

The Rat Pack presents... – PRESS RELEASE EDINBURGH FESTIVAL FRINGE 2016

Time Out Critics Choice The Rat Pack stand-up comedy with a series of distinct comedy shows including 'Who Fru It?!' where the audience get to chuck tomatoes at top comedians!

Time Out Critics Choice and Edinburgh Fringe sell out hit 2013-2015 returns to the Edinburgh Festival Fringe with a series of inspiring and distinct stand-up comedy shows with top comedians. A different show every day with different formats:

Mon/Tue we have 'The Rat Pick' our pick of the best shows from the Fringe with snippets from their shows including Fringe sensations Spencer Jones, Lucy Porter, Sarah Callaghan and Patrick Monahan.

Wednesdays is a show called 'Say What?!' - improvised sets from the audiences suggestions with the best improvisers in Edinburgh including regular Trevor Lock.

Thu-Sun is our '3 and easy' show where we have simply 3 of the best acts on the Fringe doing extended sets - includes Chris Turner, Phil Nichol, Andrew Doyle, Mark Dolan, Rachel Parris, Damian Clark, Stephen Carlin and David Mills.

And on **Sunday 21st Aug** it's **Who Fru It?!** a show where the audience get to chuck tomatoes at the comedians... This started as a joke idea on social media, but got such support from comedians and critics alike that it's become a reality! Legend has it that tomatoes were tossed at actors at Shakespeare's Globe Theatre, though they weren't around in the 16th Century - but they definitely are now! Rotten tomatoes have been used by audiences throughout history to show dissatisfaction at performers, and for us the custom has been wrongly forgotten! The splat of a tomato on a performers face is such a lovely way for the audience and the comedian to connect(!), so we are bringing it back to the Edinburgh Festival Fringe this year! And who knows, this could become a Festival tradition! Consider the village of Buñol, Spain, where folklore has it that angry citizens once tossed tomatoes at their councilmen. Today, those protests are commemorated every year at La Tomatina, a festival where attendees hurl over 100 tons of tomatoes at each other.

"Classy stand-up show. Laid-back, cheesy, joyful fun and a wonderfully friendly vibe" **Time Out**

Edinburgh Festival Fringe
Cabaret Voltaire (main room), Blair Street
4th-28th Aug 4pm (60mins) with Who Fru It?! Sun 21st Aug 4pm
Tickets FREE (pay what you like on way out)

www.theratpack.co.uk/edinburgh for more info on this show

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