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Leoe & Hyde
The Marriage of Kim K
by **Leo Mercer, Stephen Hyde, Clem Faux,**
after **W A Mozart**



A fearlessly caustic satire fusing the most vaunted production in the history of classical opera with one of pop culture's most well-known entities

The Marriage of Kim K is a rewrite of **Mozart's** *Marriage of Figaro* by writer **Leoe Mercer**, and composers **Stephen Hyde** and **Clem Faux**. The plot centres on Beth and Mo, an ordinary couple arguing about what to watch: *The Marriage of Figaro*, or *Keeping Up with the Kardashians*. Hijinks ensue with three squabbling couples, three styles of music, three sets, and one big problem: how to love in a world of striking contrasts? All three combine in a final number that sees the three worlds meeting, and then lovingly tearing each other apart.

The Marriage of Kim K provides a biting satire of the high/low brow divide, the celebrity age and the melodrama of love in art. It is a hilarious piece of writing, with most of the humour being drawn from the tension between relatable relationships and exaggerated characters. It has enjoyed a successful tour of UK fringes, including Manchester, London, and Oxford, winning the John Beecher Award at the Buxton Fringe.

The show is produced by up and coming music theatre company, **Leoe & Hyde**, who seek to create and perform musical theatre which is contemporary, integrating dramatic and musical innovation within popular narrative forms. The music rearranges **Mozart's** original score, but sticks closely to its structure and has English lyrics over the original melodies. The performance is accompanied by a live genre-bending string quartet, **Echo Chamber**, who play an original score for the production.

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Listings Information

Venue **C**, Adam House, Chambers Street, EH1 1HR, venue 34
Dates 2-28 Aug (not 9, 16, 23)
Time 21:50 (1h15)
Ticket prices £11.50-£13.50 / concessions £9.50-£11.50
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