

## **Andy Doherty**

Andy is an actor and has performed professionally on both stage and screen. He holds a BA in Drama & Theatre from Queen's University Belfast and is an alumnus of the Lyric's Drama Studio. It was during his studies that he began writing, taking part in script workshops with playwright Lucy Thurber and director Catriona McLaughlin. After a period of time spent travelling, Andy has now returned to Northern Ireland keen to pursue his twin careers as an actor and a writer.

## **About *Closed Shutters***

Today is Friday: Michelle's benefit day. It's Christmas week, and Ed and Spark are in their 'spot', hustling and joshing and sniping; doing anything to pass the time until Michelle comes through with the cash. Over the course of the evening, their uneasy alliance is pushed to its limits as they discover what it really takes to survive on the streets. A tragedy played out in plain sight, under the glare of florescent Christmas lights. Inspired by real events.