

Conjuring Up Comedy

A one man magic show with VAT (Very Amusing Tricks)

When you think of accountants, you think of great showmanship, rapid-fire wit and a rare talent for mystery. Or at least you would if you based your opinion on Ian Keable, a former professional accountant who gave it all up to become a full-time entertainer.

The first half of the show sees razor-sharp interactive wit proving that you can have fun with spectators without either victimising or embarrassing them. The magic is wide-ranging, from traditional classics to good, entertaining card routines and some impressive mind-reading.

In the second half of the show, Keable treats the audience to a magical 'tour de force', seamlessly blending several classic routines into an extended magical journey leading to an impressive set of baffling climaxes. That Keable can blend these distinct magical elements into a coherent sequence, one that is both easy to follow yet laugh-out-loud funny, is a great tribute to his experience, his shrewd approach to scripting and timing, and his sure-footed handling of the audience.

Keable is an assured and instantly likeable performer whose in-depth experience is evident throughout this richly entertaining show. The pace never flags, the two hours seem to fly by and it is clear that Keable could make the show even longer if he wanted to. A triumph in every respect.

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