

Edinburgh Fringe 2022: Comedy



Bilal Zafar: CARE

Underbelly: Jersey

3rd – 25th August @ 5.30pm

‘Delivers big laughs.’

Brian Logan, The Guardian

As seen/heard on his very successful Twitch channel, BBC1, BBC2, Channel 4 and BBC Radio, the Edinburgh Fringe Comedy Awards Best Newcomer nominee and New Act of the Year (NATYS) award winner, **Bilal Zafar** returns with a brand-new show about how he spent a year working in a care home for very wealthy people.

Fresh out of university with a media degree, Bilal was dropped into the real world where he was given minimum wage and far too much responsibility for a 21-year-old that had just spent three years watching films. Learning on the fly, Bilal's diet of films ended up coming in handy as he had to negotiate between agitated residents and fellow care workers in hostage-style situations, account for AWOL patients and move letters around a giant Scrabble board.

‘Witty and absorbing...highly entertaining. I look forward to whatever Zafar cooks up next.’
Dominic Maxwell, The Times

Bilal Zafar was nominated for Best Newcomer at the Edinburgh Fringe 2016 and won the Hackney Empire New Act Award (NATYS) in the same year. He has taken three solo shows to Edinburgh and toured them around the UK including runs at London's Soho Theatre. In 2020, he became a Twitch star as he created a surreal comedy series about an unhinged football manager called HOT PEPPSY. He has also appeared in Paul Feig's film 'Last Christmas' acting alongside Emma Thompson and Emilia Clarke. He has also appeared on BBC1, BBC2, Channel 4, BBC Radio 4 and has written for the Guardian.

'Bilal Zafar isn't using Twitch like anyone else, he's turning it into something very new.'
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'Fascinating and hilarious in equal measure.'
Ian Jones, i-D

'A natural storyteller with a very likeable stage presence.'
★★★★★ Patrick Dalziel, Shortcom

'Zafar really delivers on the absurdity of an escalating social media farce running in parallel with growing prejudice and tensions, joyously exposing the stupidity on all sides.'
★★★★ Ben Venables, The Skinny

'Endearing, relaxed and naturally funny...hilarious.'
★★★★ Emily Phillips, EdFest Mag

IMAGES VIA THIS LINK

<https://www.dropbox.com/sh/vcv4p5c2uiwf76c/AAAgWLASqymM2KeVs2fiKILGa?dl=0>

Social media links:

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Listing:

Title: Bilal Zafar: CARE

Venue: Underbelly: Jersey

Link: <https://www.underbellyedinburgh.co.uk/events/event/bilal-zafar>

Fringe Venue Number: 302

Dates: 3 – 25th Aug

Press from: 4 August

Time: 5.30pm

Age: 16+

Duration: 60 minutes

Entry: From £7

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