

## Magical opening at Figur i Fossekleiva

Les Sages Fous delivered a life trip in a bewitching hour.

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- Magic, was the first word Adrian Langum Øyen said after witnessed the opening show of FiF. I fully agree, after seeing Les Sages Fous's latest performance that was shown on Thursday in Fossekleiva. Figur i Fossekleiva has been organized for the second year, and the artistic director Franzisca Aarflot has received quite a reputation within the genre in a short period of time.

### Tricycle

Les Sages Fous are from Quebec in Canada, they have performed their performances in 27 countries. On Thursday they visited Fossekleiva with a whole new performance.

- We want to invite the audience to accompany us in the creation process. The first twenty-some performances really fine-tune a show, and we would greatly appreciate audience feedback afterwards. In short, the idea is of a man who pulls his life behind his bike in a trailer full of his dream and nightmares. Switch off your logical sense and let yourself go, was South Miller's suggestion before the performance.



The performance Tricycle lasts about an hour, where Jacob Brindamour, in perfect timing with the music, delivers a life trip without words. The show is full of symbolism and uses simple, but striking effects. Using various objects, many facets of life were shown from birth to death. Dreams and nightmares sprung from memories, which may be real or imagined, as the years are many.

### Magic in Fossekleiva

"The artistic level that Franzisca Aarflot has gained at this festival is just incredibly high, so I try to absorb up as much as I can. I almost have a hard time believing that it is really happening here in Fossekleiva at Berger!" says Adrian Aksel Langum Øyen.

He was born and raised at Berger, and is himself educated in performing arts, and is most known for his role as Baste in the Good Purpose of 2016. At present, the young man is up performing in a show about the great war at the Oslo school museum.

- So, unfortunately, I do not get to see everything at the festival. But I was at the workshop on Wednesday with Les Sages Fous. There we worked with objects and body physics. Creating life in the inanimate material to make a puppet, starting with our own body.

"And seeing the performance today was just magic and how they use the simple effects to make such a bewitching world that we get drawn into is impressive," continues Adrian Aksel Langum Øyen.