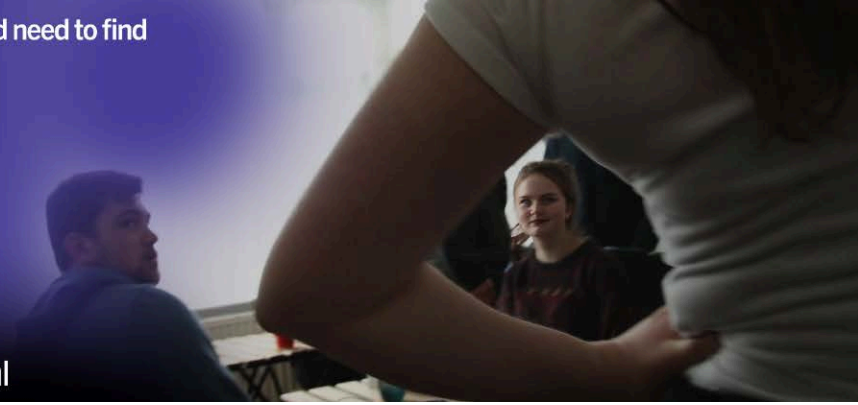


"This show is truly exceptional. If you have lost your way and need to find your muse, go have a drink at Café L'Arté — Eight songs that can change your life!"

Jasmine Storm - Theatre Reviewer



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Café L'Arté

Ever had a single hour that changed your life?

Café L'Arté is a brand new immersive musical set in real time in a coffee shop. Since losing the love of her life to the Afghanistan conflict 5 years earlier Emily has run the shop on her own & shelved plans they shared of starting a theatre company. A customer walks in and asks if he can add his business card to the notice board claiming to be a 'Psychic Songwriter'. After initially dismissing "such nonsense" Emily finds, in the next hour, through words and music, that her life has been changed for the better, and maybe forever.



At the Edinburgh Fringe in 2016 Frank Scarito, the writer of Café L'arté, watched a brilliant immersive musical that had a profound impact on him and which in turn inspired the idea of the single hour that can change your life. The result is a musical that, through overhearing individual stories and spontaneous pop songs, makes you feel like you only popped in for a coffee yet walkaway uplifted having seen difficult moments turn into resolution, joy and hope.

Once Upon Productions was initially born out of Scarito volunteering in schools and giving an opportunity to young people to showcase their talents. Since 2005 he has produced films and stage productions covering subjects like bullying and multiculturalism and has now co-formed the independent, not for profit, performing arts school Crescendo Performing Arts together with Sian Gates nurturing performing talents to people of all backgrounds and ages.

I am not often lost for words and there are not enough superlatives to describe this utterly brilliant concept by the genius that is Frank Scarito, who incidentally wrote, directed and played keyboard for Café L'Arté the Musical.

Nancy Stevens - Theatre reviewer

I can't over rate it. It has been a fantastic experience. The Concept was great, the young performers were brilliant, the sounds, voices, music, all superb."

First night audience member

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Listings information

Venue: theSpace on the Mile (Space2) @ 80 High Street, EH1 1TH - Venue 39

Dates: Monday 7th till Friday 11th of August 2023

Time: 12.05

Ticket prices: £12 / concessions £10 / family £8.50 / OAP £8.50

Fringe box office: www.edfringe.com 0131 226 0000

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