THIS EVIL THING

YOU CAN’T FORCE A MAN TO MURDER AGAINST HIS WILL!

WRITTEN & PERFORMED BY Michael Mears

Michael Mears
‘One exceptional man’
THE OBSERVER

‘Moving and dynamic’ THE LIST
‘Gripping’ THE SCOTSMAN

OASIS HUB WATERLOO
1a Kennington Road, London SE1 7QP (nearest tube Lambeth North)

7.30pm on Friday 9 June 2017 • Tickets £6

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Or write to: 9th June Play, Movement for the Abolition of War,
11 Venetia Road, London N4 1EJ
Send a cheque made out to ‘MAW’ for the number of tickets required,
and enclosing a stamped, self-addressed envelope.
January 1916. Bertrand Russell is one of the greatest mathematicians of his time. Bert Brocklesby is a young schoolteacher and Methodist preacher. When military conscription is brought in, their worlds are turned upside down.

**THIS EVIL THING** is the compelling and inspiring story of the men who said no to war. From a chapel in Yorkshire to the House of Commons, from a cell in Richmond Castle to a firing squad in France, the questions raised here are as relevant and urgent as they were 100 years ago.

Michael Mears, ‘the award-winning master of the one-man show’ *(The List)* portrays conscientious objectors and a host of other characters with breath-taking physical and vocal dexterity, in this highly original piece of storytelling – partly using verbatim testimonies, while interacting with a multi-layered sound landscape and vivid visual imagery.

Michael’s previous solo plays – *Soup*, about homelessness, and *Tomorrow We Do The Sky* – won critical acclaim and a Scotsman Fringe First Award.

He has also written and performed five specially commissioned solo plays for BBC Radio 4.

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Bruce Kent