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Hit one-woman show tours UK en route to LA!

After a highly acclaimed Edinburgh Festival run, writer and actress Rachel Ogilvy is taking her one-woman show *The Crossing* on the road this autumn – kicking off with a UK tour before flying across the Atlantic for dates at LA’s Sidewalk theatre.

Ogilvy’s self-penned solo show tells the poignant tale of Rose, a stressed-out and much-maligned supply teacher with an obsession for the Golden Gate Bridge. The famous landmark and feat of engineering is an appropriate setting for the accomplished actress’s steely storytelling, which enchanted Edinburgh audiences, bringing lumps to their throats one minute and gurgles of laughter the next.

The play premiered at the Gilded Balloon in 2008 under its original title *Which to Burn*, but its author has decided to change the name before taking the show out on the road. Rachel explained:

“I’d only just finished writing the script when the Festival programme was going to print. I had about two minutes to come up with a title – so I used part of a quote I liked from guitarist David Russell, who said: ‘The hardest thing to learn in life is which bridge to cross and which to burn.’

“Bizarrely, it made a lot of people think my show was about witchcraft, when it’s actually about losing someone close to you and the journey you take to move forward in your life. That’s why I decided to rename the show!”

The Scots actress, best known for her role as sultry Tiffany in *High Road*, has been compared to Joyce Grenfell by theatre critics, who gave *The Crossing* four-star reviews.

The Stage said: "Ogilvy is the kind of performer with an instinctive understanding of dramatic pace and timing, who can easily hold an audience in the palm of her hand."

Praise indeed from the entertainment industry's top newspaper and reason enough to catch the show on tour from autumn 2009 and throughout 2010.

The Crossing opens at York Theatre Royal on November 23rd and 24th. For full tour dates and times, go to www.rachelogilvy.co.uk.

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