



Nasty Women on the Fringe: Sajeela Kershi and Friends

Guests include: Ayesha Hazarika, Lucy Porter, Shazia Mirza, Yuriko Kotani, Viv Groskop, Juliet Meyers, Rosie Wilby, Susan Murray, Jane Hill, Pippa Evans, Janey Godley, Jo Jo Sutherland, Kate Smurthwaite, Desiree Birch, Jenny Collier, Kelly D Hunter, Jing Lusi, Bisha K Ali and more

Laughing Horse @ Newsroom, Edinburgh

August 3 - 27 (Not the 7, 14 or 21) at 8.45pm

'In the cultural potpourri of Edinburgh Fringe Festival, Kershi has a voice. And, going by the number of people attending her shows, the message is getting through'

The Telegraph (India)

[Images](#) [Trailer](#)

Did you support the #WomensMarch? Then the only place to march to this August is at this female-led show! A rotating line-up of talented, award-winning, critically acclaimed guests who are the the 'nastiest' women of this years Fringe. Kicking ass and kicking back at anyone advocating #Walls #Bans #Hate. Sample a smorgasbord from all genres (including comedy, improv, theatre and cabaret et al, with a political/ feminist bite) with a chilled backstage vibe - hear performers vent their spleen about the state of the world to all things Edinburgh, hosted by the nasty woman herself, Sajeela Kershi.

'Spirit of the fringe'

★★★★ ThreeWeeks

Sajeela has been performing stand-up internationally since 2006, infamously getting her big break starring in Brendon Burns's 2007 **Edinburgh Comedy Award-winning** show, *So I Suppose This is Offensive Now?* which played in venues across the UK such as the Pleasance Grand Edinburgh, The Garrick Theatre, The Soho Theatre and The Duchess Theatre where the DVD was recorded. She made her Edinburgh Fringe solo debut in 2009 and was **Hackney Empire New Act Award Finalist** in 2011. In 2015 she won the **Asian Women of Achievement Award for Arts and Culture**, the **Angel Award for Artistic Excellence** and the **Chortle Award for Best Comedy Club** for the second time. She has been voted as one of the Huffington Post's **Top 50 Funniest Women to Follow on Twitter** (@SajeelaKershi).

Aside from stand-up, Sajeela was commissioned to write and perform a series of four comedy monologues for BBC Radio Scotland around the theme of holidays and recently wrote for a Muslim/Jewish collaborative sketch pilot for BBC Radio 4 comedy. Earlier this year Sajeela was commissioned by Southbank Centre's Alchemy to devise and write a spoken word theatre show ***Mother Tongues From Father Lands*** which was performed as part of the Alchemy roadshow to great acclaim. She is a regular on BBC London 94.9, BBC Asian Network, BBC Surrey, BBC Sussex, LBC and was featured on Clive Anderson's BBC Radio 4 show, ***Loose Ends***, BBC Scotland's ***The Kaye Adams Programme*** as well as making television appearances on Comedy Central and ITV2's *Comedy Cuts*, ITV's ***The Big Debate*** with Nina Hossain among other things. Sajeela also contributed to and appears in the UK's first ever daily viral topical comedy show, ***Britain's Got People*** - brainchild of BAFTA Award-winner Dave Cohen.

Praise for Sajeela and her shows:

'Intelligent, inspiring and empowering'

★★★★★ - **CultureVulture**

'Hugely talented, extremely funny, divine diva'

Time Out

'The woman is simply a treasure. Magnetic, lovable and enormously witty, she's like Claire Rayner scripted by Kenneth Williams'

The Spectator

'Smart, funny, with a Mischievous glint'

The Times

'Incidental digressions, sharpness of wit and ad libbing in her Joanna Lumley cut-glass vowels will be more than worth it...be quick to discover Edinburgh's best kept secret!'

The Stage

'Extremely funny and provoking stand-up'

Three Weeks

'This show is far more than stand up comedy... catch it at all costs'

★★★★★ **Remote Goat**

'Brutally honest intimacy, frank self-deprecation and boundary pushing observational humour'

★★★★★ **Fresh Air Radio**

'Ever changing, ever entertaining show'

Kate Copstick, Scotland on Sunday

Winner of Argus Angel Award for Artistic Excellence

Nominated Brighton & Hove Independent best home grown talent

Full Listing:

Title: Nasty Women on the Fringe: Sajeela Kershi and Friends

Venue: Laughing Horse @ The Newsroom, 5-11 Leith Street, EH1 3AT

Tel: 0131 557 5830

Web: <https://tickets.edfringe.com/whats-on/nasty-woman-on-the-fringe-sajeela-Kershi-and-friends>

Dates: August 3 - 27 (Not 7, 14 or 21)

Time: 8.45pm

Reviewers welcome from: August 4

Duration: 1 hour

Entry: Free (Donations)

Age: 18+

For images: <https://www.dropbox.com/sh/xkgaar1pot94ast/AABnyKnLO81LOeAK-tk18ExIXa?dl=0>

Trailer: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uPDfrop9-Ao&feature=youtu.be>

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Please note:

*Sajeela will also be appearing in **Fights Like A Girl!** at Laughing Horse @ The Hanover Tap August 3-27 (Not 7, 14 or 21) @ 6.15pm*

*and in storytelling show **Immigrant Diaries** at The Stand Comedy Club, August 4 - 13 @ 3pm*