EXTREMOPHILES

A new play by Fergal O'Byrne

Isolation at the bottom of the world. 21 oct - 21 nov 2020 Krudttønden

Extremophiles centres around four members of an International Survey team, stationed at a research base in the frozen vastness of Antarctica.



Three of them have volunteered to "overwinter" and keep the station ticking over. They will face the long, dark winter in total isolation.

They must also deal with the possibility they are possibly humanity's last survivors; based on the distorted bursts of news they receive from home.

Extremophiles is a play for now; written before the world was ravaged by the Corona Virus, it is set in the deep isolated environment of an Antarctic research station. The researchers are fatigued and are becoming bedraggled and hallucinogenic; suffering the effects of poor rations and no natural daylight.

They are unsure when their supply ship will return to relieve them. They also pick up bursts of news that presage the end of the world – perhaps a nuclear Armageddon – they cannot tell from the scraps of data they receive. Into this world their former Base Commander appears, after trekking solo across the vast ice sheet. Did he return to save them? Was he too cowardly to face his homeland, possibly descending into irrevocable chaos? Or is his there to face up to the newfound responsibilities?

"This is a play of deep humanity as well as intelligence ... and flows beautifully ... the script skilfully tries to force the audience to realise that there are very few moral absolutes, particularly when survival is at stake."

- Emer O'Kelly, Judge, Eamon Keane Playwriting Award Winner 2018

The World Premiere of *Extremophiles* will take place on the 21^{st} of October 2020 at Krudttønden, Serridslevvej 2, 2100 Kbh Ø. 19.00.

With Ian Burns, Søren Højen, Sira Stampe and Michael Worthman.

Director: Helen Parry

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