

Moulin-Exes presents
HAYTON ON HOMICIDE
A new play by JM Golder

Theatre One, Royal College of Surgeons (Venue 53, Nicolson Street)
7 August - 29 August @ 22.30; and 24 August - 29 August @ 17.30 (55 mins)
No performances on Sundays.
£7
Fringe Box Office (0131 226 0000) or Venue Box Office (0845 508 8515)

Paranormal investigators sponsor Ed Fringe play

Hot on the heels of sell-out previews in London and Cambridge, new ghost-themed murder mystery, **Hayton on Homicide**, has been sponsored by the first ever UK society set up to investigate the paranormal - the distinguished Society for Psychical Research (SPR).

Founded in 1882 by, among others, Professor Henry Sidgwick, a former Edinburgh resident, the SPR plays a key role in the play. Set in 1880s Cambridge, **Hayton on Homicide** centres on the clash between the scientific beliefs of Professor Hayton and his wife Florence's avid interest in the paranormal – a passion sparked by the then newly formed SPR. When a series of strange occurrences result in a murder, both investigate – Professor Hayton with science and Mrs Hayton with a séance. But who's right?

“It was funny, fast-paced, tense – everything a murder mystery should be,” said Dr Tom Ruffles from the SPR. “JM Golder's done a wonderful job in capturing the atmosphere when psychical research was a new discipline and still had to strive for scientific respectability. The play will do wonders in spreading awareness of the Society.”

Now over 127 years old, the SPR has members from around the world, an extensive library and an impressive history of publications. One thing is still the same however - the conviction and spirit of its members. “Our membership comprises a wide range of individuals whose aim is to learn more about events and abilities commonly described as paranormal,” explains Ruffles. “But if Professor Hayton wanted to join, we would be happy to have him!”

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Further information including biographies and photos available on request.

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