

PRESS RELEASE:

In celebration of the 250th birthday of Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart



Presents the UK premier of

The Bach & Mozart Project

By Adriano Vianello

translated from Italian by Sofie Mason

Adriano Vianello's play *Il Progetto di Bach e Mozart* was written in 1997 – in which year it was a finalist in the Premio IDI – the most prestigious dramaturgical competition in Italy.

After watching Donatella Massimilia's production of *Il Progetto di Bach e Mozart* in Italy, Escape Artists commissioned a translation of the piece, which will tour institutions and theatres throughout 2006-2007.

The Bach & Mozart Project is the luminous story of two inmates in an anonymous institution, attempting to transform their lives. Bach and Mozart are trying to live up to their names – a desperate creative struggle on the thin line between genius and madness.

The Bach & Mozart Project is a fast-paced, emotionally powerful and intellectually vibrant piece of theatre performed with tremendous physical commitment and intensity of spirit by two actors, a dancer and a musician (Peter Skuce of the Dufay Collective) providing live harpsichord renditions of J.S Bach & W.A. Mozart.

An ultimately uplifting experience, the piece delves intelligently into the heart of what it means to create something from nothing, as Bach and Mozart master the will to free themselves and each other.

The Bach & Mozart Project:

**to visit the heavens,
to touch the stars,
to be myself**

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