way through life. As she tries to change her story, she must show herself a kindness she has never yet managed to muster. This is a story about grief, the complex nature of mothers and their daughters and the valiant pursuit of living when nothing makes sense.

Remy Beasley is one to watch as her heartfelt and hilarious observations avoid trite clichés and instead expose the dark underbelly of emotional isolation. From the multi-award winning original producer of *Fleabag* and last year's smash-hit Edinburgh shows *Angry Alan* and *Square Go*, Francesca Moody Productions, *Do Our Best* explores the destructive nature of feeling untethered.

Remy Beasley comments, *Do Our Best was inspired by my relationship with my mother and her relationship with her mother and so on. I wanted to explore what it means to feel a sense of belonging, and how unhinged it can feel when you don't. This is about mothers and daughters and grief and striving even when you feel lost in the world. I had a revealing moment recently that came when an older woman placed her hand on my heart and my head sort of exploded. The visceral reaction to this tiny act of maternalism was enough to make me want to scrutinise*

the power of the female touch and how those relationships affect us. Also, my pure love and admiration for the Girl Guides and all the rad empowerment they encourage in young women made it the perfect setting for Do Our Best.

Writer of *Stella*, and co-creator and star of *Gavin and Stacey*, Ruth Jones, says *In terms of people to watch, I do think Remy Beasley [Beyoncé in Stella] is an incredible comedy acting and writing talent. I think we'll be seeing a lot more of her in the future* (Radio Times).

Notes to Editors

Title	<i>Do Our Best</i>
Performance Dates	Thursday 1 st – Sunday 25 th August 2019 (not 12 th), 14:50
Running Time	60 minutes
Location	Underbelly Cowgate (Iron Belly), 66 Cowgate, Edinburgh, EH1 1JX
Box Office	Tickets are available from www.underbellyedinburgh.co.uk or 03333 444 167. Previews: £6.50 Weekdays: £10 (£9) Weekend: £11 (£10)
Writer/Performer	Remy Beasley
Director	Hannah Banister
Producer	Francesca Moody Productions in association with Underbelly
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Notes	12+

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