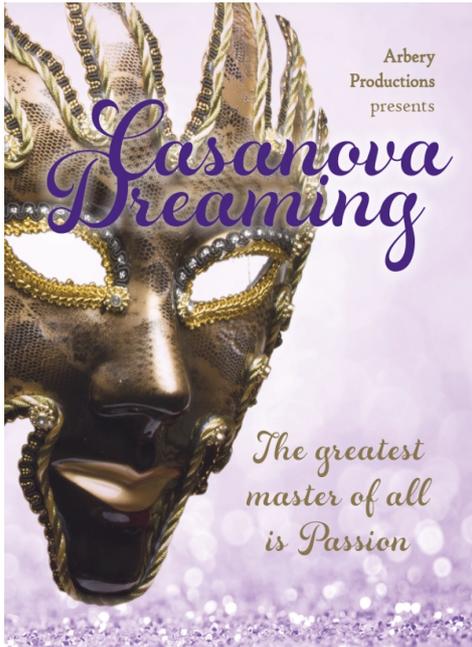


Sex, Money and Intrigue at the 2018 Edinburgh Fringe



Two Venetians - one historical, one fictional; one serious, one comic; a famous lover and a famous trickster - are brought to life by Arbery Productions for three-week runs at this year's Edinburgh Fringe. Award-winning writer and director Martin Foreman presents an adaptation of Ben Jonson's classic comedy *Volpone* and a new one-act drama, *Casanova Dreaming*.

The greatest master of all is Passion Asleep in bed with his first true love, nineteen-year-old Giacomo Casanova is visited by an old man who shows him his future. Out of the shadows come the women and men who will touch his life in many different ways - a life more complex and varied than legend relates. Adult language and themes.

A Fringe First, **Casanova Dreaming** features Italian-Scottish actor Patrick Bergamo as the young Casanova in his Edinburgh debut, supported by Fringe veterans Beverley Wright and Nick Forrest and Fringe newcomers Creighton King, Junior Cross, Sarah Stanton and Polina Sulim.

He's dying to get rich With the aid of servant Mosca, wealthy Volpone convinces the rich citizens of Venice that he is on his deathbed - prompting them to shower him with gifts in the hope that they will become his sole heir. In this new version, set in the nineteenth century, Mosca is now a woman deftly avoiding her employer's clutches while luring the gullible and greedy into ever more complicated scams.

Following a successful one-week run at the Edinburgh Fringe in 2017 (**** "thoroughly enjoyable" All-Edinburgh Theatre) **Volpone** returns for three weeks with Vanashree Thapliyal (Mosca) and Alastair Lawless (Volpone) reprising their roles.

Media resources, including cast and crew biographies, production photos etc: arberyproductions.co.uk
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Casanova Dreaming
 theSpace on Niddry Street (venue 9) 14.15 (50m)
 6 & 7 Aug (previews): £7.50 (£6.00 conc)
 8 - 25 Aug (not 12 or 19): £9.00 (£7.00 conc)

Volpone
 Paradise in Augustines (venue 152) 18.35 (2h 20m)
 3 - 7 Aug (previews): £10.00 (£7.00 conc)
 8 - 26 Aug (not 12 or 19): £14.00 (£10.00 conc)

