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PURPLE PLAYHOUSE – *The Trials of Colonel Barker* (Theatre) - The first-ever rehearsed reading of 'The Trials of Colonel Barker', a brand new play by Rose Collis, adapted from her critically acclaimed book 'Colonel Barker's Monstrous Regiment' about the fortunes and misfortunes of Valerie Arkell-Smith, aka Col Sir Victor Barker. 8pm, £8 (£6)

Monday 27th -

THE CLAREMONT – *Punning Linguist* (Comedy) - A heady mix of comedy, humour, jokes, poems, gags, lyrics, one-liners and words, served as smooth as you like. Provided you don't like it that smooth. 8pm, £5 (£4)

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Saturday 1st April -

THE CLAREMONT – *Two Controversial Short Stories* (Theatre) - ‘Trial by Acclamation’; a veiled commentary on the way in which International Finance is beyond the law. ‘The Guru’; it examines the 20th Century Communist Party of Great Britain. A short discussion follows each reading. 11.30am, £5 (£3)

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PURPLE PLAYHOUSE – *Jam Sandwich* (Comedy) - Come and join failed TV presenters Sasha and Remy as they attempt to reinvent themselves for your entertainment. Physical comedy, clowning, mime and slapstick combine in this dark comedy sketch show. Expect onions, bodily fluids and audience interaction! 5pm, £8 (£6)

SWEET DUKEBOX - *10 Mistakes Every Girl Makes In Her Twenties* (Comedy) – Who doesn't f**k up in their twenties? Rachel certainly did. Through poetry, chat, and some photos she probably should have detagged, she explores getting the hang of adulting in the age of social media. 5pm, £5

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PURPLE PLAYHOUSE – *Doghead and Reverse Duck Face* (Music/Spoken Word) – A combination of live and recorded music, sound, and audio visual artwork, with performance and spoken word, in an exploration of a wide range of subjects from the comic to the tragic. With a Mexican surrealist flavour. 8.30pm, £8 (£6)

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PURPLE PLAYHOUSE – *Hove Grown Poetry Awards* (Spoken Word) - A celebration of local poetry, with readings by the winners and runners-up in the 2017 Hove Grown Poetry Competition, and a selection of guest readers. 4.30pm, £8 (£6)

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SWEET DUKEBOX - *Blanket Fort* (Improv) – Blanket Fort takes a single audience suggestion and uses it to make up a completely new show right in front of your actual eyes. It's pretty impressive. And silly and playful too. If you're someone who likes joy and exuberance and things like that, you'll be way into it. "Highly recommended show" ★★★★★- Fringe Review; "Confident, engaging" – FringeGuru. 9.15pm, £5 (£3)