



Oskar's Amazing Adventure

Gilded Balloon (Dining Room), 13 Bristo Square, Edinburgh, EH8 9AJ

Wednesday 2nd – Sunday 27th August 2017 (not 9th, 16th, 23rd), 11:50

Fun-loving Oskar has to run down a mountain to find a friendly animal to play with. But where are the animals? And why does he have to wait till spring to play his favourite game again? The UK premiere of this heart-warming, humorous play uses a rich mix of storytelling, physical theatre, puppetry and song to tell the tale of a puppy's search for friendship.

Oskar, the fun-loving Swiss puppy, lives with Grandma and her animals in the little house on top of the mountain. They have been snowbound for weeks and Oskar, desperate for a game, goes out alone in the snow to find a friendly animal to play with. But the animals he meets are more interested in eating Oskar than playing with him and he only manages to avoid the attention of a hungry fox when he falls down a deep hole in the ground and lands on top of a young hibernating marmot. Marmot forgives Oskar for waking her up and, using her amazing digging and whistling skills, helps the little dog escape the fox and reunites him with his family. Oskar wants to play more, but has to wait for Marmot to finish her long winter's sleep.

Many plays for young audiences are adaptations of well-known children's books, but *Oskar's Amazing Adventure* is different; the original picture book and play have been created side by side in one creative process. The text, illustrations and storyline of the book evolved as the play developed in rehearsal creating a story full of action and excitement.

This original, heartwarming and entertaining play for young children and their families is presented by Anglo-Swiss theatre company Theatre Fideri Fidera in association with Komedia Kids. Author, Colin Granger will be signing books after each performance – this is also an opportunity for children to meet Oskar the playful puppy and his newfound friend, Marmot.

Notes to Editors

Title	<i>Oskar's Amazing Adventure</i>
Performance Dates	Wednesday 2 nd – Sunday 27 th August (not 9 th , 16 th , 23 rd) 11:50
Running time	40 minutes
Location	Gilded Balloon (Dining Room), 13 Bristo Square, Edinburgh, EH8 9AJ
Box Office	Tickets are available from www.gildedballoon.co.uk Previews: £5 Normal £7.50 (£6) Family of 4: £24
Twitter	@theatrefideri, #OskarsAdventure, @Gildedballoon
Notes	Ages 2-7 and their families
Performer	Natasha Granger
Writer/Director	Colin Granger
Set/Puppets Design	Marina Kobler
Music	Magdalena Portmann

Colin Granger and Marina Kobler

Colin Granger and Marina Kobler are founders and directors of the independent arts and live entertainment organization Komedia. After over 20 years running Komedia and presenting the work of hundreds of well know theatre companies, comedians and musicians they decided to get back to their first love of creating theatre by starting Theatre Fideri Fidera. Colin is also an author and teacher trainer and has written numerous books for children and teenagers for publishers Heinemann and Macmillan, including the international best seller *New Generation*. In 1994 he used the royalties from his books to buy and convert a building to form the first Komedia theatre. In 2014 he wrote his first children's play for young children, *Pitschi, the Kitten with Dreams* and, in 2016, the play and children's picture book *Oskar's Amazing Adventure*.

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