

JAMES BARR
THIRST
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EDINBURGH FRINGE
LAUGHING HORSE, THE COUNTING HOUSE
THURSDAY 2 – TUESDAY 14 AUGUST 2018

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PREVIEW SHOW AT HACKNEY SHOWROOM SOLD OUT

“A riotous no-holds-barred guide to 21st century dating as a gay man. Unapologetically honest and brilliantly hilarious, James's debut stand-up show is an absolute triumph”

The Sun

“Rip-roaringly funny and ridiculously relatable”

Heat

“Fun, fruity and frank... he really does raise the, ahem, Barr”

Attitude



James Barr, co-host of the UK's leading, comedy award-winning LGBTQ+ podcast 'A Gay and a NonGay', MTV presenter and Attitude Magazine columnist, will present his first ever solo stand-up show 'Thirst Trap' at **The Counting House** during this year's **Edinburgh Fringe Festival**, from **Thursday 2 – Tuesday 14 August 2018**.

'Thirst Trap' is a show like no other. James hates being single, and thinks dating in 2018 is a disaster, so he's counting on audience participation to help him find the one. Over the course of a hilarious 60 minutes, James confesses his ridiculous dating disasters, his disdain for Disney, and reveals why it's basically foreplay to finger an avocado. He'll also go deep into the psychology of App dating, focusing on our obsession with finding the perfect person and the irrational quest for happiness through hook-ups and superficial crushes. Audience members also get the chance to join James on stage for a speed date as he swipes the audience to find his betrothed.

James has recently performed a 3-night room-packed run of 'Thirst Trap', and his Fringe preview show on **Thursday 19 July** at London's **Hackney Showroom** has already sold out. So, whether you're single, coupled-up, or holding hands around Holyrood Park, make sure to enter James Barr's 'Thirst Trap' this August for an unmissable hour of entertainment from one of the UK's brightest new stars.

No stranger to the Fringe stage, earlier in the year, James and his 'A Gay and a NonGay' co-host **Dan Hudson** (BBC) recorded a live episode of their hit podcast to a sold-out audience in Brighton. They bring 'A Gay and a NonGay' to this year's Edinburgh Fringe for two nights from **Thursday 16 – Friday 17 August**.

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NOTES TO EDITORS:

About James Barr

James Barr is a comedian, TV, radio presenter, columnist, podcast host and ambassador for Student Pride. At MTV News, James' updates regularly hit 1M views+. He's hosted live events across the UK (including Isle Of Wight Festival, Brighton & Manchester Pride), performed at the prestigious UCB Del Close improv marathon in New York City, as well as hosting hit LGBTQ+ comedy podcast 'A Gay and A NonGay'.

James also has 10 years of broadcast experience behind him (Capital FM, Heat Radio, Galaxy FM). He's presented a comedy music show, BRITs red carpet content, judged on the BBC's 'Eurovision: You Decide', appeared in BBC Three's 'I'm Coming Out' and Comedy Central's 'Room 404'. He currently presents 'Hits Party' every Friday night on the UK's new national station Hits Radio and also writes a music column for the UK's most popular Gay magazine, Attitude.

About 'A Gay and a NonGay'



A Gay & A NonGay was born two years ago and has steadily grown to become the UK's leading LGBTQ+ podcast, winning the Bronze Award for 'Best Comedy' and the British Podcast Awards 2018. Released weekly, James Barr and Dan Hudson tackle issues from day to day life, differences in perceptions, homophobia, coming out, mental health and lighter topics like dating and Dan learning all about douching!

With critical acclaim from MTV, The Guardian, Radio Times and TimeOut, plus iTunes and Spotify features in both the UK & USA, co-hosts James and Dan regularly hit number one on iTunes sexuality chart. The weekly podcast has also landed on Virgin Atlantic's in-flight entertainment system Vera.

