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# PRESS INVITATION: 10 Years On – Brighton's very own Trim Tab Productions return to the Fringe with new rock musical *The Angel of Death Will See You Now...*

Ten years after their critically acclaimed Brighton Fringe debut, local favourites Trim Tab Productions return older, wiser, and louder than ever with a brand-new rock musical, *The Angel of Death Will See You Now....* 

Their debut (2015) was hailed as 'lion-hearted' and 'destined for greatness' (<u>Fringe Review</u>) and their second (2018) earned  $\star \star \star \star$  from <u>Broadway Baby</u>. Now, a decade later, Trim Tab Productions premiere their boldest and most ambitious work yet – a thrilling mix of live music, dark comedy and interactive theatre.

*The Angel of Death Will See You Now...* sees a hapless teacher wake in Death's waiting room after a mugging goes wrong – only to find himself facing the Angel of Death, a merciless quizmaster with a twisted sense of humour. The audience plays a key role in deciding his fate, as the lines between game show and afterlife blur in unexpected ways.

The show is directed by Saskia Wesnigk-Wood, a seasoned theatre director known for her work with SwanWing Productions and the Brighton Early Music Festival. Wesnigk-Wood is the writer and director of *Darwin's Cleaner*, also premiering at this year's Fringe. She previously wrote and directed *Love in the Time of Lockdown*, which premiered at Brighton Fringe in 2021 and received excellent reviews.

Saskia Wesnigk-Wood, the director, said: "I was thrilled to be invited to direct the new show by the Trim Tab team, the music is stunning and the story will have you at the edge of your seat. It might also make you question some of your own life choices - remember: you only get one life... or do you?"

Dr James Mannion, writer and performer, said: "*The Angel of Death Will See You Now…* is part game show, part fever dream, and part philosophical slap in the face. I wrote it to make people laugh, think, rock out - and perhaps even look at their lives a little differently. I've been writing and performing various versions of this story for the last 25 years. With this production, I feel like it's finally come of age. I can't wait to see what people make of it!"

*The Angel of Death Will See You Now...* is written by Dr James Mannion, with original songs performed live by a four-piece band and backed by a 10-piece all-female choir. Further information can be found at: <u>brightonfringe.org/events/the-angel-of-death-will-see-you-now</u>.

### Performance details:

Brighton Unitarian Church

- Sun 4 May, 7.30pm
- Sat 10 May, 2.00pm & 7.30pm
- Sun 11 May, 7.30pm
- Thu 22 May, 7.30pm
- Sun 1 June, 3.30pm & 7.30pm

Ironworks Studio A

• Wed 28 May, 7.30pm

Duration: 90 minutes

Age suitability: 12+

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**Complimentary tickets** are available for members of the press. Please get in touch to confirm your preferred date, and we will reserve your ticket.

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