Road at Aberystwyth Arts Centre

From Wednesday 28th until Friday 30th January, Aberystwyth Arts Centre Castaway Community Theatre will perform Jim Cartwright's *Road* at Aberystwyth Arts Centre. All performances will begin at 7.45pm.

Castaway Community Theatre celebrates eighteen years of producing cutting-edge theatre at Aberystwyth Arts Centre with Jim Cartwright's modern classic *Road* from 1986 - probably the most important play to emerge from the decade. Set in a tiny pocket of derelict Lancashire, *Road* is an uncompromising depiction of working class life in Thatcher's Britain. During one booze-fuelled evening our host Scullery introduces us to a veritable pot-pourri of characters – beer flows, music plays, dreams are shattered, and one record helps four young people to make a startling discovery.

Road was Jim Cartwright's first play. It opened at the Royal Court Theatre in 1986, and was revived that same year and again in 1987, before being taken on a nationwide tour. *Road* won the Samuel Beckett Award, Drama Magazine's Best New Play Award, and was joint winner of the Plays and Players Award and The George Devine Award. Cartwright also adapted his play for the television, broadcasted by the BBC in 1987, winning The Golden Nymph Award for Best Film.

Castaway's large and talented cast embrace Cartwright's raw poetry with vigour and energy, and (of course) a stunning soundtrack compliments the action!

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  For more information please contact Louise Amery, Rhys Fowler or Celyn Ebenezer on 01970 622889 or email lla@aber.ac.uk.

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Road yng Nghanolfan y Celfyddydau

Aberystwyth

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Mae Theatr Gymuned Castaway yn dathlu deunaw mlynedd o gynhyrchu theatr ddyfeisgar yng Nghanolfan y Celfyddydau Aberystwyth gyda chlasur modern Jim Cartwright sef *Road* o 1986 - yn ôl pob tebyg, drama bwysicaf y degawd. Wedi'i gosod mewn cymuned fach yn Swydd Gaerhirfryn, mae *Road* yn bortread digyfaddawd o fywyd y dosbarth gweithiol ym Mhrydain Thatcher. Yn ystod noson o or-yfed mae'n gwestywr Scullery yn ein cyflwyno i amrywiaeth o wahanol gymeriadau - mae'r cwrw yn llifo, cerddoriaeth yn chwarae, breuddwydion yn cael eu chwalu ac mae un record yn helpu pedwar o bobl ifanc i wneud darganfyddiad annisgwyl.

Drama gyntaf Jim Cartwright yw *Road.* Agorodd yn Theatr y Royal Court ym 1986, ac fe'i ail-addaswyd y flwyddyn honno ac eto ym 1987, cyn mynd ar daith ledled y wlad. Enillodd *Road* Wobr Samuel Beckett, Gwobr Drama Newydd Orau'r Cylchgrawn Drama, ac 'roedd yn gyd-enillydd y Wobr Plays and Players a Gwobr George Devine. Bu Cartwright hefyd yn addasu ei ddrama ar gyfer y teledu ac fe'i darlledwyd gan y BBC ym 1987, gan ennill Gwobr y Golden Nymph am Ffilm Orau.

Mae cast talentog Castaway yn ymgymryd â'r dasg gyda brwdfrydedd ac egni ac (wrth gwrs) ceir trac sain trawiadol sy'n cydfynd yn hynod effeithiol â'r actio!

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- Gellir gweld rhagor o ddatganiadau i'r wasg gan Ganolfan y Celfyddydau Aberystwyth ar www.aberystwythartscentre.co.uk/press.shtml.