

PRESS RELEASE 1ST June 2009: Gay Stripper joins cast of Musical

College Boy, voted 2009 Stripper of the Year by the readers of the gay weekly, **Boyz**, is branching out by joining the cast of Homo Promos' "*Here I'll Stay*", the new biographical musical about German-American composer Kurt Weill. Weill was responsible for such hits as Mack the Knife, September Song, and My Ship and had several hit shows on Broadway after the Nazis forced him to flee his own country. "Lady and the Dark" was revived at the National Theatre in 1997.

For Titus Rowe, the man behind College Boy, this represents a return to his roots, since he became a stripper almost by accident. He says "I started out my career as an actor, but after some minor television and theatre roles I parted company with my agent. A few months later I ended up performing (drunkenly) in an amateur strip contest in one of my local gay pubs. Six years later here I am, having performed nationally and internationally, and immensely proud to have been voted Boyz Stripper of the Year 2009."

"To move back to my roots with *Here I'll Stay* makes me very happy as my heart has always lain with the theatre. I'm also pleased to be working with Homo Promos, which is a gay company, as I am gay myself. It is my hope that I shall find a new theatrical agent and maybe spend more time on stage with some clothes on...."

Director Peter Scott-Presland, who also compiled the show, commented, "Titus doesn't need to take his clothes off to make a hit with an audience. He has a terrific voice, and a great presence on stage. He's singing at least three show-stoppers, I guarantee it."

"Here I'll Stay" runs at the Rosemary Branch Theatre, 2 Shepperton Rd, N1 3DJ from July 7th – 26th. Bookings Line 020 7704 6665.

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