YOU DON'T HAVE TO FEAR THE MONSTER...

Be A Wolf Brings the Monster to Edinburgh
Fayetteville State University Theatre Makes Fringe Debut with Bold New Work

FAYETTEVILLE, NC, USA – June 2025 – Fear doesn't always come from what's outside the door. Sometimes, it's what's waiting inside.

Be A Wolf, an original production written by Merlyn Q. Sell and directed by Jeremy Fiebig, makes its international debut at the 2025 Edinburgh Festival Fringe—presented by the student-led team from Fayetteville State University (FSU), a public HBCU (Historically Black College and University) in North Carolina, USA.

Set inside a mysterious hall where a group waits out the night, **Be A Wolf** is a dark comedy about fear, identity, and what happens when the stories we tell to feel safe start to unravel. Tensions rise as uncertainty creeps in—not just about what might be outside, but what might be emerging within. It's unsettling, witty, and unexpectedly resonant—offering a fresh take on what it means to become the very thing you once feared.

"This is more than just a performance," says director Jeremy Fiebig. "It's a chance for our students to represent Fayetteville and FSU on a global platform. They are not only acting in the show—they're designing, marketing, and producing it. Every step of this journey is a learning opportunity."

Be A Wolf is performed entirely by students from FSU Theatre, many of whom have never traveled outside the U.S. before. The opportunity to perform at Fringe marks a major milestone—not just for the individuals involved, but for the university and region they represent.

The production is part of the International Collegiate Theatre Festival (ICTF) at Fringe, and Fayetteville State University is the only HBCU on the ICTF stage in 2025.

Performances run 1 August-5 August at the Space @Venue 45. Tickets and more information are available at BeAWolf Play.com

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