

Edinburgh Fringe 2018: Comedy

Olaf Falafel: There's no i in idiot

Laughing Horse @ The Pear Tree 2 - 26 August (not 14) @ 2:45pm except 21 -25 @ 12:15pm

'A wonderful hour of professional silliness' The List

Critically acclaimed idiot and author, **Olaf Falafel** is back with another hour of surreal stupidity, inventive jokes, audience participation and the very loosest of themes. You'll laugh, you'll be confused, you'll enjoy most of it.

Ouija boards and workplace morale-boosting dolphins feature heavily, and Olaf personally guarantees your money back if you actually learn something of any use.

There's no i in idiot is the follow up to *The Marmosets of My Mind* and Falafel's awardnominated debut hour, *Olaf Falafel and the Cheese of Truth*. It explores the stranger recesses of Olaf's head via a blend of stand up, audience interaction, projected video stuff and domestic cleaning products.

'Falafel has a talent for the tangential with the ruthlessness and timing of any talented standup'

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As well as finding comedic success onstage (Leicester Square New Comedian 2015 Finalist, Laughing Horse New Act of the Year 2014 runner up, Fosters Golden Jester 2013 winner), Falafel has also enjoyed online and TV fame on Daniel Toshs' Comedy Central show Tosh.0 with his short viral videos.

Olaf's highly successful absurdist movies include a croissant-coiffured <u>talking Donald Trump pup-</u> <u>pet</u> (retweeted over 19,000 times, with 23 million views), slices of <u>truth telling cheese</u> being thrown onto newspapers and the <u>Bee Gees hiding in beards</u>. Olaf **enjoys an average of over 500 retweets a day** for his comedic output and has had over 75 million views on the former social media platform Vine.

The comedy website Chortle affectionately described Falafel as 'an idiot' and when he doesn't have a microphone in his hand you'll find him with a pencil and pad working on his series of children's books aimed at his intellectual equals. Falafel hit the headlines by securing publishing's fastest ever picture book deal (via one Tweet) for his semi-autobiographical masterpiece *Old MacDonald Heard A Fart*. This was followed up by *Father Christmas Heard A Fart* and will be joined by a pumping new title soon.

'Quirkily eccentric... combining modern technology with old-fashioned idiocy' The Scotsman

> **'A barrage of absurdist humour and sharp one-liners'** Ed Fringe Review

> > 'Refreshingly odd' iNews

'Silly enough to make you feel like an eight-year-old child all over again' Broadway Baby

'Olaf Falafel is like a chocolate digestive – very moreish. One of my favourites.' Bruce Dessau

'He's like Thor but way funnier and with a smaller hammer.' Tony Law

'Olaf Falafel is an idiot, and wouldn't have it any other way' Steve Bennett, Chortle

Full Listing:

Title: Olaf Falafel: There's no i in idiot Venue: Laughing Horse @ The Pear Tree Venue number: 257 EdFringe link: https://tinyurl.com/ycv737ta Tel: 0131 220 0125 Dates: August 3 - 27 August (not 15) Reviewers invited from: 4th August Time: 2 - 26 August (not 14) @ 2:45pm - except 21-25 @ 12:15pm Age: 16+ Duration: 1 Hour Entry: Free (Donations)

Previews include:

Wed 27th June: Tringe Festival Sat 14th July: Guildford Fringe Wed 28th July: Albany London

Web: www.olaffalafel.com

Twitter: @OFalafel

Footage:

HobNob joke: https://tinyurl.com/ycqgkor6

Spaghetti joke: https://tinyurl.com/ybeszu7n

Images: https://tinyurl.com/y7tobhjo

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