

**DINNER FOR ONE**  
**Bakehouse Theatre**

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It is Miss Sophie's birthday and she's holding a dinner party with her closest friends who – unfortunately – are all dead. However, her faithful butler, James, keeps the tradition alive. 'Same procedure as last year Miss Sophie?' 'Same procedure as every year James.' The role of James was made famous by English comedian, Freddie Frinton. Done well, it is physical comedy at its best.

Eclipse Production's version now being performed at the Bakehouse Theatre was written by Lauri Wylie and directed by Benjamin Johnson. Brendan Cooney does an excellent job as the hapless butler for the 20minute length of the play. Freddie would have approved. My only criticism is that Ann Clarke, as Sophie, was not old enough for the role, although she did a good job as the 'foil' for James. While her makeup which was used to age her was done well, it was very obvious in an intimate theatre space.

What a delightful show "Dinner for One" is. The plotline is simple and repetitive and well worth 20 minutes spent in the theatre.

Rating: 4.5 stars (out of 5)