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***Is That a Bolt in Your Neck?* A comedy horror bursting with thrills and chills, comes to Theatre Royal Plymouth**

Gonzo Moose Theatre Company bringing their latest show *Is That A Bolt In Your Neck?* to Theatre Royal Plymouth later this year.

Having previously thrilled audiences with hit shows *Grimm And Grimmer*, *The Thing That Came From Over There* and *What The Dickens*, Gonzo Moose are back with their 12th show, *Is That A Bolt In Your Neck?*, a comedy horror bursting with silliness and mayhem.

A castle looms dark and foreboding over a small mountain village. Inside, Dr Chekhov, the brilliant and reclusive scientist, works in secret.

As the villagers prepare for Christmas they become increasingly alarmed. Strange shadows can be seen at the castle windows, and every night blood curdling cries of pain can be heard. What is Dr Chekhov doing? What hideous experiments is he perpetrating? What unimaginable horror might emerge from his laboratory? And will any of it spoil Christmas?

All will be revealed in this wonderfully inventive and gripping comedy horror featuring three fearless actors, switching wildly between myriad roles, all packed into 75 minutes of fast-paced fun and thrilling action.

With comedy and thrills galore you will gasp, laugh and be amazed at the horrific experiments, the mind-boggling love, and the sensational death-defying finale.

Inspired by gothic horror movie classics of the 1930s, *Is That A Bolt In Your Neck?* is a fast-paced, rollicking ride mixing spooky paranoia, surreal nightmare and frantic farce. Suitable for audiences from ages 8 to 80, the show is packed full of hilarious slapstick, verbal wit, and magical illusion.

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About Gonzo Moose Theatre

Since exploding onto the scene in 2000, Gonzo Moose has become renowned for its accessible brand of stage comedy which combines improvisation, music, physical theatre and clowning. The company, founded by Artistic Director Mark Dawson and Paschale Straiton, has always had a focus on creating innovative and visually exciting stage comedy. Inspired by the slapstick greats, Gonzo Moose always bring the house down with audiences of all ages and the team delight in spoofing genres, mashing up traditional tales and generally being silly. Gonzo Moose use a range of techniques to keep its work at the cutting-edge of physical comedy and improvisational performance with previous shows including 2008's Edinburgh Fringe hit and Total Theatre Award nominated, "You Don't Need to Know That".

Age suitability: 7+

Trigger Warnings: Use of stage smoke, there is one loud bang, and simulation of lighting flashes which uses strobe lights.

Images can be downloaded here: <https://flic.kr/s/aHBqjA9x5N>

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