

## MEDIA RELEASE



Tim Motley Presents...

## 2 Ruby Knockers, 1 Jaded Dick: A Dirk Darrow Investigation

Australia's favourite American mind-reading detective is back! After selling out every show at Winnipeg Fringe 2014, *2 Ruby Knockers..* is coming back for a second year. Part stand-up comedy, part mentalism, part story-telling... this stand-alone prequel to *Dirk Darrow: NCSSI* is a completely unique take on the 1930's crime caper. These two Dirk Darrow shows remain, to the author's knowledge, the only stage shows in existence which incorporate magic effects to tell a story that's about something, anything other than magic. In this case, it's about a bank heist.

Unlike the first show, which was more or less a vehicle to showcase some cool tricks in a quirky character, this show is built from the ground up to parody an obscure short story by the master crime fiction writer and grand-daddy of noir, Dashiell Hammett. And in the tradition of *Empire Strikes Back*, it's bigger than the first show, with more explosions, more murders, and more technically difficult knuckle-busting sleight of hand. Think Sam Spade meets *Naked Gun* meets Penn & Teller.

2 Ruby Knockers 1 Jaded Dick has enjoyed sold out runs in Winnipeg Fringe 2014, Edmonton Fringe, Melbourne Comedy Fest, Adelaide Fringe, Perth Fringe, and more. Thus far, the vast majority of reviews have been positive, if not glowing. Part stand-up, part whodunit, part mentalist, all glorious retro film noir, this is an ambitious show, uniquely integrating magic into a story without losing the plot.



"Hard and fast as a runaway bullet train" - Winnipeg Free Press

"Tour de force" - Australian Stage

PATRONS' PICK AWARD - Winnipeg Fringe 2014, London Fringe 2014

Dirk Darrow's creator, Tim Motley, has performed throughout 28 countries from shantytowns and riots in South Africa to celebrity audiences such as Richard Branson, Baz Luhrmann, and Lachlan Murdoch. Tim has featured with other shows at dozens of European and Canadian festivals while also appearing as a stand-up comic on Melbourne's Channel 31 many times. His exploits also include being a radio chat show host for RRR Melbourne and URE England. Tim lives in Melbourne, Australia.

## LISTING INFORMATION

Where: Venue #4 -Alloway Hall, Manitoba Museum, 190 Rupert St, Winnipeg, MB When: Thur 7/16- 3:30 PM, Fri 7/17 - 8:30 PM, Sun 7/19 - 1:45 PM, Mon 7/20 - 7:00 PM, Wed 7/22 - 12:00 PM, Thurs 7/23 - 5:15 PM, Fri 7/24 - 10:30 PM, Sun 7/26 - 7pm Book at: www.winnipegfringe.com Websites: For more, see: www.dirkdarrow.com or www.facebook.com/DetectiveDarrow MEDIA CONTACT: Tim Motley - arizonamotley@gmail.com