



# Foiled



**Ruby Rouge Hair Salon, 2 Clerk Street, Edinburgh, EH8 9HX**

**Friday 5<sup>th</sup> – Monday 29<sup>th</sup> August 2016 (not 11<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup>), 19:00**

*We can't have clients coming in here, trampling all over my concentration, looking messy about the place.*

Staged in an actual working hair salon on Clerk Street (never before used as a Fringe venue), *Foiled* invites you to immerse yourself in the secret world of styling while Sabrina and her team attempt to perform mission impossible, hair-wise. 'Bleach for the Stars' specialises in celebrity dip dyes and off-kilter karaoke but today its doors are closed (again) so that manageress and chief style engineer Sabrina can get busy nominating herself for the prestigious Clipadvisor Salon of the Year award.

When bald out-of-work actor Richie arrives for a career-saving hair-do, over-talented and under-employed assistant stylist Tanisha must convince Sabrina that you simply can't buy success. Except, of course, when you can.

With a unique blend of big hair, satirical comedy, sing-along show tunes and beyond-the-grave psychic interventions, *Foiled* is the feel-good theatrical answer to the lamentably unasked question: 'Something for the weekend, Prime Minister?'.

Writer Beth Granville comments, *Over the years I've sat in hairdressers' chairs for what would probably amount to months of my life. In those chairs (part-time confessionals) I have laughed, cried and shared some of my darkest secrets. With more mirrors than a fun house and sharp objects in such perilous proximity to people's heads, the stakes are always high. Love or hate a trip to the hairdressers, everyone who's been to one has a story and I'm excited to tell mine.*

Beth Granville and David Charles have been writing comedy together since 2012 with such well-known online viral pieces as the Daily Mail £1 Migrant Solidarity Tour under their belts.

Granville has contributed comedy material for BBC Wales Radio and has appeared in *Gavin & Stacey* and *Stella*.

## Notes to Editors

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Performance Dates	Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> – Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> August (not 11 <sup>th</sup> , 18 <sup>th</sup> 25 <sup>th</sup> ), 19:00
Running time	1 hour
Location	Ruby Rouge Hair Salon, 2 Clerk Street, Edinburgh, EH8 9HX
Box Office	Free with donations at the end
Twitter	@foiledplay, #foiled
Notes	Ages 14+
Director	Tom O'Brien
Writers	Beth Granville, David Charles
Cast	Beth Granville, Stephanie Siadatan, Dominic Morgan
Previews	Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> – Saturday 30 <sup>th</sup> July, 20:00 Hair Design Gallery, 159 Priory Road, London N8 8NB

## David Charles

David Charles has been a full-time writer since 2010, and has written comedy with Beth Granville since 2012. Their writing includes comedy sketches for live performance and several comedy videos for the People's Assembly Against Austerity, as well as viral online pieces such as the Daily Mail £1 Migrant Solidarity Tour, and TV and radio sitcom pilots with regular rehearsed readings at London Comedy Writers. Aside from his comedy writing with Beth, David has published two books of travel writing and two books of political analysis in partnership with Elevate, an international festival of arts and political discourse in Graz, Austria. David's latest book 'You Are What You Don't' will be published in autumn 2016.

## Beth Granville

Beth Granville is a Cardiff born writer and actress with a penchant for comedy. Some of her acting credits include *Gavin & Stacey* and *Stella*, plus BBC Radio Wales sitcom *Scot Of The Antarctic*. Beth has developed her co-written sitcom *The Sicilians* at BBC Wales and had a short play produced by Dirty Protest Theatre Company. She has contributed comedy material for BBC

Wales Radio and live London based sketch show *Sketchageddon*. Last year she took her comedy sketch show *Flick and Julie: Pop Up Penny Pinchers* on a small UK tour and up to the Edinburgh Festival.

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