

Preview

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2Graves

London

One of the last successes at the Arts Theatre before it closed was a play set in the world of snooker, about the self-destructive Alex Higgins. Now the venue is revamped and reopening with a drama that features a darts champion. But 2Graves, by Paul Sellar, is not an autobiographical piece, rather a thriller full of revenge and violence. Bobby Topps is set to take the 1978 World Darts Championship when he is suddenly killed. His son Jack, played by Jonathan Moore, sets out to avenge his father's death and finds himself sucked into a world of criminality. Most unusually, Sellar's piece, which was much praised in Edinburgh this year, is performed in verse and has some original music by Michael (The Piano) Nyman. Good to see that such a historic theatre as the Arts is back in business.

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· Arts Theatre, WC2, Tue 1 to Dec 7