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PLOS The Poltergeist of Cock Lane by Tim Connery and Steven Geraghty



Original musical based on the unbelievable true story of a murder trial, where the main witness was a ghost

A grieving widower, a drunken landlord, and a dead wife who won't rest unite for one of the strangest legal cases in history. Based on the infamous hauntings of Cock Lane, London, between 1761 and 1762, **The Poltergeist of Cock Lane** is the story of the only time in British legal history that a man was charged with murder based on evidence given by a ghost, with the court having to decide if the haunting was real or not.

Part-black comedy, part-supernatural mystery and part-Gothic romance, the show is a musical journey into the crazed heart of eighteenth-century London. Bizarre, dark, funny and moving, **The Poltergeist of Cock Lane** investigates one of the strangest corners of real London lore.

The award-winning **Putney Light Operatic Society**, in association with **S T Productions**, makes its Edinburgh Fringe debut with the world premiere of **The Poltergeist of Cock Lane**. With book and lyrics by **Tim Connery** (Film Four, Working Title, BBC Drama), music by **Steven Geraghty** (composer and orchestrator, *Libera*), and direction by **Damian Sandys** (Associate / Resident, *The Kite Runner*, Playhouse Theatre / UK Tour; Edinburgh Fringe favourite, *Shakespeare For Breakfast*).

With an eclectic mixture of music from bouncy, harmonised swing to heartfelt ballads, **The Poltergeist of Cock Lane** is a fantastic addition to new British musical theatre.

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Listings Information

Venue	C, venue 34, Edinburgh Festival Fringe
Dates	2-12 Aug
Time	16:05 (1h15)
Ticket prices	£10.50-£12.50 / concessions £8.50-£10.50 / children £6.50-£8.50
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