



AN INVITATION . . .



An Invitation from Jericho House Productions to a Jacobean masque  
'LOVE FREED FROM IGNORANCE  
AND FOLLY'

By Ben Jonson

TUESDAY 1 MARCH 2011 from 7PM til late

The JERICHO HOUSE in collaboration with dancers from THE ROYAL BALLET is delighted to invite you to a once in a lifetime event.

For one night only, join us in celebrating the 400th anniversary of this extraordinary Ben Jonson masque written in 1611 and not performed since.

We are delighted that Dame Emma Kirkby will be performing with dancers from the Royal Ballet, Company XIV, and an ensemble of celebrated classical actors. We will give you a real flavour of a Jacobean masque as it would have been 400 years ago. Guests will also enjoy a lavish 1611 feast, accurate and delicious down to the last detail.

Four hundred years ago the most innovative and talked-about drama was found not in the theatre of Shakespeare and Marlowe, but in the court masques. Masques were multimedia spectacles, magical mixtures of music, design, feasting, audience interaction and straight performance lasting four or five hours. They were the talk of all Europe.

The evening's entertainment will take place at Wilton's, the world's oldest Music Hall and one of London's hidden gems.

This event is in aid of the Jericho House theatre company's *1611 Utopia Season*. Proceeds from the night will go to support *Into Thy Hands*, a co-production with Wilton's, and a new production of *The Tempest*, as part of BITE 2011.

# WILTON'S

The City's hidden stage

*"Wilton's is a magical mix of the profane and the sacred"*

**The Independent**

Jericho House is a theatre company established by director Jonathan Holmes in 2007 that specialises in creating inventive relationships between theatre, music and performance space.



*"Brilliant cutting edge theatre. An exceptional audience experience."*

Jon Snow

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