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SHAKESPEARE GRACES THE BINGO HALLS OF LEITH

Shakespeare is set to grace a bingo hall in Leith in what could possibly be described as one of the most unusual places that the work of the British master has been seen and heard.

More used to hearing the sound of the bingo numbers being announced, customers visiting the Mecca Bingo club on Manderston Street in Leith on Wednesday 1st August from 1.30pm will be in for a surprise as the club is graced with actors from Edinburgh-based theatre company Siege Perilous' Fringe production of Pericles. They will be putting on a preview taster of their contemporary adaptation of this Shakespeare play, set to wow audiences at the Edinburgh Fringe Festival.

One of Shakespeare's lesser known works, Pericles is a comical story which sees a handsome prince embark on a great adventure to escape an assassin.

Gary Lindsay of Mecca Bingo (Leith Capitol); "We are delighted to be able to welcome the cast of Pericles into our Bingo hall. This is certainly a first for our club and is very different from what we typically offer, however I don't doubt that it will be a roaring success. You never know... we might become a regular venue for Fringe and Festival performers!"

Andy Corelli of Siege Perilous and Director of Pericles: "Our production of Shakespeare's 'Pericles' is an adventure indeed - on the run from an assassin, our hero has already had to change Fringe venues and dodge a Royal visit. Don't miss his guest appearance at Mecca Bingo; a typically unusual taster of this exciting, contemporary show."

If you would like to sample a taster of Pericles then head to the Mecca Bingo in Leith for a one-off mini performance.

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The Mecca Bingo Club is based at;
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- 1) Pericles will be showing at;
Sweet ECA (Sweet Upstairs) venue 186, Edinburgh College of Art from
- 2) Performances are taking place from Fri 3rd - Mon 27th August (No performance 13-15th August)

3) For media enquiries re Siege Perilous or 'Pericles', please contact production PR manager Josef Church in the first instance, on 0131 4774154 / 07887 811 091, or go to www.siegeperilous.co.uk. You can also contact Siege Perilous direct on 0131 554 3005, or emailenquiries@siegeperilous.co.uk.