

Press Release July 2006



**Pants on Fire  
Theatre**  
*Presents*

# **SPLICE**

## **A Theatrical Ode to Cinema**

### **ARENA Festival, Erlanger, Germany**

Four actors present one hundred years of cinema in one hour. See *Jaws* without water, *Vertigo* without stairs and even the *Stars Wars* trilogy condensed to five minutes in a fast paced, popcorn guzzling theatrical tour de force of mime, puppetry, song, mask, movement and light to capture the essence of over 63 well known movies.

Following their sell-out productions of *Tossed!* at People Show studios, London (25<sup>th</sup> April to 7<sup>th</sup> May 05) and *Labyrinthine* at The Space, London (30<sup>th</sup> May – 4<sup>th</sup> June 06) Pants on Fire will now be bringing their show **SPLICE** to the Arena Festival after being spotted performing the show at the Edinburgh Fringe Festival last year.

*SPLICE* has already toured in North America and Canada to full houses and high critical acclaim where they were voted *Most Outstanding and Most Creative production of the 2001 Toronto Fringe Festival* and *Best of the 2002 New York Living Room Festival* and made it's European premiere of *SPLICE* in May 2005 at the Queille Festival in France and it's UK premiere at oh! art Oxford House, London in June – July 2005 followed by a run at the Edinburgh Festival. Pants on Fire are now excited to bring their "hectic and hilarious breakneck dash through a century of movie-making" (The Stage) to the Arena Festival in Germany.

**"Wonderful and improbable...all that's missing is the popcorn!" Time Out, London**

**"A truly magical box of delights" What's On London**

**"The movie references come so thick and fast that the spectator is left dizzy...film buffs will be in heaven." The Stage**

**"Looking to spend the money that's burning a hole in you pocket? Spend it on SPLICE!" Edinburgh guide 4/5 stars**

**Pants on Fire** are committed to crafting original, dramatically dynamic, visually brilliant and widely accessible work in an ensemble-driven process. The company aim to create uniquely theatrical worlds, which rely on the imagination of the spectator to form a synergy between performer and audience.

**"Innovative and at times even breathtaking" Time Out on *Tossed!***

**"Pants on Fire are creating wonderful and imaginative theatre"  
Theatre Network on *Labyrinthine***

[www.pantsonfiretheatre.com](http://www.pantsonfiretheatre.com)

#### **Listings Information**

Venue	The Garage, Arena Festival, Erlanger
Dates	Saturday 8 <sup>th</sup> July at 5pm Sunday 9 <sup>th</sup> July at 3pm
Post Show Talk	Saturday 8 <sup>th</sup> July after 5pm performance

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