

## **AT THE EDINBURGH FESTIVAL FRINGE**

The 2006 Edinburgh Fringe, the world's largest arts festival now in its 60th year has an estimated 16,990 performers in 261 venues presenting 28,014 performances of 1,867 shows, more than a third of which are world premieres.

Jim Henson's Puppet Improv, Puppet Up!, performed in the festival's most impressive venue – the Assembly Theatre on the mound – and its 30 shows were highlighted by critical acclaim and sold out performances.

### **WHAT PEOPLE ARE SAYING ABOUT PUPPET UP! featuring the Henson Puppet Improv Company**

*"These brilliant American puppeteers are seducing all they meet...the apparently effortless technical excellence is matched only by some of the quickest and wickedest humor in town."*

**The Telegraph (UK)**

*"Does anyone really want to see x-rated puppets? YES WE DO!"*

**The Late Late Show with Craig Ferguson, CBS**

*"Five Stars...Brilliantly funny."*

**The Evening News (UK)**

*"Four Stars...It is a truth universally acknowledged that jokes about gay cowboy donkeys in love are much funnier when performed by a rabbit puppet, a squirrel puppet and a dirty old man puppet"*

**The Scotsman (Scotland,UK)**

*"Four Stars...the puppeteering and vocal action of these guys is second to none."*

**The List (Scotland, UK)**

*"One to Watch"*

**BBC News Online**

*"The puppeteers' quick-wit and nothing-is-taboo attitude make this show a riot of very wrong things."*

**The Stage**