Paul Dance, Chris Gau and Hen & Chickens Theatre present...



# Henry von Stifle: Working Class Hero (With a Valet)

# Hen & Chickens Theatre, London October 21 and 22 @ 19:30

"Jeeves and Wooster if played by Vic and Bob. Fantastic!"

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National treasure, historian, humanitarian and amateur hairdresser, **Henry von Stifle** (Paul Dance) has taken it upon himself to make the Great British Public 8.7% more intelligent with just his brainpower, charm and trusted valet **Spencer Mulgrew** (Chris Gau). After yet another dinner party where he had to explain the differences between a mint and a polar bear for over three hours, Henry came to the realisation that the British public were getting far stupider. So Henry has set out on a mission to make his audiences more intelligent with the aid of historical lectures, valeting, songs, a world record attempt involving a toaster and other such carefully pre-planned fun.

Henry Von Stifle is silly, nonsense fun in the best parlour games tradition. Stiff drinks are optional. RSVPs preferred.

"Has audiences in stiches from the start"

#### **Comedy Sketchbox**

Paul Dance and Chris Gau have both been performing on the comedy circuit for three years and as a double act for over a year, bringing Henry Von Stifle: Working Class Hero (With A Valet) to London after a successful Edinburgh Fringe run. The duo also feature in the popular comedy night Quiz Pump.

**Paul Dance** began performing at an early age and earned a degree in musical theatre in 1996. His main passion was always comedy, but due to drug and motivational problems only began to realise his ideas in 2011 as the character Henry Von Stifle. When not performing as Henry Von Stifle, Paul also makes numerous appearances in other comedy shows and will soon be appearing in **Mr. Susie's Last Chance Cabaret** at the Soho Theatre.

**Chris Gau** has been performing comedy for exactly 3.678 years (and counting) as both a stand up and a character comic. After his first gig saw him through to the **BBC Comedy Awards in 2011** he got the bug for performing and hasn't looked back. When Chris is not improvising a whole hour's comedy in his Fringe show *Who is Mr Kirby?* or on valet duty with Henry Von Stifle, he is tearing up and down the country doing gigs, including as resident MC at **TNT Comedy** in Kentish Town.

Chris can also be found writing short films and sitcom scripts. His film *Bin Day* made the Official Selection at the **LA Comedy Shorts** and another film, *Screen Grab*, was shortlisted for this year's **BAFTA sponsored Reed Short Film Competition**. Chris has also had an extensive career as a DJ in his own right, and as part of West London outfit and production team **The Jinks** who are signed to major house music record label **Defected Records**.

## Full listing:

Title: Henry Von Stifle: Working Class Hero (With a Valet)

**Venue:** Hen & Chickens Theatre, Saint Paul's Road, London N1 2NA 020 7354 8246

http://unrestrictedview.co.uk/page/venue.php?id=1

Tickets: £5 from http://tinyurl.com/qx43z25

Dates: Monday 20<sup>th &</sup> Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> October, 2014 Time: 19:30 Age: 16+ Duration: 1 hour

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