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**Scéal Eile  
(Ireland)  
Sparks  
by Pat Hynes**



**An electrifying, madcap black comedy. A useless apprentice, a never-ending job, a bossy teacher, a mars bar-loving boss. This high-energy one-man show is a manic journey through one day in a tradesman's life**

Hell goes round and round.

Set in post-boom Ireland, this savagely funny, lyrical and visceral one-man show is a journey through a tradesman's memories of one pivotal day in his life.

The UK premier of black comedy **Sparks**, wrestles with the conflict occurring in a tradesman's thoughts as he pieces together events that befall him during the course of one bleakly tragic day. Gerry, played by **Darren Killeen** (*Game of Thrones*), is an electrician who is losing everything; his job, respect of the community, family, co-workers and his mind. His story becomes increasingly confused as it is continuously interrupted by a host of madcap characters, all projected through the warped lens of Gerry's mind. **Sparks** explores the loss of sense of identity in the face of economic collapse and how unreliable our personal narrative can be.

Influenced by the work of Irvine Welsh, Enda Walsh, Beckett and Flann O'Brien, this unique and entertaining one-man show resonates with audiences long after they have left the theatre.

**Scéal Eile** is a theatre company based in an independent bookshop and intimate arts venue in the west of Ireland. The company is known for powerful collaborations with actors, writers, performers and artists. They are interested in producing exciting, innovative work, and particularly in staging new Irish writing.

**'A nightmare loop... a whirlwind of characters. Darren Killeen does an admirable job. Delightfully dishevelled, cleverly designed'**  
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**Listings Information**

Venue

C cubed, venue 16, Edinburgh Festival Fringe

Dates

31 Jul - 9 Aug

Time

14:30 (0h55)

Ticket prices

£7.50-£9.50 / concessions £5.50-£7.50

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